

October 16, 2020

Dear MCLA Community:

This is an update to the August email and notification about a data security incident we were made aware of by one of our vendors, Blackbaud. MCLA contracts with Blackbaud to store our alumni and donor information within Blackbaud's self-hosted environment.

As previously reported, on July 16, 2020 Blackbaud notified us, as well as hundreds of other organizations that use its services, that it was impacted by an attempted ransomware event. According to Blackbaud, in May 2020, an unauthorized third party attempted to deploy ransomware within Blackbaud's environment, and also exfiltrated some data out of Blackbaud's systems. This data may have included information we store in Blackbaud. The person who gained access to Blackbaud's network could have accessed name, contact information such as phone numbers, email and residential addresses, and dates of birth. Notifications were mailed on August 13, 2020 to the 93 individuals within our database that could have been affected by this incident.

We worked with Blackbaud to obtain additional information about the nature of the event to determine the risk to your personal information. **We are not aware of any instances of fraud or identity theft arising out of this incident.** Nonetheless, out of an abundance of caution, on September 18, 2020 we provided notice to 14 individuals who could have had their social security numbers accessed, and have provided them with a complimentary two-year membership of Experian IdentityWorksSM Credit 3B. This product helps detect possible misuse of personal information and provides identity protection services focused on immediate identification and resolution of identity theft.

At this point, we have notified any constituent that we, with the help of outside consultants, have determined could have been affected by this event. Blackbaud's explanation of the incident and any updates that they provide can be found at <u>https://www.blackbaud.com/securityincident</u>.

We value the trust you place in us and take our responsibility to safeguard your personal information seriously. We apologize for any inconvenience or concern this incident may have caused. We are committed to taking steps to help prevent this from happening again, including reviewing our relationship with Blackbaud and the technical controls they have in place for securing our data.

Sincerely,

Robert P. Ziomek President MCLA Foundation, Inc.