



Community Engagement NEWSLETTER PAC District 3

“To keep the city safe is a fundamental task of a city’s streets and its sidewalks.”
Jane Jacobs (1916-2006), American-Canadian urbanist, writer, and activist.

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Friends!

You are invited to our May 3rd Thanksgiving in Spring event in downtown Durham. Come and sit at North Carolina’s longest dinner table, ride your bike in the bike parade and march in the lantern parade (Illuminate Durham)! We’re very excited about this regional partnership and resident-driven event.

WE NEED YOUR HELP TO MAKE THIS A SUCCESS!

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911 Center Non-Emergency Number

Barking dogs, loud music, burglaries occurring hours or days earlier and vandalism to public or private property are just a few examples of the types of calls that can now be reported to Durham’s new, non-emergency phone number.

The new number, **(919) 560-4600**, was established by the Durham Emergency Communication Center (DECC) to free up 911 lines for life threatening or in-progress emergencies.

Report code violations, call Durham One Call! 919.560.1200

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... working together for a better Durham

Durham Debuts Youth Financial Literacy Series

Series Commemorates the U.S. Conference of Mayors DollarWise Month

Durham is helping its youth prepare for the future by giving them the tools they need to understand their finances.

Developed to help commemorate the U.S. Conference of Mayor's DollarWise Month, the City of Durham's Office of Economic and Workforce Development has created "Give Some, Save Some, Spend Some, Grow Some," a series of financial literature pieces created for teens to help them learn how to do just that. The series covers every aspect of what to do with take-home pay and how to give, save, spend, and invest wisely.

Youth in attendance at next week's Durham YouthWork Internship Program Job Fair on Tuesday, April 15 will be given information about this series and have the opportunity to attend a financial literacy presentation provided by the State Employees' Credit Union.

Information on the "Give Some, Save Some, Spend Some, Grow Some" financial series can also be found at http://durhamnc.gov/ich/cb/oewd/Pages/Youth_Resources.aspx or by contacting Employment Program Coordinator Esther Coleman with the City's Office of Economic and Workforce Development at (919) 560-4965, ext. 15209 or by email at Esther.Coleman@DurhamNC.gov.

For more information about the Durham YouthWork Internship Program, visit <http://durhamnc.gov/ich/cb/oewd/Pages/Summer-Youth-Works-Program-Durham.aspx>.

Durham Hosts Landlord Training Workshop May 15

*Monthly Workshop to Help Landlords Effectively Manage Properties and
Halt Illegal Activity;
Pre-Registration Deadline May 15*

What: May 2014 Landlord Training Workshop

Who: City of Durham Neighborhood Improvement Services Department, Durham Police Department, Solid Waste Management Department, Public Works Department Stormwater & GIS Services Division, Water Management Department, and the Durham City/County Planning Department. Other sponsors include Durham Housing Authority and Legal Aid of North Carolina, Inc.

When: Thursday, May 15, 2014, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Where: City of Durham Neighborhood Improvement Services Department
Main Conference Room
807 E. Main St., Suite 2-300
Durham, N.C. 27701

Fast Facts:

- The Landlord Training Workshop is specifically designed to assist landlords, property managers, resident managers, and any others who are actively involved in managing rental housing. The Landlord Training Workshop is conducted on the third Thursday of every month as part of the Proactive Rental Inspection Program to provide regular training opportunities to help landlords become more effective property managers.
- This monthly workshop will demonstrate effective property management practices to significantly contribute to safe and decent housing as well as provide successful techniques on how to halt illegal activity on rental properties. Workshop topics will include how to build landlord, renter, homeowner, and business relationships; applicant screening techniques; rental agreements and fair housing issues; management techniques; the eviction process; how to achieve a stable, satisfied tenant base; how to maintain property to habitable standards; City code enforcement; Proactive Rental Inspection Ordinance (PRIP); and the Property Management Entrepreneurs Program Plan (PMEP).
- The cost to attend is \$10 per person and includes workshop materials. Seating is limited. Attendees may pay by check or money order before Monday, May 12, 2014.
- Interested participants may contact Lynwood Best, community engagement manager with the City's Neighborhood Improvement Services Department, at (919) 560-1647, ext. 34254 or by email at Lynwood.Best@DurhamNC.gov.

