

PRESS RELEASE

Fentanyl Fatality Victim Summit ROBESON County, Pembroke NC

When: Saturday, September 21, 2024, 10:30am – 3:30pm. Doors open 10 AM

Where: Bear Swamp Baptist Church, 1948 St. Anna Road, Pembroke, NC

Who: Guest Speakers: Senator Britt, Representative Lowery, District Attorney Scott, Sheriff Wilkins & 40+ NC Fentanyl Victim Families available for on-site interviews

*****Private Event. Must pre-register. Press permitted with credentials. Free On-Site Lunch Provided*****

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CONTACTS

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PURPOSE

1. To SAVE LIVES!
2. Educational advocacy networking event for victim families and local leaders
3. Install Naloxone in ALL Schools: Change school district health policy
4. Spark public safety conversations: Say the word 'fentanyl' out loud without shame.
5. Discuss 'one & done' deaths: undisclosed fentanyl additives hidden in counterfeit pressed pills (Adderall, Xanax, Percocet)
6. Distribute life-saving naloxone and conduct training

FACTS

- 17,998 NC residents killed by fentanyl in 10 years (NC OCME)
- 7 out of 10 'street' pressed copy-cat pills contain lethal fentanyl additives (DEA 2023)
- 8 NC residents die each day (NC OCME) = 8 more devastated NC families each day
- Fentanyl is leading cause of death in NC for 18–25-year-olds (CDC 2022)
- 1,365 fentanyl fatalities occurred in Robeson(368), Cumberland(708), Columbus(96), Hoke(71), Bladen(65)and Scotland(57) in 10 years (source: NC State Center for Health Statistics, Vital Statistics Death Certificate Data)

LINKS to NC fentanyl fatality data. Go to **fentvic.org** website, select **RESOURCES** tab, select **NC County Reports**, select **County** you are interested in.

- **ROBESON:** https://fentanylvictimsnetworknc.org/wp-content/uploads/reports/Robeson_County.pdf
- **CUMBERLAND:** https://fentanylvictimsnetworknc.org/wp-content/uploads/reports/Cumberland_County.pdf
- **COLUMBUS:** https://fentanylvictimsnetworknc.org/wp-content/uploads/reports/Columbus_County.pdf
- **HOKE:** https://fentanylvictimsnetworknc.org/wp-content/uploads/reports/Hoke_County.pdf
- **BLADEN:** https://fentanylvictimsnetworknc.org/wp-content/uploads/reports/Bladen_County.pdf
- **SCOTLAND:** https://fentanylvictimsnetworknc.org/wp-content/uploads/reports/Scotland_County.pdf

ABOUT

- Fentvic.org is a charitable nonprofit located in Wake County NC. EIN #88-3921380
- Fentvic.org is an action-oriented grassroots nonprofit that promotes Public Safety, Education, Justice, Advocacy, and Support of NC fentanyl victim families in all 100 NC Counties

RULES: Non-partisan event. Treat victim families with dignity and respect. Victim photos/posters welcome. Avoid trigger word 'overdose.' No: political statements/ranting, helium balloons, banners, firearms, or alcohol.