



VLS FRAUD SOLUTIONS *Safeguarding Nonprofit Reputations and Resources*

## FRAUD RISK CHECK-UP AND ASSESSMENT

### An Expert and Professional Reality Check of the Health of your Anti-Fraud Program

Is your anti-fraud program providing you the protection you want? The Fraud Risk Check-Up and Assessment Service provided by VLS Fraud Solutions is an effective and cost-efficient way to assess your nonprofit organization's vulnerability to fraud, and to evaluate your existing anti-fraud program.

This check-up and assessment is conducted by our VLS Fraud Solutions multi-disciplinary team of fraud experts comprised of CPAs, Certified Fraud Examiners and former law enforcement investigators, including the FBI. This team is part of the firm of Vicenti, Lloyd and Stutzman, a leading business consulting and CPA firm with fifty years of experience in conducting business within the nonprofit, school and college environments. Your check-up and assessment is conducted at an affordable fixed fee with no hidden cost.

*"I found the Fraud Risk Check-up to be very informative and helpful, both in how and where we address changes. VLS had a good understanding of our industry and related well to our people."*

—Lori Gordien Case, Associate V.P. of Finance—University of La Verne

**For nonprofits, the stakes are too high.** Fraud steals precious resources as well as integrity, productivity, reputation, credibility and public confidence. Is your anti-fraud program providing the protection and the daily peace of mind you and your employees want? You want expert reassurance that your anti-fraud defense shields are tough, in place and working hard to protect your reputation and nonprofit organization. VLS Fraud Solutions understands what's at stake and we can work together to stop fraud from stealing from you.

**Minimum distraction and maximum results.** This check-up and assessment provides a penetrating and critical look at your current anti-fraud program and involves interviews of key personnel, review of documents, and certain analytical procedures—all conducted with discretion and minimal distraction to your organization. This assessment uses the most up-to-date professional tools, including the *Association of Certified Fraud Examiners' Fraud Check-Up*, as well as other proven methods and indicators for testing your vulnerabilities.



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*"The Fraud Risk Check-up is one of the most valuable fraud prevention resources available. It is a simple, yet powerful, test of your organization's fraud health designed to test your fraud prevention processes to help indemnify major gaps and fix them before it is too late."* —Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE)

This critical review process provides you with identification of fraud risks and the opportunity to fix potential fraud problems early. And it is an opportunity to establish a working relationship with Fraud Experts. Some of the benefits of this assessment to your nonprofit organization...

- Identifies measures to prevent a costly disaster and loss of reputation through fraud;
- Pinpoints opportunities to save money or maintain advantage using anti-fraud measures;
- Evaluates and determines if effective internal financial controls are in place;
- Assists in compliance with regulatory or legal requirements;
- Demonstrates your attention given and commitment to reducing risk of fraud;
- Promotes ethical reputation and high standards for everyone;
- Enables you and all those involved in your anti-fraud program to stay abreast of current fraud trends and standards.

**Results and Strategy.** Our expert staff will meet personally with you, present a detail briefing of the results of the assessment, and collaborate with you on solutions and strategies. You will be provided with specific measures to minimize your risk of fraud and increase the ethical culture of your nonprofit organization. You will be provided with recommendations for overall improvements to your anti-fraud program.

**Sending a positive message.** Take this opportunity to increase the confidence of your Board of Directors, volunteers, staff and the community as a whole. Your commitment to this assessment is a statement of commitment to a culture of ethical conduct—sending a clear and positive message about management's effort to prevent and detect fraud. It is also a great way to communicate about fraud and ethics to your Board and audit committee, and a pathway to collaboration with internal audit personnel.

Employees want to work in fraud free environments with trustworthy employees. They appreciate minimizing the risk of fraud and creating a culture of high ethics – preserving the culture, "I wanted when I started", for employees and staff. And they take pride in management who's setting a positive "tone from the top." This enables your employees to look forward to working in a positive environment. For you, this leads to an increase in productivity for all staff functions.

Your public integrity and confidence is your most important asset. Everyone feels reassured knowing they are conducting business with an ethical organization. They want to protect their investment in you. They want to know that you remain focused on delivering value. An efficient organization has ethical credibility, strong relationships and loyalty within the community (especially valuable when your organization may be seeking additional funding).

**FOR MORE INFORMATION** on VLS Fraud Solutions services—including our Fraud Alert Hotline, Investigation Services, and Ethics and Fraud Awareness Workshops—and to schedule your free consultation, please contact Linda Saddlemire, CPA, CFE or Ernie Cooper, CPA, CFE—our **VLS FRAUD SOLUTIONS ADVISORS**—at (626) 857-7500. Or e-mail Linda at [lsaddlemire@vlsllp.com](mailto:lsaddlemire@vlsllp.com) or Ernie at [ecooper@vlsllp.com](mailto:ecooper@vlsllp.com).



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