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## **Nightmare on Shred Street, the sequel, takes another swing at ongoing concern of identity theft**

Like any Hollywood nightmare, a sequel is always in the offing, and identity theft just isn't going away. With that in mind, Information Technology Services at the University of Lethbridge and Lethbridge Mobile Shredding are back to protect southern Alberta residents with *A Nightmare on Shred Street 2: Data's Revenge*.

A free event offering shredding of personal documents, hard drive degaussing and e-waste recycling, the first *Nightmare on Shred Street* debuted last fall.

"Identity fraud is an ongoing threat and this being Cybersecurity Awareness Month, we feel it is a great opportunity for an event where we can help the public in safely disposing their personal items to minimize their exposure to risk," says Ashley Haughton, manager of Records and Information at the U of L.



The initial shredding event netted two crates of e-waste, almost two dozen hard drives for degaussing and 1440 gallons of paper for shredding. As well, donations of cash or non-perishable food items are accepted for the campus food bank and \$170 was raised along with 220 litres of food.

This year's *Nightmare* is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 23 from 8 a.m. to noon in the bus loading zone to the west of the University's 1st Choice Savings Centre for Sport and wellness. Everyone is welcome to bring items such as bank statements, credit card bills, utility bills, pay stubs, tax documents, medical records, store receipts and electronic files such as photos, passwords, contact lists and so on.

There is a limit of six boxes of paper items per person, while any data storage devices will be accepted. Hard drives will be degaussed on site and other non-paper materials

will be taken by Lethbridge Mobile Shredding for secure destruction. General e-waste will also be collected for recycling.

For more details on what will be accepted and how it should be sorted, view this notice online: <https://www.uleth.ca/notice/events/nightmare-shred-street-2-datas-revenge>.

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