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#### Dear <</Name 1>>:

# Notice of Data Breach

We are writing to inform you of a potential security incident involving certain personal information you provided to the San Bernardino Community College District at its Crafton Hills College Campus. We are providing this notice as a precaution to inform potentially affected individuals about the incident and to call your attention to some steps you can take to help protect yourself. We sincerely regret any concern this may cause you.

# What Happened

We recently learned that a District employee inadvertently sent a spreadsheet containing certain individuals' information to a community college distribution list. Although the spreadsheet was sent to a known group of individuals and related to certain program information, there was additional information contained in the spreadsheet that was not intended for broader distribution.

### What Information Was Involved

The information stored in the spreadsheet varies by individual, but may include first and last name, address, date of birth, Social Security number, and certain course-related information. Based on our investigation, it appears you were one of the individuals whose information was stored in the spreadsheet and therefore your information could be affected by this incident. This incident does not involve any unauthorized access to or use of any of San Bernardino Community College District's internal computer systems or network and, as outlined above, this information was sent to a community college distribution list. Please note that we are not aware of any fraud or misuse of your information as a result of this incident.

### What We Are Doing

We take the privacy of personal information seriously and deeply regret that this incident occurred. We took steps to address this incident promptly after it was discovered, including initiating an internal investigation into this incident and contacting all of the recipients of the inadvertent email to have the file permanently deleted from their systems.

As a precaution and to help protect your identity, we are offering one year of complimentary identity protection services from a leading identity monitoring services company. These services help detect possible misuse of your personal information and provide you with superior identity protection support focused on immediate identification and resolution of identity theft. For more information about these services and instructions on completing the enrollment process, please refer to the enrollment instructions included with this letter.

# What You Can Do

Although we are not aware of any misuse of information arising out of this incident, we want to make you aware of steps that you can take as a precaution:

- Activating the Complimentary Identity Protection Services. As outlined above, we are offering one year of identity theft protection and credit monitoring services at no charge to you. For more information about these services and instructions on completing the enrollment process, please refer to the "Information about Identity Theft Protection" reference guide attached to this letter. Note that you must complete the enrollment process by March 31, 2019.
- Checking Credit Reports and Financial Accounts. As a general practice, you can carefully check your credit reports for accounts you did not open or for inquiries from creditors you did not initiate. If you see anything you do not understand, call the credit agency immediately. If you find any suspicious activity on your credit reports, call your local police or sheriff's office, and file a police report for identity theft and get a copy of it. You may need to give copies of the police report to creditors to clear up your records. You can also review your financial account statements to determine if there are any discrepancies or unusual activity listed. If you see anything you do not understand, call the financial institution immediately.
- **Consulting the Identity Theft Protection Guide.** Finally, please review the "Information about Identity Theft Protection" reference guide, included here, which describes additional steps that you may wish to take to help protect yourself, including recommendations by the Federal Trade Commission regarding identity theft protection and details on placing a fraud alert or a security freeze on your credit file.

#### For More Information

For more information about this incident, or if you have additional questions or concerns, please contact our information hotline at 888-595-6309 between the hours of 6 am to 6 pm Pacific time, Monday through Friday. Again, we sincerely regret any concern this incident may cause.

Sincerely,

San Bernardino Community College District

# **Information about Identity Theft Protection**

To help protect your identity, we are offering a complimentary membership in Experian's<sup>®</sup> IdentityWorks<sup>®</sup>. This product helps detect possible misuse of your personal information and provides you with superior identity protection support focused on immediate identification and resolution of identity theft. Included with this service are fraud resolution services that provide an Experian Fraud Resolution agent to work with you to investigate and resolve each incident of fraud that occurred from the date of the incident (including, as appropriate, helping you with contacting credit grantors to dispute charges and close accounts; assisting you in placing a freeze on your credit file with the three major credit bureaus; and assisting you with contacting government agencies to help restore your identity to its proper condition). While this Fraud Resolution assistance is <u>immediately available to you without any further action on your part</u>, you can also activate the fraud detection tools available through enrolling in IdentityWorks<sup>®</sup> at no cost to you. To enroll in these services, visit: **www.experianidworks.com/3bcredit** by **<<ENROLLMENT DEADLINE>>**, and use the following activation code: **<<ACTIVATION CODE>>**. You may also enroll over the phone by calling **877-288-8057** between the hours of 9:00 AM and 9:00 PM (Eastern Time), Monday through Friday and 11:00 AM and 8:00 PM Saturday (excluding holidays). Please provide the following engagement number as proof of eligibility: **<<ENGAGEMENT NUMBER>>**.

