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**Subject: FREE Shredding Week**

**Traverse City** – Can someone legally dig through your trash looking for credit card receipts, account numbers or your social security number? The U.S. Supreme Court implies that the answer is yes. In other words, when you throw something in the trash, it is available to anyone willing to dig for it – never mind the disgusting smells. Document shredding is a perfectly safe and easy way to ensure your sensitive documents cannot be used for identity theft.

Your personal information is what identity thieves are looking for – your date of birth and social security number are especially vulnerable. The information to also be careful of is your full name, address, home or work telephone numbers and driver’s license number.

Use the Grand Traverse Senior Center Network free shredding week to keep your identity safe. Locations and hours follow:

Traverse City shredding is from April 22 – 26, 2019 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at ProFile, 3820 Cass Road.

Interlochen shredding is Tuesday, April 23 and Thursday, April 25, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., 9700 Riley Road.

Kingsley shredding is Wednesday, April 24 and Friday, April 26, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., 115 E. Blair Street.

Fife Lake shredding is during normal Fife Lake Library hours the week of April 21, 77 Lakecrest Lane.

At all of the outreach locations, there will be locked shred totes provided by ProFile and available during the hours listed above. Accepted items include any type of paper and check registers. Please, no binder clips, credit cards or CDs. Registration is not required.

For more information email [dmikowski@grandtraverse.org](mailto:dmikowski@grandtraverse.org) or call 231-922-2080

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*The Senior Center Network, part of the Grand Traverse County Parks and Recreation Department, offers diverse programs to older adults in Grand Traverse County. Thousands each year enjoy dozens of activities on a daily basis at locations in Traverse City, Acme, Fife Lake, Interlochen, and Kingsley. Business hours are Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call 231-922-4911, or visit [www.grandtraverse.org/scn](http://www.grandtraverse.org/scn) or our Facebook page.*