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“SHRED-IT” EVENT HELPS PREVENT METH USERS FROM STEALING RESIDENTS’ IDENTITIES

(Fountain Hills) - Each year, thousands of Arizonans are victims of identity theft. Now, the Town of Fountain Hills and Northeast Valley Coalition Against Meth are teaming up to help citizens protect themselves.

Rather than throw personal information in the trash, residents of Fountain Hills and neighboring communities will have the opportunity to have their documents shredded for free.

While Fountain Hills may seem unlikely place for methamphetamine influences, consider the following from National Drug Intelligence Center’s Methamphetamine Related Identity Theft Report from May of 2007.

- Methamphetamine abusers and distributors are increasingly engaging in identity theft; methamphetamine abusers are doing so to acquire funds for drug purchases, while methamphetamine distributors are committing identity theft to generate income for use in their trafficking operations.
- Methamphetamine-related identity theft appears to occur most in the southwestern and western states where distributors and abuse of the drug are most prevalent.

Who: Any member of the Fountain Hills’ public

Where: Town of Fountain Hills
Community Center
13001 N. La Montana Dr.
Fountain Hills, AZ 85268

When: November 17, 2007
8:00a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

What: Bring all paper documents for shredding: All paper shredded will be recycled. Identity theft prevention tips will also be provided.

Cost: FREE!

