

**Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN)**  
**Monthly Newsletter for the Durham Community**  
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**North Carolina Gun Law: Carrying Concealed Weapons** (N.C.G.S. 14-269)

It is against the law to willfully and intentionally carry a concealed firearm, on or about your person, while you are not on your own premises unless you have a concealed carry permit. This crime is a Class 2 misdemeanor. A second or subsequent offense is a Class I felony.

*Pocket-size cards detailing many North Carolina firearm statutes are available to the public by Project Safe Neighborhoods. Please call 560-4438 x29230 to request cards for your community or organization.*

**PSN Partners Spotlight: Durham Partners Against Crime (PACs)**

The Partners Against Crime program promotes collaboration among police officers, Durham residents, and city and county government officials to find sustainable solutions to community crime problems and quality of life issues. It is a community based volunteer organization that promotes and executes safety strategies to prevent crime at the neighborhood level. Each of Durham's five police districts has a Partners Against Crime group.

Please call your police district office for more information about the PAC in your area:

District 1 – 560-4281

District 2 – 560-4582

District 3 – 560-4583

District 4 – 560-4415

District 5 – 560-4935

**ONE SIMPLE THING YOU CAN DO to Prevent Gun Violence in Your Community: Immediately Report Missing or Stolen Firearms**

Though North Carolina law does not require gun owners or dealers to report missing or stolen firearms, it is strongly recommended that they do so. Contact your nearest law enforcement office immediately if your firearm is lost or stolen.

**Pointers for Parents: Signs of Gang Involvement**

Skipping school or missing work often

Sudden negative change in school performance

Speaks of needing protection and carries a weapon

Associates with new friends that parents don't know

Displays unexplained wealth, jewelry and clothing

Marks personal property with specific codes or symbols

Displays unexplained bruises, cuts, brands or tattoos

Expresses a preference for one color, or avoids certain colors

Unusual desire for privacy, time away from family. Refuses to take part in family activities.

Alcohol or drug abuse

No longer associates with old friends

Shows a strong disrespect for authority

Shows unusual moods or patterns of behavior

Graffiti on papers, walls, sheets

**PSN In Your Neighborhood:**

September 8: DHA Scattered Sites

September 10: *Gang Awareness Workshop for Parents* Workshop at Eastway Elementary

September 21: Drug Market Intervention Initiative Call-In

*Do you need help with an organization or community presentation regarding gun crime and violence? Call the Project Safe Neighborhoods Office at 560-4438 x29230.*