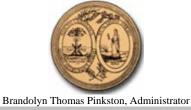


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SCDCA RETURNS TO GAFFNEY ON JANUARY 24, 2008

Columbia, SC... ... The South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs (SCDCA) will visit the Gaffney community on Thursday, January 24, 2008, to handle consumer complaints and questions. Regional SCDCA outreach coordinator Patty Guthrie will pay a visit to the Cherokee County Public Library located at 300 East Rutledge Avenue in Gaffney, SC 29340. Consumers may come with questions or complaints regarding a business between 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Individuals are encouraged to bring documentation with them.

The Department will continue to visit the Gaffney community on a regular basis beginning in January 2008. Locations will be announced monthly. The Department services the entire state via telephone and online help. Specific questions and concerns from the Gaffney community may be addressed to Patty Guthrie. Appointments are available upon request. Ms. Guthrie may be reached at 864.490.3267.

This month's visit has been made possible through a collaborative effort with Cherokee County Administrator Ben Clary and Cherokee County Librarian Cindy Harry.

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