



Microsoft Intelligent Security Association





DATA SHEET

eSentire MDR for Microsoft for SLED Organizations

Complete Microsoft Ecosystem Visibility and Optimization

Centralize visibility and account for risks across your Microsoft cloud ecosystem. Get expert guidance and support from eSentire's Microsoft team to optimize your cybersecurity controls and overall posture.

Unparalleled Threat Response and Remediation

Build a resilient security operation by combining cutting-edge XDR technology and our security expertise to stop and remediate cyber threats across endpoint, email, and identity vectors.

Maximum ROI on Microsoft 365 Investments

Unlock the full potential of the controls and tools that exist within your investments in Microsoft 365 Defender and Microsoft Sentinel. Plus, our cybersecurity experts become a 24/7 extension of your team.

Highly Certified Microsoft Security Expertise

As an active member of the Microsoft Intelligent Security Association (MISA) we have achieved MXDR status with Microsoft and are a Microsoft Security Solutions Partner. We have managed 200+ Microsoft MDR deployments.

Your Challenges

Over the past few years, local governments have faced hundreds of cyberattacks from threat actors with the goal of exposing residents' sensitive information or shutting down critical infrastructure (e.g., 911 call centers and water treatment facilities). If their systems are compromised, it can lead to the loss of sensitive data, financial loss, and disruption of essential services. Additionally, cyberattacks on government agencies can impact public trust and confidence in these organizations.

Increasing geopolitical tensions are also prompting state and local government agencies to focus on their ability to prevent, withstand, and recover from cyberattacks. Local leaders have become more concerned about growing social engineering attacks and about increasingly sophisticated nation-state activities potentially directed against them.

With 90,000+ U.S. local government units serving millions of citizens who place an immense amount of trust in their local government agencies to provide essential services while safeguarding their personally identifiable information (PII), it's no wonder that U.S. state and local governments and education institutions (collectively known as SLED) are an attractive target for cybercriminals.

As a result, state and local officials must take action to protect critical assets from attack, understand the gaps between the actual cybersecurity practices of local governments and the cyber threat landscape, and understand the barriers that occur when developing, and implementing a cybersecurity program.

Why Invest in Microsoft Security Solutions

Many SLED organizations are rapidly shifting to the cloud as they prioritize speed, flexibility, scalability, and taking a cost-effective approach. Part of this transition includes an investment in Microsoft 365 G5 or A5, which includes the traditional Microsoft productivity applications and cybersecurity services, all based in the cloud.

There are three primary reasons why SLED organizations are increasingly relying on Microsoft 365:

- ✓ **Security tool consolidation**: Microsoft's security products allow teams to consolidate their spend to secure their endpoints, email, identity, SIEM, and cloud environments by implementing a zero-trust approach to their cybersecurity program all consolidated within a fully interoperable, easy-to-manage platform.
- Cost-effective security solution: Microsoft offers cost-effective Office 365 government plans that are designed specifically for the unique needs of government organizations in a "segmented government cloud community that enables organizations to meet U.S. compliance and security standards".
- 24/7 threat detection and response: Microsoft also gives security operations teams the power to identify, detect, and rapidly remediate attacks in their earliest stages. This enables your team to gain comprehensive visibility across the full ecosystem and the ability to initiate response actions directly within the tools themselves.

Introducing eSentire MDR for Microsoft

At eSentire, we share Microsoft's zero-trust approach to cybersecurity and firmly believe that you need a certified, experienced, and trusted partner to protect your investment in the Microsoft ecosystem. As part of eSentire MDR for Microsoft security solutions, we offer complete multi-signal MDR across your Microsoft Sentinel and Defender for Endpoint, Identity, Office 365, and Cloud Apps services.

eSentire MDR with Microsoft 365 Defender

Stop advanced threats and minimize the risk of business disruption across your users, endpoints, and cloud applications.

