



Cyber Oregon Backgrounder

Cyber Oregon is a statewide initiative powered by a public-private consortium including the Oregon Cybersecurity Advisory Council (OCAC), Technology Association of Oregon (TAO), Oregon's cyber-related industries, Oregon's Executive Branch agencies, local governments, higher education institutions and other organizations to help build tangible solutions to protect the digital lives of all Oregonians.

The OCAC was established pursuant to Senate Bill 90, signed by Governor Kate Brown on September 19, 2017, to develop a shared vision for the establishment of a cross-sector Cybersecurity Center of Excellence. The Cyber Oregon awareness initiative was formed in partnership with TAO to develop and increase awareness of cybersecurity programs, education and resources throughout the state.

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The new Cyber Oregon website, located at www.cyberoregon.com, is intended as a one-stop resource for all things cyber in Oregon, including cybersecurity news, threat alerts, event announcements, educational information, resources, a job board for cybersecurity job seekers and other helpful information. The site includes special offers for Cyber Oregon members, including free Splunk® training through the Splunk Pledge, and cybersecurity consultations for business owners offered through the Small Business Development Council (SBDC) of Oregon. The website will also provide ongoing OCAC updates.

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