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# News Release

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## Operation Medicine Drop – March 22

The Durham Police Department, in partnership with Safe Kids North Carolina, will be holding Operation Medicine Drop on Friday, March 22 at four locations. Operation Medicine Drop allows people to safely and anonymously dispose of unused or expired over-the-counter and prescription medications.

The program's purpose is to educate the public on the dangers of pharmaceutical drug abuse and accidental poisonings as well as educate them on the responsible handling, security and destruction of prescription and over-the-counter medications.

Operation Medicine Drop will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on March 22 at the following locations:

- Russell Pharmacy, 2116 Angier Avenue
- CVS, 3573 Hillsborough Road
- Triangle Pharmacy/Ace Hardware, 1700 East NC Highway 54
- CVS, 1845 Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway

Officers at these locations will supervise the collection and maintain security of any collected materials. The collected materials will be destroyed in a safe and environmentally friendly manner.

The Durham Police Department also has two Operation Medicine Drop locations that are used throughout the year and all drop-offs may be done anonymously. DPD's Operation Medicine Drop boxes are at:

### **District 2 Substation**

5285 North Roxboro Road (lot of Eno Square Shopping Center)

Monday through Friday only, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Ring buzzer for assistance. Do not leave medicines at the door.

### **District 3 Substation**

#8 Consultant Place (near Wynnsong Movie Plaza)

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