Microsoft Defender for Endpoint

Endpoint protection, detection, response, and remediation



Microsoft Defender for Office 365

Mitigate the risk of phishing and business email compromise



Microsoft Defender for Identity

Investigate and respond to compromised identities and insider threats



Microsoft Defender for Cloud Apps

Rich visibility into data and user activity across your cloud SaaS applications

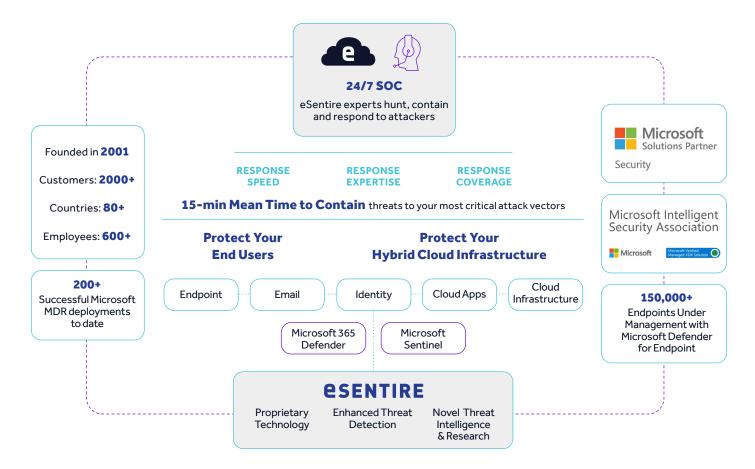
eSentire MDR with Microsoft Sentinel

Critical threat visibility and 24/7 monitoring across multi-cloud, and hybrid environments. Detect and investigate threats in:

- Azure Active Directory
- Microsoft Defender For Cloud
- AWS
- Google Cloud Platform
- Google Workspace
- Existing Security Controls and Network Infrastructure

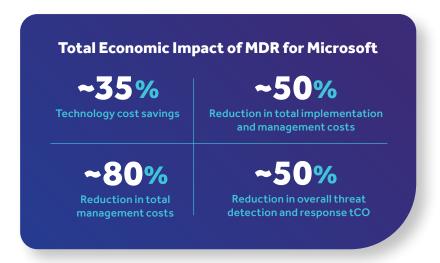
Our dedicated Microsoft security experts help you operationalize Microsoft 365 Defender and Microsoft Sentinel to onboard our services. eSentire MDR directly and securely connects to your Microsoft environment, taking full advantage of the mature security provider controls that exist within Microsoft's platform. Additional software or hardware is not required, so we're able to deliver faster time to value and minimize complexity.

Once connected, eSentire ingests signals from your Microsoft 365 Defender and Microsoft Sentinel tools, enriching them with unique threat intelligence learned from new and emerging threat detections across our global customer base of 2000+ businesses globally. Our 24/7 SOC Cyber Analysts and Elite Threat Hunters rapidly respond to and investigate threats across your Microsoft environments, with a Mean Time to Contain of less than 15 minutes.



Maximize Your Investment in the Microsoft Security Stack with eSentire MDR

eSentire MDR for Microsoft combines our multi-signal detection, 24/7 threat hunting, deep investigation, and industry-leading response capabilities with your existing investment in the Microsoft 365 Defender and Microsoft Sentinel. You can significantly reduce overall security spend and maximize ROI while substantially reducing risk of suffering a business-disrupting breach.



Managed Detection and Response Services that Meet Cybersecurity Insurance Requirements

eSentire's MDR services have been specifically designed to rapidly identify and contain advanced threats to reduce cyber risk. We maintain partnerships with leading cyber insurance providers as an MDR provider of choice and offer complete threat protection that meets insurance requirements and can reduce policyholder costs for state and local governments who are already grappling with budget constraints. Underwriters at cyber insurance organizations are looking to reduce policyholder risk and many times require policyholders to work with MDR providers like eSentire to develop and implement strong cybersecurity controls and governance.

Why Choose eSentire to Secure Your Microsoft Ecosystem

We are recognized globally as the Authority in Managed Detection and Response because we hunt, investigate, and stop known and unknown cyber threats before they become business disrupting events. We were founded in 2001 to secure the environments of the world's most targeted industry—financial services. Over the last two decades, we have scaled our cybersecurity services offering to hunt and disrupt threats across every industry on a global scale.

With two 24/7 Security Operations Centers (SOCs), hundreds of cyber experts, and 2000+ customers across 80+ countries, we have scaled to deliver cybersecurity services across highly regulated industries with a proven track record of success in securing state and local government agencies.

At eSentire, we go beyond the market's capability in threat response and specifically address cybersecurity risks for the public sector. eSentire's multi-signal MDR approach ingests endpoint, network, log, cloud, asset, and vulnerability data to enable complete attack surface visibility. Enriched detections from the eSentire Threat Response Unit (TRU) are applied to captured data identifying known & unknown threats including suspicious activity and zero-day attacks. Our SOC Cyber Analysts, and Elite Threat Hunters are mission-driven to put state and local government agencies ahead of business disruption. Powered by our industry-leading XDR cloud platform and unique threat intelligence, eSentire can detect and respond to cybersecurity threats in state and local government agencies with a Mean Time to Contain of 15 minutes.



