



## **Vulnerability Disclosure Program (VDP)**



# Digital transformation is pushing security objectives out of reach



# Even with countless security tools, organizations remain vulnerable

Avg. cost of a breach in 2021 was USD \$4.24 million





# Instead, your organization needs a proactive cybersecurity strategy





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# **Current Situation**

Insecure code creates vulnerabilities, which can then be exploited by malicious attackers. Organizations need a mechanism for accepting secure feedback.





## Vulnerability Disclosure Program (VDP)

#### "See Something, Say Something"

It is a process by which an organization can receive cybersecurity vulnerability reports from any external individual, whether it's a customer, a private security researcher or a good-faith hacker, a media or government body - via a dedicated channel.

Every VDP is different and should be tailored to the specific threat profile, regulation requirements, and assets of your enterprise.



## Vulnerability Disclosure programs help extend testing to cover all internet-facing assets, 24/7



### Save while reducing risk

VDPs are volunteer-based, findings are rewarded in recognition

#### Show customers you care

Demonstrate security maturity with a program that customers can see and understand

#### **Streamline remediation**

Integrate optimized security workflows with your SDLC, so bugs get fixed faster



# **One Platform, Many Solutions**





# **Bugcrowd in Your Layered Cybersecurity Architecture**



Proactive Security Threat Modeling, Policies, etc.

Bugcrowd adds: Security Knowledge Platform **Perimeter Security** Perimeter Firewalls, Secure DMZs, etc.

**Network Security** VPN, Mobile/Wireless Security, etc.

**Endpoint Security** Desktop Firewalls, Endpoint Security Enforcement, etc.

> App Security WAFs, Gateways, SAST/DAST, etc.

> Data Security Encryption, PKI, Data Integrity, etc.

Monitoring & Response SIEM, SOC, etc.





### Bugcrowd Solutions Work Together To Protect Your Organization

- → Prove to customers and partners that you have the most possible coverage: Meet specific testing requirements, continuously discover evolving security gaps, passively receive public reports, and understand attack surface at all times
- Share data about vulns, remediation, targets, etc. across all solutions
- Powered by a single platform for a unified customer experience
- Everything integrated in real time with your dev and security processes



# **Vulnerability Disclosure Program from Bugcrowd**

Bugcrowd's programs provide a framework to securely **accept**, **triage** and **rapidly remediate** vulnerabilities submitted from the global security community.



#### Program Onboarded

Bugcrowd documents your disclosure policy and sets up a secure channel

#### Vulnerabilities Discovered

Any external party identifies and reports a vulnerability

#### Feedback Accepted

The platform processes security feedback from external sources

#### Submissions Triaged

Our team prioritizes, validates and standardizes all incoming vulnerability reports

#### Findings Delivered and Accepted

Your team reviews valid, well-documented findings and confirms submissions

#### Workflows Automated

The platform orchestrates a remediation plan with your security team and systems



Bugcrowd offers multiple methods for managing VDP Submissions, including **enabling passive acceptance** from individuals already using your products or **proactively soliciting testing** via Bugcrowd's hosted form.

	Email Intake	Embedded Submission Form	Bugcrowd Hosted
Method	Passive	Passive	Active
Customer Value-add	Receive feedback <b>p</b>	Receive feedback + <b>Create</b> arameters for properly data entry	Feedback + Proper data entry + Greatest no. of submissions
Researcher Incentives	<ul> <li>Improve product or service</li> <li>Points</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Improve product or service</li><li>Points</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Improve product or service</li> <li>Points</li> <li>Easily find programs</li> <li>Build credibility and ranking</li> </ul>

# Why Bugcrowd's VDP Solution is Different

### → Better Results and Real-time Visibility

Bugcrowd VDPs receive **18x more** submissions on average, with results viewable in real time - resulting in increased visibility for researchers to make their submissions

### → Industry-leading Triage

Our global team of specialists rapidly validates and prioritizes submissions at **99+% SLA achievement** (with critical bugs handled in hours), so you can focus on remediation immediately

### → Platform Powered

The Bugcrowd Security Knowledge Platform offers a unified experience across multiple solutions (seamlessly integrated with your dev and security processes), and adds contextual insights based on a decade of experience managing 1000s of customer programs



# **VDP Best Practices**

### How to Start a VDP

# Decide on Self-Managed or Hosted

Organizations like Bugcrowd offer managed vulnerability disclosure programs to help **alleviate the time and effort** required to construct and run an effective disclosure program.



### **Codify expectations**

Organizations initiating a VDP should adhere to principles that **make the program scalable and robust.** 

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### **Expected to Iterate**

Lay out a timeline and allow time to build and review a data set.



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### **Be Accessible**

Give clear guidance around communications, within dedicated channels.



### **Factor in Respect**

A VDP should define clear disclosure standards based on good faith.



# **VDP Best Practices**

### Managing a VDP

- → Align expectations
- → Provide clear legal guidance
- → Ground interactions in good faith
- → Remediate efficiently

- → Start a dialogue
- → Troubleshoot the process
- → Take an integrated approach
- → Know your limits



