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News Release

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Durham Hosts Women's Forum March 22

What: City of Durham 16th Annual Women's Forum in honor of National Women's History Month

Who: Human Relations Division with the City's Neighborhood Improvement Services Department

When: Thursday, March 22, 2018, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Where: City Hall Council Chambers, 101 City Hall Plaza, First Floor, Durham, N.C. 27701

Fast Facts:

- Three successful women will discuss various forms of discrimination that women commonly face and the resilience of women to thrive in spite of such inequities. Panelists include:
 - NC Coalition Against Domestic Violence Executive Director Dana Mangum
 - Professor and Author Dr. Yaba Blay
 - Durham County Board of Commissioners Chair Wendy Jacobs
- The forum, which is free and open to the public, will be moderated by La Noticia, Inc. CEO Hilda Gurdian. Event attendees will also have an opportunity to ask questions of the panelists followed by a catered meet-and-greet. To RSVP to attend visit the [Women's Forum event webpage](#).
- The forum will also be broadcast live on [Durham Television Network](#) (Spectrum channel 8, Frontier channel 70, and AT&T U-verse channel 99), [livestreamed](#) from the City's website, and will be available for on demand viewing after the forum on the City's [YouTube channel](#).
- For more information, contact Human Relations Manager James E. Davis, Jr. with the City's Neighborhood Improvement Services Department Human Relations Division by [email](#) or at 919-560-4107, ext. 34277.

About the City of Durham Neighborhood Improvement Services Department Human Relations Division

The [Neighborhood Improvement Services Department](#) works to preserve and improve quality of life conditions for Durham residents, and to encourage active participation in neighborhood redevelopment and public policy and decision-making dialogue. The department's [Human Relations Division](#) strives to improve race and human relations in the City by working to eliminate housing discrimination and by prioritizing community outreach and educational activities to meet the needs of Durham's residents.

The division is responsible for enforcement of the City's Fair Housing Ordinance and the federal Fair Housing Act. HUD provides funding annually for the division to investigate housing complaints that allege discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex (gender), religion, national origin, physical or mental handicap or familial status (families with children). The division also provides oversight to the City's [Human Relations Commission](#), which is comprised of residents who meet monthly to work on activities designed to improve human relations and promote harmony throughout Durham.

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