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PetSmart Charities Continues Partnership With Lazarus Alliance for PCI DSS Compliance and Security Testing

Lazarus Alliance will perform a PCI DSS QSA audit, as well as penetration testing and vulnerability testing, for PetSmart Charities.

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Lazarus Alliance, a leading cyber security, governance, risk, and compliance (GRC) firm, announces its continued partnership with [PetSmart Charities](#), an animal welfare nonprofit that saves the lives of homeless pets throughout North America. Lazarus Alliance will conduct PetSmart Charities' PCI DSS compliance audit and perform penetration testing and vulnerability testing.



The Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) is a proprietary information security standard developed and mandated by major global credit card brands, including Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover, and JCB. All organizations that accept or process these companies' payment cards must comply with PCI DSS, and compliance must be validated annually by an external Qualified Security Assessor (QSA) such as Lazarus Alliance.

"Lazarus Alliance has performed cyber security and compliance work for PetSmart Charities before, and we look forward to working with this terrific organization again," said Michael Peters, CEO of Lazarus Alliance. "Compliance and data security are just as important for charitable organizations as they are for profit-making companies. A single breach can irrevocably damage an organization's reputation, and the cleanup costs can be staggeringly high."

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In addition to the PCI DSS QSA audit, Lazarus Alliance will also be performing penetration testing and vulnerability scanning. PCI DSS mandates that vulnerability scanning be performed at least quarterly, and penetration testing at least annually.

To conduct the PCI DSS audit and security scans as quickly as possible and help PetSmart Charities maintain data security and governance between audits, Lazarus

Alliance will use the IT Audit Machine (ITAM) GRC software from [Continuum GRC](#). ITAM is a cloud-based solution that integrates IT governance, policy management, risk management, compliance management, audit management, and incident management. ITAM's easy-to-use, self-help modules encompass the full spectrum of regulatory and industry data security requirements, including PCI DSS.

"We used ITAM in our previous compliance work with PetSmart Charities, with great success," Peters noted. "We saved the organization a lot of time and money on the audit, and they were able to use ITAM to help maintain their compliance, data security, and governance moving forward."

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