



Timothy Wydra
Acting Chief of Police

Hamden Police - News Release

DATE: 09/11/22
CONTACT: Sean J. Dolan – Public Information Officer
PHONE: 203-230-4065
PIO #: 22-082

On Saturday, September 17, 2022, the Hamden Police Department will host a “Gun Buy Back” program at police headquarters. The event will take place on the top level of the HPD parking garage, 2900 Dixwell Avenue, from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

The purpose of this program is to provide residents and non-residents with a safe way to dispose of their unwanted firearms. The event is anonymous with no ID required. This venue will provide an opportunity for people to dispose of working firearms in an exchange for cash. The benefits of this program include:

- Preventing unwanted firearms from being stolen and used in the commission of a crime.
- To prevent an accidental discharge of a firearm that can cause serious injury and/or death.
- To eliminate the use of a firearm for those individuals who are in despair and wish to harm themselves.

Free gunlocks and safe gun storage information will be provided. There will also be a blacksmith demonstration by Swords to Plowshares Northeast in which the turned in guns are converted into garden tools.

The Hamden Police Department would like to thank the Hamden Strengthening Police Community Partnerships (SPCP) program, Swords to Plowshares Northeast and Guns to Gardens for their collaboration and partnership with this event.

Donations for this event can be made on the donation link at <http://s2pnortheast.org>

*Please see the attached Hamden Gun Buy Back flyer for additional details.