

Identity Theft Expert: MyLaptopGPS™ Helps Laptops for the Wounded by Equipping the Nonprofit's Computers with Antitheft Security

(BOSTON, Mass. - April 29, 2008 - IDTheftSecurity.com) Today, MyLaptopGPS™ announced its relationship with Laptops for the Wounded to equip the charitable organization's laptop computers for injured U.S. soldiers with security technology that protects the machines from thieves. To date, MyLaptopGPS has equipped more than 80 mobile computers for Laptops for the Wounded with antitheft technology that allows users at once to delete and silently retrieve data stored on a lost or stolen machine.

"My military service, patriotism and love of America were the motivation for my involvement with Laptops for the Wounded," said Phil Drouin, vice president of Laptops for the Wounded and a member of its board. "My passion is helping my former brothers in arms who were wounded keeping America and her citizens free. MyLaptopGPS' generous donation has closed out an early concern of mine, which was the theft of laptops from the hospitals we donate them to." Drouin is also Information Technologies Project Manager for UnitedHealth Group.

Laptops for the Wounded is a charitable organization that provides hospitals for military personnel with free, webcam-equipped laptop computers. Soldiers wounded on the battlefield are then able to communicate with family as they recuperate far from home.

Last year, *The Associated Press* covered the organization's donation of 10 mobile computers to the Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C. In March of 2008, Laptops for the Wounded returned to Walter Reed with an additional 18 laptop computers, all equipped with MyLaptopGPS' security technology.

MyLaptopGPS combines Internet-based GPS tracking -- which, for tracking and retrieving stolen laptops, is more effective than other forms of GPS -- with other functionalities to secure mobile computing devices. Users launch MyLaptopGPS' features remotely, protecting data even while the machine is in a criminal's hands. Once connected to the Internet, the software silently retrieves, and then deletes, files from machines as it tracks the stolen or missing hardware -- at once returning the data to its rightful owner and removing it from the lost computer.

Readers may [download a demo](#) of MyLaptopGPS. A white paper [is also available](#).

"The loss of personal data to thieves can devastate anyone's finances," said Dan Yost, chief technology officer at MyLaptopGPS. "For a soldier wounded on the battlefield and in a hospital thousands of miles from home, this devastation can be especially catastrophic. It's the reason why MyLaptopGPS decided to donate laptop security technology to protect injured soldiers fortunate enough to have access to mobile computers from Laptops for the Wounded."

"Those who protect our country deserve the very best protection themselves," said Robert Siciliano, a widely televised and quoted personal security and [identity theft](#) expert and CEO of IDTheftSecurity.com. "MyLaptopGPS' generous contribution to a worthy cause promises to help spare countless military veterans from identity theft and other crimes."

According to *USA Today*, theft of personal data more than tripled in 2007. Readers may [view video of Siciliano](#) discussing this news on the new "FOX Business" network. To learn more about identity theft, a major concern for anyone who's lost a laptop computer to thieves, readers may go to [video of Siciliano at VideoJug](#).

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About MyLaptopGPS™

Since 1984, Tri-8, Inc. (DBA MyLaptopGPS.com) has specialized in complete system integration. From real-time electronic payment processing software to renowned mid-market ERP implementations, the executive team at MyLaptopGPS has been serving leading enterprises and implementing world-class data systems that simply work. With MyLaptopGPS™, Tri-8, Inc. brings a level of expertise, dedication, knowledge and service that is unmatched. MyLaptopGPS' rock-solid performance, security, and reliability flow directly from the company's commitment to top-notch software products and services for almost 25 years.

About IDTheftSecurity.com

Identity theft affects us all, and Robert Siciliano, CEO of IDTheftSecurity.com and member of the *Bank Fraud & IT Security Report's* editorial board, makes it his mission to provide consumer education solutions on identity theft to Fortune 500 companies and their clients. A leader of personal safety and security seminars nationwide, Siciliano has been featured on "The Today Show," CNN, MSNBC, CNBC, "FOX News," "The Suze Orman Show," "The Montel Williams Show," "Maury Povich," "Sally Jesse Raphael," "The Howard Stern Show," and "Inside Edition." The Privacy Learning Institute features him on its Website. Numerous magazines, print news outlets, and wire services have turned to him, as well, for expert commentary on personal security and identity theft. These include *Forbes*, *USA Today*, *Entrepreneur*, *Woman's Day*, *Mademoiselle*, *Good Housekeeping*, *The New York Times*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Washington Times*, *The Washington Post*, *Chicago Tribune*, *United Press International*, *Reuters*, and others.

For more information, visit Siciliano's [Web site](#), [blog](#), and [YouTube page](#).

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