Once you enroll in IdentityWorks, you will have access to the following features:

- Experian credit report at signup: See what information is associated with your credit file.
- Active Surveillance Alerts: Monitors Experian, Equifax and Transunion files for indicators of fraud.
- Fraud Resolution: Identity Theft Resolution agents are immediately available to help you address credit and non-credit related fraud.
- **ExtendCARE:** You receive the same high-level of Fraud Resolution support even after your IdentityWorks membership has expired.
- **\$1 Million Identity Theft Insurance**<sup>1</sup>: Provides coverage for certain costs and unauthorized electronic fund transfers

There are additional actions you can consider taking to reduce the chances of identity theft or fraud on your account(s). Please refer to www.ExperianIDWorks.com/restoration for this information.

**Review Accounts and Credit Reports:** You can regularly review statements from your accounts and periodically obtain your credit report from one or more of the national credit reporting companies. You may obtain a free copy of your credit report online at www.annualcreditreport.com, by calling toll-free 1-877-322-8228, or by mailing an Annual Credit Report Request Form (available at www.annualcreditreport.com) to: Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA, 30348-5281. You may also purchase a copy of your credit report by contacting one or more of the three national credit reporting agencies listed at the bottom of this page.

You should remain vigilant with respect to reviewing your account statements and credit reports, and you should promptly report any suspicious activity or suspected identity theft to the proper law enforcement authorities, including local law enforcement, your state's attorney general, and/or the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC"). You may contact the FTC or your state's regulatory authority to obtain additional information about avoiding and protection against identity theft: Federal Trade Commission, Consumer Response Center 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20580, 1-877-IDTHEFT (438-4338), www.ftc.gov/idtheft.

**Security Freezes and Fraud Alerts:** You have a right to place a security freeze on your credit report, which will prohibit a consumer reporting agency from releasing information in your credit report without your express authorization. The security freeze is designed to prevent credit, loans, and services from being approved in your name without your consent. However, you should be aware that using a security freeze to take control over who gets access to the personal and financial information in your credit report may delay, interfere with, or prohibit the timely approval of any subsequent request or application you make regarding a new loan, credit, mortgage, or any other account involving the extension of credit.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Identity theft insurance is underwritten by insurance company subsidiaries or affiliates of American International Group, Inc. (AIG). The description herein is a summary and intended for informational purposes only and does not include all terms, conditions and exclusions of the policies described. Please refer to the actual policies for terms, conditions, and exclusions of coverage. Coverage may not be available in all jurisdictions.

A security freeze does not apply to a person or entity, or its affiliates, or collection agencies acting on behalf of the person or entity, with which you have an existing account that requests information in your credit report for the purposes of reviewing or collecting the account. Reviewing the account includes activities related to account maintenance, monitoring, credit line increases, and account upgrades and enhancements. Please contact the three major credit reporting companies as specified below to find out more information about placing a security freeze on your credit report.

As an alternative to a security freeze, you have the right to place an initial or extended fraud alert on your credit file at no cost. An initial fraud alert is a 1-year alert that is placed on a consumer's credit file. Upon seeing a fraud alert display on a consumer's credit file, a business is required to take steps to verify the consumer's identity before extending new credit. If you are a victim of identity theft, you are entitled to an extended fraud alert, which is a fraud alert lasting 7 years. You can place a fraud alert on your credit report by contacting any of the three national credit reporting agencies at the addresses or toll-free numbers listed at the bottom of this page.

You can obtain more information about fraud alerts and credit freezes by contacting the FTC or one of the national credit reporting agencies listed below.

# **National Credit Reporting Agencies Contact Information**

Equifax (www.equifax.com)	Experian (www.experian.com)	TransUnion (www.transunion.com)
General Contact:	General Contact:	General Contact:
P.O. Box 740241	P.O. Box 2002	P.O. Box 105281
Atlanta, GA 30374	Allen, TX 75013	Atlanta, GA 30348
800-685-1111	888-397-3742	800-888-4213
Fraud Alerts:	Fraud Alerts and Security Freezes:	Fraud Alerts and Security Freezes:
P.O. Box 740256, Atlanta, GA 30374	P.O. Box 9554, Allen, TX 75013	P.O. Box 2000, Chester, PA 19022
Credit Freezes:		888-909-8872
P.O. Box 105788, Atlanta, GA 30348		