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The Lexington County Coroner's Office 2018 Annual Report

The Lexington County Coroner's Office, under the direction of Coroner Margaret Fisher, has completed its 2018 Annual Report. This report, the fourth of its kind to be released by this office, is a compilation of demographic and statistical data based on the death investigations conducted by the Lexington County Coroner's Office in 2018. As stated in previous years, the primary goals of this report are to educate citizens about the purpose and responsibilities of the Coroner's Office, and to prevent deaths in Lexington County.

Coroner Fisher and her staff witness the heartbreak caused by preventable tragedies on a daily basis, and they are committed to increasing public awareness surrounding the causes of such tragedies. Currently, based on statistics and the possibility of prevention, the primary concerns are suicides and accidental deaths, particularly those caused by overdose. It is the sincere hope of the Lexington County Coroner's Office that providing information regarding the deaths handled by this office will prompt citizens to realize the prevalence and impact of certain deaths, be aware of the risks, take warning signs seriously, and seek help for those who need it.

There is no way to lessen the devastation caused by the deaths that have occurred; however, we seek to honor the decedents and their loved ones by gaining knowledge from each death. For many years, research of fatalities and the events that caused them has resulted in vast improvements to consumer products, occupational safety, and laws and policies. Countless lives have been saved through gathering information and distributing it to the public, and the Lexington County Coroner's Office is dedicated to contributing to this effort.

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