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SCDCA Celebrates National Consumer Protection Week March 5th-9th

Columbia, SC... - Join SCDCA in celebrating the 14th Annual National Consumer Protection Week (NCPW) March 5th-9th. SCDCA will be sponsoring a number of activities throughout the state in an effort to help consumers increase their financial literacy, spot and prevent fraud and avoid becoming a victim of identity theft. In addition to making presentations and releasing new, consumer and business publications, we will partner with various organizations to offer the following:

Shred Days

SCDCA is partnering with Shred360 to offer three, FREE shred days in five different locations about the state:

Tuesday, March 6th

- Haywood Mall (Greenville), 10am-2pm

Wednesday, March 7th

- Charleston Area Convention Center (North Charleston), 10am-2pm

Thursday, March 8th

- Corner of Gadsden and Blossom (Behind Carolina Coliseum- Columbia), 10am-2pm
- Home Depot (Sandhills), 10am-2pm
- Shred360 Facility (Irmo), 10am-2pm

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Phone Banks

SCDCA is partnering with the US Postal Service and Better Business Bureau for a consumer phone bank:

Wednesday, March 7th WSPA Spartanburg, 5pm-7:30pm

Consumers can also visit www.ncpw.gov to read, view, download and order multiple copies of educational materials provided by nearly 30 organizations. The website's blog features posts from consumer experts nationwide, and allows consumers to connect directly with them about a variety of consumer protection resources.

SCDCA aims to protect consumers from inequities in the marketplace through advocacy, complaint mediation, enforcement and education. For more information on SCDCA's Consumer Protection Week activities, or to file a complaint or get information on consumer issues, visit www.sccoconsumer.gov or call toll-free, 1.800.922.1594.

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