Department of Neighborhood Improvement Services

Code Enforcement Activities District 3
Items that have been cited for the month
of **March 2014**

1 Vehicle inspections

9 Weedy lot & junk and debris inspections

1 PRIP

0 Abatement

5 Residential

1 Non-Residential

17 Total initial inspections

40 Re-inspections

57 Total inspections

31 Cases brought in to compliance

42 Pending Cases

You're Never Too Young For Identity Theft

Parents work hard to keep their kids safe, but there's a potential threat to your child's future you may not have even thought of: identity theft. While many adults are aware of the threat of identity theft and the need to protect their personal information, they may not realize that children can also be victims.

Though most children don't yet have credit reports, they're still at risk for having their identity stolen. If identity thieves get your child's Social Security Number, they can apply for loans, file for government benefits, and open fraudulent bank accounts or credit cards in your child's name.

A child whose identity has been stolen and misused may not know it until he or she becomes an adult and tries to get a loan for school or take out a credit card. By then, the damage may be done, leaving your child with a bad credit report just as they're starting out on their own.

Know the warning signs that your child's identity may have been stolen. Watch out for:

- Letters from the IRS saying your child owes income taxes.
- Collection calls and bills for services your child didn't apply for or receive.
- Your child gets turned down for government benefits because their Social Security Number is already in use with another account.

Spot any signs that your child is a victim of identity theft? Take action immediately. Check with one of the three major credit reporting bureaus to see if your child has a credit report. Credit bureaus don't usually keep files on children under age 13, but in some rare instances a child may have a legitimate reason to have a credit report. You're entitled to one free credit report per year from each of the three agencies at annualcreditreport.com.

If your child has no credit report, the credit bureaus won't have records for him or her. If there is difficulty locating your child's credit report when you try to check it, your child most likely doesn't have one, which is good.

But if your child does have a credit report, review it carefully. Request a fraud alert from the credit bureau if you spot anything on your child's report that shouldn't be there. If your child has a credit report but there isn't anything troubling on it, it's probably a good idea to freeze it to prevent problems. You can get a [security freeze for free](#) online under North Carolina law. Parents or legal guardians can only freeze existing credit reports.

You can also take simple steps to protect your child from becoming a victim of identity theft. Take extra care with documents that contain your child's personal information. Store them somewhere safe and never carry your child's Social Security card in your wallet. If someone requests your child's Social Security Number, ask why it is needed, whether or not it's truly necessary and how it will be kept safe.

Watch Out For Fake Tech Support

Phony help desk specialists are continuing to target North Carolina consumers. If you get a call or email from someone claiming to be from tech support, don't give that person access to your computer.

According to reports from consumers, the phony specialists claim to be with brand name software or computer companies. Instead, they're overseas con artists looking to steal your personal information.

They will tell you that your computer is malfunctioning or has a virus, then direct you to take a series of steps to fix the problem. Eventually, they will prompt you to download software or allow the phony specialist remote access to your computer. This will give the scammer access to all the data stored on your computer.

If you receive a call or email from someone who claims to be tech support, keep these tips in mind:

Never share personal information with someone you do not know who contacts you.

- Computer and software companies do not make unsolicited calls offering tech support.
- Never give someone control of your computer unless you can confirm who the person is. If you need tech support, contact the computer or software company directly.
- Be suspicious of emails that are poorly written, urgent, ask you for personal information or link to a website that does not match the organization it claims to be from.

In the past, North Carolina consumers [have reported a similar scam](#) where the con artist demands money for security software.

If you have received a phony tech support email or phone call, contact the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division. Call 1-877-5-NO-SCAM or file a consumer complaint online at www.ncdoj.gov.

[Durham Shred-a-Thon](#)

DATE: Saturday, May 03, 2014

LOCATION: Duke University Federal
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Main Street



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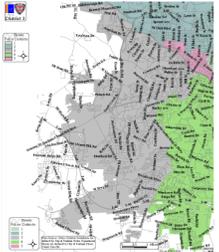


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Partners Against Crime District 3

Communities working together to find sustainable solutions to community crime and quality of life issues.

Join us!!
Second Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Community Family Life & Recreation Center at Lyon Park
1309 Halley Street, Durham, North Carolina 27707

Join our PAC 3 LISTSERV:
 • [Http://groups.yahoo.com/group/pac3](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/pac3)
 • Access recent and archived newsletter and minutes

- Post community and neighborhood alerts and criminal activity
- Keep informed about PAC 3, City and County of Durham government organized events and news.

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