## Goodwill and Florida Community Bank Partner for Secure Shred Day

Goodwill's Secure Shred is partnering with Florida Community Bank in Fort Myers to help people safeguard their identities, help the community, and protect the environment, by hosting a "Shred Day" at Florida Community Bank's Caloosa Shores branch.

May 14, 2009 - <u>PRLog</u> -- Florida Community Bank and Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida, Inc. will host a free shredding event on Friday, May 22, at FCB's Caloosa Shores Branch in East Fort Myers.

What: Shred Day at Florida Community Bank When: Friday, May 22, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Where: Florida Community Bank

Caloosa Shores Branch

11390 Palm Beach Blvd., Fort Myers

Goodwill's Secure Document Destruction service will be on hand to accept personal papers and other sensitive documents—which will be shredded for FREE. Customers will be limited to one bag or box for free shredding (additional documents will be accepted for \$5.00 per bag or box). Sensitive documents will be collected in locked bins for transportation back to Goodwill's secure shredding facility in North Fort Myers. Patrons will be provided with a certificate of destruction once their materials are shredded.

This will be Goodwill's seventh community "Shred Day" in Southwest Florida, and fourth time partnering with Florida Community Bank. In all, Goodwill has collected more than 13,000 pounds of confidential documents for destruction at its shredding events.

According to the Federal Trade Commission, more than 9 million Americans are victims of identity theft or identity fraud every year.. The majority of ID theft occurs when the thief has direct contact with the victim's personal information, through a stolen or lost wallet, rifling through a mailbox or trashcan, or even lifting documents from inside a home or business. Secure destruction of these personal documents is the first step in identity protection.

Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida created its document destruction business in 2007 in order to provide jobs for local individuals with severe disabilities while also providing a valuable service to the community. Goodwill provides document destruction to numerous Southwest Florida businesses and agencies, including UBS Financial, LYNX Services, the United Way, the City of Cape Coral, and the City of Fort Myers.

For more information about Goodwill's Secure Document Destruction service, contact Pat Smith, Director of Business Development, at (239) 995-2106 ext. 235, or visit <a href="http://www.goodwillswfl.org/contract\_services.htm">http://www.goodwillswfl.org/contract\_services.htm</a>.

Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida, Inc. builds lives, families and communities-- one job at a time by helping people with disabilities and other disadvantages overcome their barriers to employment and independence. Information on Goodwill's programs and services is available at <a href="http://www.goodwillswfl.org">http://www.goodwillswfl.org</a>.

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Goodwill operates 24 thrift stores in SW Florida to support its mission of removing barriers to independence. Programs include income-sensitive housing, career placement assistance, the L.I.F.E. Academy Charter School, Four Wheels for Work, and others.

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