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NNSO to Offer FREE Shredding Event

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.

One way to protect yourself from becoming a victim is to destroy confidential documents.

The Newport News Sheriff's Office, the Southeast Community Weed & Seed Project and Stealth Shredding, Inc. will hold a Shred Day on Saturday, April 24th from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Farmers Market on the corner of Jefferson Avenue and 29th Street. It is FREE and open to the public.

In addition, other partners will provide FREE health screenings and services information.

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

WHAT: FREE SHRED DAY!

WHEN: Saturday, April 24th from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

WHERE: Farmers Market
Jefferson Avenue @ 29th Street
Newport News, VA

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

Partners:

National Alliance on Mental Illness Hampton/Newport News | Project Single Moms | Care Advantage | Downtown Newport News Merchant and Neighbors Association, Inc. | Heal Thy Generations | Bon Secours Hampton Roads Health System | Humana | Virginia TRIAD

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