Response and Remediation

We prioritize the R in MDR.
We actively respond to threats
on your behalf while the other
guys overload you with alerts to
investigate. That means we isolate
hosts, contain threats and remediate
security incidents across your
Microsoft suite.



Certified and Experienced

We are a Microsoft Security Solutions
Partner and are proud Microsoft
Intelligent Security Association
(MISA) members, demonstrating our
leadership in multi-cloud security and
Microsoft expertise. We've overseen
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deployments to date.



Unique Intelligence, Powered by our Threat Response Unit

Supercharge your Microsoft security investments with improved detection and response capabilities, our proprietary threat content, runbooks, and AI/ML innovations created by our elite Threat Response Unit (TRU).



Time to Value

Zero-install onboarding with time to value in days, not weeks or months. Disciplined service deployment and robust escalation processes to ensure complete response.



Complete Coverage

End-to-end cyber risk mitigation and coverage across our Exposure Management, Managed Detection and Response and Incident Response services.



Cost Effective

Leverage your existing licenses and investment in Microsoft to optimize your security posture with enhanced visibility, controls, and response capabilities.

Today we secure a growing list of customers in state and local government agencies including:



County and city governments



State boards



Law enforcement departments



State universities and community colleges



State supreme courts



Health and safety departments



Community commisioners' offices



School districts

At eSentire We Support State and Local Government Agencies By:

- Preventing operational disruption of internal and constituent-facing services through a combination of
 24/7 Managed Detection and Response, Exposure Management Services, and Incident Response Services
- Ensuring that any regulatory penalties and third-party costs associated with data breaches are minimized
- Ensuring your government agency remains compliant with stringent cybersecurity compliance and regulatory mandates
- Reducing your business risk by helping your team identify your critical sources of value, discover existing vulnerabilities, and address them based on what would have the worst impact to your organization
- Protecting your data and citizen data from ransomware attacks, third-party risk, data theft or exposure, and insider threats

Whether your assets are stored in the cloud, on-premises, or in a hybrid environment, we detect and contain threats that other MDR providers miss. Our global 24/7 SOCs have discovered instances of ransomware gangs targeting our state and local government agency customers and have interrupted their activities before they could establish a foothold by:

- Using endpoint protection to prevent the disabling of defenses
- Detecting malicious administrative activity through remote access tools using proprietary machine learning algorithms
- Blocking active attempts to deploy user credential collection tools, malware payloaders, and multiple ransomware attacks

Key State and Local Government Industry Challenges	How eSentire Managed Detection & Response Helps
Access to Confidential Information	Our 24/7 Elite Threat Hunters and SOC Cyber Analysts actively hunt for threats across your environment. We detect intrusions and contain attacks before data can be exfiltrated.
Operational Disruption and the Cost of Downtime	We detect malicious administrative activity through remote access tools and stop intrusions before malware can be deployed throughout your environment.
Protecting Against Supply Chain and Third-Party Vendor Risk	 We mitigate supply chain and third-party vendor risk. eSentire Exposure Management Service experts support in security assessments, testing and make strategic recommendations to offset risks for the state and local government industry. eSentire Managed Detection and Response has repeatedly caught and stopped vendor compromises before the vendor reported the vulnerability.
Preventing Ransomware Attacks	 We monitor your attack surface 24/7 to discover intrusion attempts, preventing the pervasive deployment of malware and ransomware. We support multi-signal coverage ensuring visibility across endpoint, network, log, cloud, and other data sources for deep investigation and kill-switch response capabilities. We offer endpoint protection to prevent your defenses from being disabled.
Avoiding Regulatory and Compliance Violations	Our 24/7 Global SOCs leverages proven run books which include detectors mapped to requirements and reporting measures for PCI DSS, CCPA, GLBA, SOX, NYCRR, HIPAA, as well as state-level regulations.







Ready to get started?

Learn how eSentire MDR for Microsoft can help you secure your Microsoft ecosystem and build a more resilient security operation. **Contact Us**

If you're experiencing a security incident or breach contact us 1-866-579-2200



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eSentire, Inc., the Authority in Managed Detection and Response (MDR), protects the critical data and applications of 2000+ organizations in 80+ countries, across 35 industries from known and unknown cyber threats by providing Exposure Management, Managed Detection and Response and Incident Response services designed to build an organization's cyber resilience & prevent business disruption. Founded in 2001, eSentire protects the world's most targeted organizations with 65% of its global base recognized as critical infrastructure, vital to economic health and stability. By combining open XDR platform technology, 24/7 threat hunting, and proven security operations leadership, eSentire's award-winning MDR services and team of experts help organizations anticipate, withstand and recover from cyberattacks. For more information, visit www.esentire.com and follow @eSentire.