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

BELLEVUE, Wash. / April 2, 2018 – They’re back and they are ready to tear this 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, April 21, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., in the Weichert® affiliate’s parking lot, located at 14100 SE 36<sup>th</sup> Street in Bellevue.

Weichert, Realtors® - Pillar Northwest and Guild Mortgage will also be collecting maternity clothing, twin blankets/sheet, 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 our parking lot on April 21<sup>st</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 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, contact Lara Germino at 425-577-6280.

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