



ANNOUNCEMENT
LEGIT
STATEWIDE SHRED-A-THON
Saturday, April 28, 2007
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
or until the shred truck is full, whichever occurs first.

Washington's Law Enforcement Group Against Identity Theft, better known as LEGIT, is excited to announce Washington's first statewide shred-a-thon to raise awareness of identity theft prevention and assist the public in keeping sensitive documents out of the hands of crooks.

On April 28, 2007:

- Financial institutions, retailers, small businesses, nonprofit organizations across the state have volunteered to host simultaneous shredding events for the public from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at locations across Washington.
- Commercial shredding companies will donate their time and resources to destroy sensitive documents at no charge.
- Police, government officials, business leaders and other experts will be on hand to answer questions and share valuable information about preventing identity theft.

Our goal is to make SMART handling of personal information second nature, like locking your front door, wearing a seatbelt, and putting out a campfire. Think SMART:

Secure your identity and financial information.

Minimize risks.

Act responsibly.

Restrict access to only those who need the information.

Think before providing personal information to requesters.

You aren't helpless in the face of identity theft, the fastest growing crime of our time. Join us and learn how to lock up your identity. In order to accommodate as many people as possible, there is a limit of three grocery bags or two banker boxes per customer.

For more information, please go to <http://www.atg.wa.gov/Shredathon.aspx> .

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Washington's Law Enforcement Group against Identity Theft

A statewide group of legislators, police chiefs, sheriff's, prosecutors, business and financial industry security professionals, and private sector associations, working to reduce identity theft in Washington.