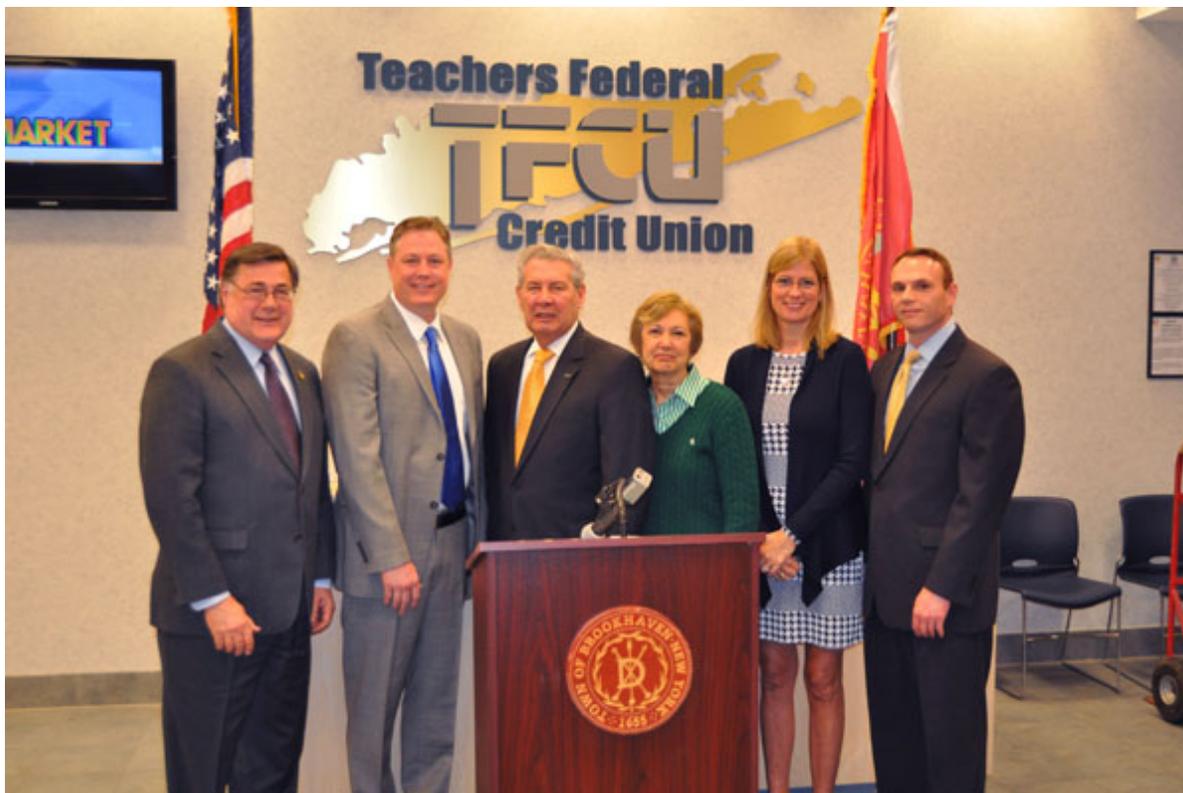


# Town Announces Partnership with Teachers Federal Credit Union for 2015 Paper Shredding Events

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12 events scheduled throughout the Town in 2015

**Farmingville, NY** - On April 21, Supervisor Ed Romaine, Councilman Neil Foley, Councilwoman Jane Bonner and Councilwoman Connie Kepert joined Robert G. Allen, President and CEO of Teachers Federal Credit Union, to announce that the Town and TFCU will co-sponsor the Town's 2015 paper shredding events. Each year the Town holds shredding events in every Council District and TFCU routinely offers them to their members. The events help residents to properly dispose of sensitive documents which, when improperly discarded, can fall into the hands of identity thieves. Besides the green benefits of recycling paper, the Town and TFCU value the security benefits of shredding as well. The Town/TFCU paper shredding events are open to all Brookhaven Town residents.

Pictured left to right are Supervisor Ed Romaine, Councilman Foley, Robert G. Allen, Councilwoman Kepert, Councilwoman Bonner and Department of Waste Management Executive Assistant Frank Tassone.

In 2014, the town held six paper shredding events and collected a total of 72,000 pounds of paper for recycling. Due to the popularity of these events, the Town has doubled the number to twelve events, two in each Council District. During their own events in the past, TFCU have collected more than 10,000 pounds of paper.

"Brookhaven residents have been very enthusiastic about our shredding events, and thanks to our partnership with TFCU, we are now able to add six more," said Supervisor Romaine. "Not only do these events encourage recycling, they are also a safe and secure way to dispose of private documents. I am happy that TFCU is now on board and appreciate their support of our efforts to increase recycling in the Town."

"Our shredding events have become very popular in the last few years," said Councilman Foley, Town Board Liaison to the Department of Waste Management. "By participating, residents can help the environment, while at the same time they can take advantage of the secure disposal of a large volume of documents that may be cluttering up their homes and offices."

Councilwoman Bonner said, "It's great to welcome TFCU as a co-sponsor of our paper shredding events and I encourage residents to take advantage of this program. It's an easy way to get rid of old documents in a secure and environmentally conscious manner."

"I am pleased that Teachers Federal Credit Union will be partnering with the Town to host paper shredding events in 2015," stated Councilwoman Connie Kepert. "These events provide residents the opportunity to properly dispose of sensitive documents safely, effectively, and in an environmentally-friendly way."

Robert G. Allen said, "Teachers Federal Credit Union is proud to work with the Town of Brookhaven to combat identity theft. Besides the positive environmental benefits, proper document disposal is an easy yet effective way to protect sensitive information from identity thieves. TFCU supports any effort to make safeguarding efforts easier."

See the 2015 schedule of E-Waste / Paper Shredding / Drug Take Back events. For more information, call 451-TOWN (8696) or visit [www.brookhaven.org](http://www.brookhaven.org)

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