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### MIDLANDS RESIDENTS GIVES BIG TO SOUTH CAROLINA SCHOOLS

**Columbia, SC.....**In a time when most consumers are looking to stretch and save their dollars, Midlands residents showed their true colors by giving back to the community and helping South Carolina schools in a big way.

Consumers came out in force to SCDCA's Shred Day and Back-To-School Drive on July 30, 2009.

**Thanks to the generous donations from citizens, over 750 lbs. of school supplies will fill South Carolina classrooms this fall!** Donations included the following:

- 4,000 pencils
- 4,000 crayons
- 375 notebooks
- 50 glue bottles

From SCDCA to all our participants: "Thank you!" The Department of Education will be distributing the school supplies for the start of the new school year as part of its Palmetto Priority Schools Initiative. The Department also partnered with Carolina Records & Information Management and Cintas to provide free, on-site shredding. Consumers interested in keeping their identity safe helped shred over **17,000 lbs. (8 ½ tons) of paper.**

For more information on future Shred Day events, contact the Public Information Division at 803.734.4296, toll free in SC at 1.800.922.1594, or visit [www.scconsumer.gov](http://www.scconsumer.gov).

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