



NOTICE OF BLACKBAUD DATA BREACH

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Dear Friends of Black Rock Forest:

I am writing to notify you that [Blackbaud](#), a software provider used by Black Rock Forest, notified us that, with the help of forensics experts and law enforcement, it uncovered and stopped a ransomware data attack by a cybercriminal in May 2020. Blackbaud is a widely used software service provider that works with many not-for-profit organizations and educational institutions. Black Rock Forest's database was not specifically targeted, we were one of many organizations that were impacted by this incident.

It is important to note that no credit card, bank account or social security information was accessed in the cyberattack. BRF typically does not retain such data regardless and Blackbaud encrypts it as well. Blackbaud has determined that the compromised data included details about demographics, donations, and other financial information. Additionally, if you are receiving this and first donated to Black Rock Forest after May 20th of this year NONE of your data was impacted.

Having satisfied the terms of the cybercriminal, Blackbaud reports that it is confident any stolen data has now been permanently destroyed. Based on the nature of the incident, the research performed by the company and outside investigators, and their assessment of patterns of behavior in instances such as these - Blackbaud does not believe that any data went beyond the cybercriminal, was or will be misused, or will be disseminated or otherwise made available publicly. Blackbaud's teams identified and addressed the vulnerability associated with this incident and believe that the fix withstands all known attack tactics. Additionally, Blackbaud has hired third-party security experts to monitor widely for any illegal activity involving this breach to further confirm that the data has not been disseminated.

I truly regret any disruption or concern this might cause you. All of us at Black Rock Forest take the protection and discreet use of your information very seriously.

We are grateful for your support and engagement with Black Rock Forest and hope to see you out on the trails soon!

Brienne Cliadakis
Director of Development

NOTE: For additional information about this data security incident, contact [Brienne Cliadakis](#), Director of Development or call 845-534-4517 x 126.