

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing on behalf of the Mahamevnawa Meditation Center to inform you of a recent communication we have sent to our congregation. This communication pertains to a burglary/theft incident that occurred at our center, which has unfortunately led to the potential compromise of personal information.

As part of our commitment to transparency and responsibility, we have notified our congregation members about this breach. The purpose of this communication was to alert them to the possibility of their personal information being exposed and to advise them on steps they can take to protect themselves.

Given the serious nature of this incident and its potential impact on the personal information of our congregation members, we believe it is important to keep your department informed. We are currently taking all necessary measures to address this issue, including working closely with law enforcement and seeking legal advice.

Please find attached a copy of the notice that was sent to our congregation for your reference. We hope this will aid in any investigations or actions your department may deem necessary in relation to this matter.

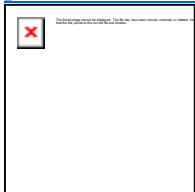
Should you require any further information or assistance from us, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

On behalf of the Mahamevnawa Meditation Center Committee,

Sincerely,

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NOTICE OF POSSIBLE DATA BREACH

Dear Practitioner,

We are writing to inform you of an incident involving unauthorized access to files maintained at the Mahamevnawa Meditation Center. Although we are currently unaware of any actual misuse of your information, we are issuing this notice to you and other practitioners regarding the incident and providing guidance on how to protect yourself against potential identity theft or fraud.

What Happened?

On November 13, 2023, our meditation center was broken into, and money was stolen from our donation boxes, including both cash and checks. The intruders also broke into our filing cabinets and rummaged through them. We are not aware of any files being taken. Importantly, our computers were not accessed or compromised, so there was no electronic data breach.

We have notified local law enforcement, and they are currently investigating. As a valued member of our community, we feel it is essential to notify you of this breach. The dissemination of this notice was delayed for a short time until law enforcement initiated their preliminary investigation.

What Information Was Involved?

The information that the attackers may have had access to could include your first and last name, your address, your phone number, and any checks that we had yet to deposit.

What Are We Doing?

We are collaborating with members of our community to enhance security measures both within and around the meditation center to prevent any future breaches and intrusions. In response to the recent incident, we have implemented the following measures:

- **Increased Frequency of Collection Box Monitoring:** We are now collecting donations from the boxes more frequently than before to minimize the risk of large cash accumulations.
- **Upgraded Security Surveillance System:** A state-of-the-art security surveillance system with an intruder alert feature has been installed on the premises. This system is designed to provide immediate notification of any unauthorized access, ensuring a rapid response to potential threats.
- **Encouragement of Online Payments:** To further enhance the security of donations, we are encouraging our congregation to utilize online payment methods. This not only provides a safer alternative to cash donations but also ensures better tracking and accountability of funds.

These measures are part of our ongoing commitment to the safety and security of our community and the meditation center. We believe these steps will significantly reduce the likelihood of similar incidents in the future and provide peace of mind to our practitioners and visitors.

What You Can Do?

To protect yourself from the potential risk of identity theft, we recommend that you immediately contact your credit or debit card company to inform them that your identity may have been compromised. Please review your banking statements for any suspicious activity and report these to the

relevant financial institutions. Additionally, checking your credit report for any unusual activity is advised.

For More Information.

If you require further assistance or have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us at [Your Contact Number] on weekdays between [hours]. You can also reach out to the Maryland Office of the Attorney General at 410-576-6300 / En español 410-230-1712 / toll-free: 1-888-743-0023. The Consumer Hotline number is 410-528-8662. For credit reporting agency inquiries, you may contact Experian at 1 888 397 3742, TransUnion at 1 (800) 916-8800, and Equifax at 1 (888) 378-4329.

Sincerely,