

SHRED DAY ANNOUNCED FOR SYLVANIA AREA RESIDENTS

The City of Sylvania, in an effort to increase awareness about how to safeguard personal documents from identity theft, has partnered with AccuShred to promote the proper disposal and destruction of personal information.

As a result, AccuShred will offer on-site destruction of up to 50 pounds of personal documents, or approximately three banker boxes, free of charge. Additional boxes or bags or documents will be destroyed for a fee of \$3.00 per container. Residents are asked to bring boxed or bagged documents to the collection site, located at the Sylvania Administration Building, 6730 Monroe Street, Sylvania, Ohio, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Saturday, April 20, 2024. Residents will be able to unload the material and empty the contents into a large bin. The contents of the bin will be dumped into the shredder and shredded on the site. Residents may stay in their vehicles and watch their material be shredded if they wish. Documents can also be taken to or picked up by AccuShred and other accredited document destruction companies with the same results.

Electronic recycling is happening for the 9th year at the 2023 Shred Day event. The following items are accepted: Computers / CPU's and Laptops, Mainframes, Servers, Peripherals / Computer Cables and Any Wire / Telephones, Cell Phones and Telephone Systems / Fax Machines and Central Office Equipment / Printers and Copiers / Banking and Financial Equipment / Electronic Circuit Boards and Components/ Small Appliances / VCR, DVD and CD players / Stereo Equipment, Games, PDA's. Computer Monitors can be recycled for a \$10.00 fee. Tube or Projection Televisions will NOT be accepted, however, Flat Panel TVs (40" or smaller = \$35.00, 41" and up \$40.00) will be accepted at the Shred Day drop off. Local recyclers such as State Paper and Metal, AccuShred's parent company, do provide options for television recycling.

The goal of this project is to show Sylvania area residents how to protect themselves from identity theft while diverting a significant amount of paper and electronics from our local waste stream. According to a landfill audit conducted by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Recycling and Litter Prevention, more than 65% of what is disposed of in our local landfills is paper. 25% of electronics are recycled today resulting in a reduction of landfill space by approximately 600 thousand tons per year. There are many other environmental advantages listed by the United States EPA. Local recyclers, including State Paper and Metal, offer recycling alternatives for this material. The efforts of Sylvania residents and Shred Day have accounted for 150,000 pounds of recycled paper in just the last 8 years. For more information call City of Sylvania Zoning office at 419-885-8948 or visit www.cityofsylvania.com.