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## [Ohio Gears Up Cyber Soldiers for Virtual Defense Tactics in 2020.](#)

- **Ransomware attacks on municipalities have surged in 2019**
- **Cyber group credit positive for Ohio municipalities: Moody's**

Cyberattacks in Ohio have disrupted airport flight displays, led to the shutdown of a help line during a winter storm and cut off access to police investigation reports temporarily.

The Buckeye State is fighting back.

Its first volunteer cyber reservists will be assembled in January, ready to parachute in to get local governments back up and running after computer systems are hacked. The move is among the latest defense plans of local governments across the U.S. as dozens of states and municipalities face cyberattacks this year.

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### **Bloomberg Cybersecurity**

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