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## Media Advisory

For Immediate Release: April 21, 2015

### **U.S Dept. of Justice Diagnostic Center Delivers Report to Help Reduce Violent Crime**

*Report Includes Improving Police-Community Relations*

- What:** Presentation of Diagnostic Analysis for the City of Durham
- Who:** U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs (OJP) Diagnostic Center
- When:** Wednesday, April 22, 2015, at 4 p.m.
- Where:** City Hall Committee Room  
101 City Hall Plaza, Second Floor  
Durham, N.C. 27701

**Fast Facts:**

- The City of Durham requested assistance from the OJP Diagnostic Center in reducing violent crime and gun violence as well as improving community-police relations. The City's request was instigated by recent increases in gun-related homicides and aggravated assaults, even as overall crime decreased.
- The resulting report and presentation set for tomorrow will identify and analyze the contributing factors to the issues identified in Durham; recommend evidence or practice-based solutions and promising practices that address these contributing factors; and inform the development of a response strategy to implement the recommended evidence-based solutions.

- News media are invited to attend the presentation and a mult-box will be provided. Copies of the presentation will also be provided.
- Additional inquiries should be directed to Senior Assistant to the City Manager Karmisha Wallace at (919) 560-4222, ext. 11228 or by email to [Karmisha.Wallace@DurhamNC.gov](mailto:Karmisha.Wallace@DurhamNC.gov).

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