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**Free Document Shredding Event Announced**

**LEONARDTOWN, MD** – It's time to clean out your filing cabinets and desks to get rid of confidential, private, or important personal documents that you no longer need to keep!

The Department of Public Works & Transportation (DPW&T) will host their biannual **Community Shredding Event** on **Saturday, October 26, 2024, from 8 a.m. – noon at the St. Andrews Landfill**, located at 44837 St. Andrews Church Road.

This community event gives residents the opportunity to have their confidential, private, and important documents destroyed by a professional shredding service at **no cost**. This type of shredding turns sensitive documents into confetti-sized pieces, ensuring that confidential material cannot be copied. All paper material shredded during the event will then be recycled.

Please refrain from bringing materials that are **not** confidential in nature, such as newspapers and magazines (acceptable for recycling at the [six Convenience Centers](#)) as they will cause the truck to fill up more quickly. The shredder can handle simple staples, paper clips, spiral notebooks, and thin metal prongs, however it cannot accept 3 ring binders. Please limit the number of boxes you bring to 3 standard bankers' boxes (10"H x 12"W x 15" D) per person so we can serve as many residents as possible.

For more information, please call DPW&T at (301) 475-4200, ext. 3550, or visit [www.stmaryscountymd.gov](http://www.stmaryscountymd.gov).

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