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# News Release

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## **2019 Durham City-County MLK, Jr. Observance Program Announced**

**Share!** #Durham City and County Governments to Host Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Program on Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>; keynote speaker Justice Anita Earls

DURHAM, N.C. – Honoring the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. is the purpose of the annual Durham City-County Martin Luther King, Jr. (MLK) Employee Observance Program. The 14<sup>th</sup> year celebration jointly-hosted by Durham’s local government organizations will take place on Tuesday, January 15, 2019. The program will begin at noon at First Presbyterian Church located at 305 E. Main Street in downtown Durham.

The newly sworn in North Carolina Supreme Court Justice Anita Earls will be the keynote speaker for this event. Justice Earls is a former civil rights attorney and professor. She is the founder and former executive director of the Southern Coalition for Social Justice.

The community is invited to enjoy the program which will also include remarks from local leaders and elected officials. The Durham City-County MLK Employee Choir will provide musical selections.

This program is free and open to the public. For more information about the program, contact the Durham County Manager’s Office at 919-560-0000 or email [publicinformationoffice@dconc.gov](mailto:publicinformationoffice@dconc.gov).

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