

The Benefits Derived From The Use Of Security Management Software

Security Management Software enables security managers, as well as corporate officers to quantify the benefits derived from their respective security programs, as well as adjusting to new security threats at the incipient stage. Security management software also facilitates the documentation and evaluation of remedial actions that are taken in the wake of all security breaches. Security management software will provide security managers with quantitative data which is needed to make adjustments to ongoing security operations. Security management software also provides quantitative data necessary for the justification of security budgets. Security is a situational discipline, responsive to a dynamic threat environment.

When security breaches do occur, security management software packages facilitate the answering of the *who*, *what*, why and *when* questions as a matter of course. Consequently, this information subsequently provides a quantitative basis for the application, of relevant corrective actions, as well as the needed budgeting for the mitigation future of security events.

As security consultants, as well as in our role as expert witnesses, we have learned that corrective actions, in the wake of security related mishaps, are appropriate. It is also important to document these <u>corrective actions</u>. Most security management software packages facilitate these actions, and more. When corrective actions are taken, it becomes more difficult to for anyone to make the assertion of negligence down the road. Security is also a dynamic discipline that may require tweaking from time to time. This is another reason that security management software can be helpful. Security management software may also help to expose, otherwise missed subtle trends, both negative and positive.

As security professionals, we understand that our role is to speak the language of business, not vice versa. Security management software can be a vital component for the justification of security and loss prevention budgets. To some extent, security budgets are predicated on hypothetical assumptions. Security management software makes these assumptions less hypothetical. The application of security management software systems also supports the notion of factual realty when justifying security budgets.

The next time support is needed for the addition of security personnel, an access control system or video surveillance cameras, one must come to the table with authentic data, including trend analysis. Additionally, in the wake of a security breach, with security management software there is also documentation of relevant corrective action, therefore reducing potential of future claims of negligence.

Finally, when quantifying threat pursuant to data, consider the additional application of information provided by the **CAP Index**. If there is anything, we at **SMSI Inc.** can do to help,



contact us at any time for further information. If there is any good that has been derived from the current pandemic, and its direct and indirect impact on security programs in general, is the need for cost efficiency. Implicitly, security programs must continually to the ambient threat environment.

If your organization is contemplating a security review, we welcome the opportunity to support your efforts with a site-specific, need based, proposal. The ambient threat environment is always dynamic which necessitates periodic modifications to all security programs. <u>A reasonable standard of care is not a fixed variable</u>.

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