University of Maryland reports data breach

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The president of the University of Maryland says there has been a breach of a database that contains personal information about more than 300,000 faculty, staff, students, and others.

Wallace Loh said in a statement posted Wednesday on the university's website that the database contained records of those who have been issued a university ID since 1998.

Loh said the database has information from the College Park and Shady Grove campuses. The records include names, Social Security numbers, dates of birth and university identification numbers.

The university is working to determine how the breach occurred. Loh said state and federal law enforcement officials are investigating.

The University is offering one year of free credit monitoring to anyone affected by the breach.

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