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Texell Credit Union to Host Free Shred Day in Temple

Temple, TX (Oct. 3, 2023) — Texell will host a free Shred Day on Saturday, October 14, from 9 am to noon at Texell's Downtown branch in Temple, at 5 South 1st Street. Texell members can bring their personal documents and credit offers to be shredded on-site by mobile shredding trucks provided by Texell.

"Texell provides several shred days every year, to help consumers protect themselves from identity theft," said Amy Merriman, Texell's Chief Operating Officer. "While we cannot eliminate the threat completely, we can provide the valuable tool of secure destruction of documents that contain personal information."

In 2023, consumers reported losing nearly \$10.2 billion to fraud. The FTC received 1.4 million identity theft cases, with the median loss of fraud for victims at about \$500¹.

Participants remain their vehicles while Texell and event staff unload up to three boxes or bags for sensitive information. Shredding takes just a few moments, ensuring participants that their documents are destroyed. For more information, please visit Texell.org/Events.

¹ Sources include <u>Identitytheft.org</u> and <u>ftc.gov</u>.

About Texell Credit Union

With eight branches in Central Texas, Texell Credit Union offers a range of financial services for both consumers and businesses. Celebrating its 75th anniversary in 2023, Texell serves over 50,000 members. Texell was named one of the "Best Credit Unions to Work for" in the nation by the Credit Union Journal in 2019, 2020, and 2023. Texell has been honored with the Excellence in Lending Award from CUNA Mutual Group, the Desjardins Adult Financial Literacy Award from the Texas Credit Union League, as the "Best Bank/Credit Union" by the readers of the Temple Daily Telegram, and as "Best Credit Union" by the readers of the Killeen Daily Herald and the Belton Journal. Texell Credit Union consistently earns the highest five-star, superior rating for financial soundness from Bauer Financial. Visit <u>www.Texell.org</u> for more information.