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## News Release

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### Durham Offers Economic Forecasting Seminar

*Free FY14-15 Seminar Series Designed to Support Small Business Growth*

**What:** Economic Forecast for Small Business Development in Durham through 2016

**Who:** City of Durham Equal Opportunity and Equity Assurance Department

**When:** Thursday, May 14, 2015 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

**Where:** City Hall Council Chambers  
101 City Hall Plaza, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
Durham, N.C. 27701

**Fast Facts:**

- This free seminar, conducted by Senior Planner Aaron Cain with the Durham City/County Planning Department, will present an economic forecast for Durham through 2016. The seminar will look at expected business and industrial expansion during this timeframe as well as provide important information for business opportunity planning for both existing businesses and start-ups.
- Participants are asked to pre-register by visiting <http://bit.ly/1dLMwlg> or by contacting Senior Equal Opportunity/Equity Assurance Specialist Vincent Wingate at [Vincent.Wingate@DurhamNC.gov](mailto:Vincent.Wingate@DurhamNC.gov) or (919) 560-4180, extension 17241.

- This seminar series was developed by the City's Equal Opportunity and Equity Assurance Department to provide technical assistance services to local, small businesses for this fiscal year. For more information on the FY 14-15 Workshop Series for Small Businesses, visit <http://bit.ly/1zhXTM9>.

### **About the Equal Opportunity and Equity Assurance Department**

The City of Durham's [Equal Opportunity and Equity Assurance Department](#) is responsible for the implementation of the City's Equal Business Opportunity Program. Responsibilities include implementation of race and gender neutral measures to facilitate the participation of Small Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (SDBE) in City contracting activity, recruitment, certification, and maintenance of SDBE data bank, business development, City project compliance, monitoring, and reporting. Guided by the City's [Strategic Plan](#), the department ensures that its services support making Durham a great place to live, work, and play by focusing on a strong and diverse economy, assuring that City efforts are well managed, and supporting the stewardship of the City's physical assets.

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