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# Global Cybersecurity League Formed to Fight Hospital Ransomware

A crack team of IT experts has been assembled to fight ransomware attacks against hospitals during the coronavirus crisis.

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A crack team of cybersecurity experts in 65 countries has come together to combat ransomware attacks on hospitals during the coronavirus crisis.

Calling themselves the COVID-19 CTI League the community of experts aims to protect the technological infrastructure of front-line medical resources from cyberattacks.

decryption key. Hospitals are often seen as soft targets, due to ageing IT infrastructure and a willingness to pay due to the critical nature of their work.

Cointelegraph reported on March 30 that Ryuk ransomware continues to target hospitals and healthcare providers based in the United States.

## Fighting against cyber attacks during the pandemic

The founder of the project, Ohad Zaidenberg, is based in Israel, while other members of the management team include Nate Warfield, Chris Mills, and Marc Rogers, who are based in the United States.

Zaidenberg told Cointelegraph the League now has collaborators around the globe and that protecting hospitals was a critical need at this time:

> "Since the coronavirus crisis came out, I understood that attacking against the medical sector is a game-changer that can cause death. I decided to create a community of cybersecurity experts that want to spend their free time and to use their abilities to protect the medical sector. With my friends in the management team, we prove the real power of the infosec community. It gave us so much power to keep doing our job — to save a life."

## Cryptocurrencies and ransomware attacks

Earlier this month cybersecurity firm Emsisoft and incident response company Coveware also announced an initiative offering free ransomware decryption tools and assistance to health care providers in the event of an attack.

The Emsisoft company blog implored ransomware crews to think twice before attacking healthcare organizations.

> "Make no mistake, an attack on a healthcare organization will have negative outcomes and may result in the loss of life. We ask for your empathy and cooperation. Please do not target healthcare providers during the coming months and, if you target one unintentionally, please provide them with the

decryption key at no cost as soon as you possibly can. We're all in this together, right?"

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## Crypto to the Rescue After Khan Academy's COVID-19 Traffic Surge

Khan Academy is calling for fiat and crypto donations to help the platform stay afloat, following a 250% increase in traffic due to COVID-19.

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The founder of education platform Khan Academy has put out an urgent call for donations following a 250% surge in users due to the coronavirus crisis.

CEO Sal Khan asked users to donate fiat — or they can donate Basic Attention Tokens (BAT) via their Brave browsers — to help the platform stay open during the pandemic.

Khan said the surge was due to record numbers of students forced to stay home during lockdowns and social distancing requirements.

## A billion schoolkids are staying home because of COVID-19

Khan Academy is a non-profit organization that aims to provide a free, world-class education to anyone, anywhere.

> "I just wanted to give you a quick message, because I know in this time of crisis there's a lot of anxieties about health, about the economy and the fact that there are a billion students — and you might be one of them — who are not in school who otherwise would be."

Khan said the platform had a modest budget but reached every corner of the globe. He said it was already running at a deficit before

the current crisis put it under even greater financial strain:

> "Our budget is the budget of a large high school, but we reach a reasonable chunk of humanity and that chunk is getting even larger and folks need us even more in this time of crisis."

## Khan Academy accepts Basic Attention Tokens

Khan Academy is a Brave Browser/BAT Publisher, which means that they accept donations from Brave browser users. Catherine Corre, head of communications for Brave, told Cointelegraph that Khan Academy was a popular choice for BAT donations:

> "Brave users can send BAT donations to their favorite publishers via Brave Rewards. Users can tip, donate monthly, and contribute automatically based on browsing. They can donate the BAT they earned from viewing privacy-preserving Brave Ads, or they can purchase more BAT and add it to their Brave wallet for more donations."
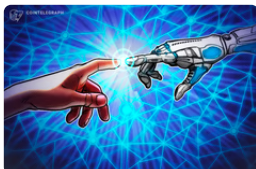
## Khan Academy is a Bitcoin supporter

In addition to other educational programs, Khan Academy has a substantial amount of content dedicated to Bitcoin (BTC), blockchain, and other crypto-related subjects.

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