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Everything Goes to Pieces in Real Estate Parking Lot

Weichert, Realtors® - Pillar Northwest Hosts Free Shredding Event; Collects Items for Local Charity

BELLEVUE, Wash. / May 2, 2018 – A Bellevue real estate agency recently looked more like a recycling center after the company transformed its 36th Street parking lot into a gigantic shredding area.

The company, Weichert, Realtors® - Pillar Northwest, underwent the transformation to help local residents safely discard paperwork with personal or sensitive information as part of its April 21st Shred-A-Thon, a free event.

The Weichert® affiliate and its event partner, Guild Mortgage, also collected clothing and toiletry items, as well as financial donations, at the shred-a-thon to donate to Mary's Place, a Seattle-based non-profit organization that assists the homeless.

"It was great to see so many people who live and work in the area come out again this year to take advantage of our free document shredding day," said Lara Dunn, the broker/owner of Weichert, Realtors® - Pillar Northwest. "We were also excited to use this event as a way to help support Mary's Place and everything they do to help the homeless. We can't thank the community enough for its support."

Weichert, Realtors® - Pillar Northwest is an independently owned and operated 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 Weichert, Realtors® - Pillar Northwest, located at 14100 SE 36th Street, Suite 120, in Bellevue, contact Lara Germino at 425-577-6280 or visit www.pillarnorthwest.com.

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Volunteers from Weichert, Realtors® - Pillar Northwest are pictured preparing to shred a bin filled with documents at the company's April 21 Shred-A-Thon event.



Clothing, toiletry items and cash donations were collected at a April 21st document shredding event sponsored by Weichert, Realtors® - Pillar Northwest and Guild Mortgage. The items were donated to Mary's Place, a local non-profit organization.

About Weichert Real Estate Affiliates, Inc.: Weichert Real Estate Affiliates, Inc. has grown steadily since Jim Weichert, president, chairman and CEO of Weichert Companies, launched the company's franchise division in 2001. The affiliate division was created to offer a business model for franchisee ownership candidates described as "a clearly defined operating system for marketing and managing a real estate business." Weichert Real Estate Affiliates, Inc. announced its first affiliate in 2002, was ranked as one of the top traditional residential real estate franchises in *Entrepreneur's* 2018 Franchise 500 and was identified in 2018 by *Franchise Business Review* as one of the top U.S. franchises for owner satisfaction. Weichert Real Estate Affiliates, Inc. has offices serving over 300 markets in 37 states. For more information about Weichert, visit Weichert.com or for information on franchise opportunities visit WeichertFranchise.com.

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