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Newport News Sheriff's Office Protects Citizens Against Identity Theft

A FREE shredding event will be held on Thursday, August 19, 2010 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Home Depot parking lot, 325 Chatham Drive, Newport News, VA.

One way to protect yourself from becoming a victim of identity theft is to destroy confidential documents. The Shred Day event is sponsored by the Newport News Sheriff's Office and Stealth Shredding, Inc.

Numerous other service providers will be on-hand to discuss resources in the City of Newport News, including the Oyster Point Mariner Lions Club. From their mobile unit, they will offer FREE sight and hearing tests for all ages.

The Federal Trade Commission estimates that as many as 9-million Americans have their identities stolen each year. Identity thieves can rent an apartment, obtain a credit card, or establish utility accounts in the victim's name. The victim may not discover the theft until they are contacted by a debt collector.

WHO: Newport News Sheriff's Office and Stealth Shredding, Inc.

WHAT: FREE SHRED DAY!

WHEN: Thursday, August 19th from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

WHERE: The Home Depot parking lot
325 Chatham Drive
Newport News, VA

Newport News Sheriff's Office -- COMMITTED TO FIGHTING IDENTITY THEFT

Partners:

Lions International | Commonwealth Attorney's Office Victim Services Unit | Newport News Police Department | Newport News Fire Department | HealThy Generations | NN Citizens Police Academy | NN Neighborhood Watch Coalition | Morningside Assisted Living | RSVP Retired & Senior Volunteer Program | Target | Kalfus & Nachman | Department of Human Services | Pearson Toyota Scion | PAA Peninsula Agency on Aging | State Farm Insurance | Virginia TRIAD