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### Weichert, Realtors® - Pillar Northwest to Host Free Document Shredding Day

BELLEVUE, Wash. / April 3, 2019 – They’re back and they are ready to tear the place to pieces, or at least the piles of documents that will be dropped off at this year’s Shred-A-Thon hosted by Weichert, Realtors® - Pillar Northwest and Guild Mortgage.

The annual event, which is free, offers area residents a convenient way to safely discard paperwork with personal or sensitive information. This year’s Shred-A-Thon takes place on Saturday, May 11, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., in the Weichert® affiliate’s parking lot, located at 11900 Ne 1<sup>st</sup> Street in Bellevue.

Weichert, Realtors® - Pillar Northwest and Guild Mortgage will also be collecting clothing for women, men, children and infants, blankets, new underwear (all sizes and genders), baby formula, and toiletry items to donate to Mary’s Place, a Seattle-based non-profit organization that assists the homeless.

“We invite anyone in the area to drop by the plaza parking lot on May 11<sup>th</sup> to safely discard those stacks of old bills and other documents that may be taking up space in their house,” said Lara Germino, the owner/broker of Weichert, Realtors® - Pillar Northwest. “They can also donate clothing, diapers or toiletry items to help the less fortunate in the area.”

Weichert, Realtors® - Pillar Northwest is an independently owned and operate Weichert affiliate. The office serves the Seattle metropolitan area.

Guild Mortgage is a nationally recognized mortgage banking company with more than 250 branches and satellites serving homebuyers throughout the United States.

For more information about the Shred-A-Thon or Weichert, Realtors® - Pillar Northwest, located at 111900 NE 1st Street in Bellevue, contact Lara Germino at 425-577-6280 or via email at [lara@pillarnorthwest.com](mailto:lara@pillarnorthwest.com).

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Weichert, Realtors® - Pillar Northwest safely shredded dozens of bins filled with documents for local residents at its Shred-A-Thon event last year. The free event returns on May 11.

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