NEworks website down due to cyber attack

(KLZA)-- The NEworks website — used by Nebraskans to file for unemployment benefits — has been shut down as a result of a cyberattack.

The Nebraska Department of Labor issued a statement Tuesday, saying the website is unavailable due to a national outage involving the department's web vendor, Geographic Solutions Inc. GSI reportedly discovered a cyberattack that required its state labor exchange and unemployment claims systems to be taken offline.

GSI has not provided a projection for when the problem will be resolved but indicated the site will be down for at least two more days, Labor Department spokeswoman Grace Johnson said in the statement.

She said that once access to the site has been restored, the state will issue instructions to ensure that all eligible users have an opportunity to file their unemployment claims.

The vendor has indicated that the attack affected only access to GSI online systems and that there was no evidence of user data being compromised.

Currently, the website informs visitors that it is temporarily down for maintenance.

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