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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

RE: Broken Arrow Police Department and The Gateway Foundation Team up to prevent Identity theft.

Broken Arrow, Oklahoma- Broken Arrow Police Department has established a partnership with the Gateway Foundation to Prevent Identity Theft with a **free** and **permanent** shredding Location.

The shredding drop off location is 116 **West Commercial, in Broken Arrow**. The hours of operation are Monday-Friday 8:00-4:00.

The Broken Arrow Police Department recommends that you shred all documents; including pre-approved credit applications, insurance forms, bank checks and statements you are discarding, and other financial information.

Not only will citizens have the opportunity to dispose of confidential material in a safe and secure setting the shredded paper will be recycled. *This program is providing jobs for people who might otherwise not be employed.*

In one month's time the Gateway Foundation recycled 1,8375 tons of paper which saved 31.2375 trees, saved 7533.75 kwh of energy, 12862.50 gallons of water, 6,0637 cubic yards of landfill space and 110.25 pounds of air pollution.

Gateway was founded in 1963 to provide opportunities to learn vital life skills, and gain independence for people who have intellectual disabilities. For almost half a century, Gateway has provided opportunities and promoted independence to our individuals and their families. For more information on Gateway Foundation go to their website www.gatesway.org

The Broken Arrow Police Department also has a prescription Drug Drop off container and a cell phone donation program. If you would like more information on the Broken Arrow Police Departments Programs go to www.brokenarrowok.gov.