

# JCC Upgrades Security With ID Scanning, Sex Offender Checks

The Mittleman Jewish Community Center has been a vibrant center of Jewish life in the Greater Portland area for more than 100 years. Their facilities include meeting spaces, a ballroom, a full-service fitness center, and a kosher restaurant.

## Mitigating The Threat Landscape

Sadly, threats against religious organizations such as JCC's, synagogues, and mosques have increased 40% in recent years according to the Anti Defamation League. So Mittleman JCC was keen to find a solution to improve security while continuing to foster a welcoming and inclusive environment.

*"We sought to verify identity of folks entering the building, and save that information in our cloud database. We also wanted to include screenings against the sex offender registry to provide extra piece of mind given that we have a child care center and are a family friendly campus,"* said Beth Germain, CFO of Mittleman JCC.



**Mittleman**  
Jewish Community Center  
At the Schnitzer Family Campus

## Key Security Benefits of ID Scanning

- Immediately capture an image of both the front and back of the ID
- Save the ID photo for easy visual lookup at a later date
- Stop previously banned guests from entering the JCC
- Integrate checks against state sex offender registries to keep criminals out of the facility
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## Mittleman JCC & Portland Jewish Academy Requirements

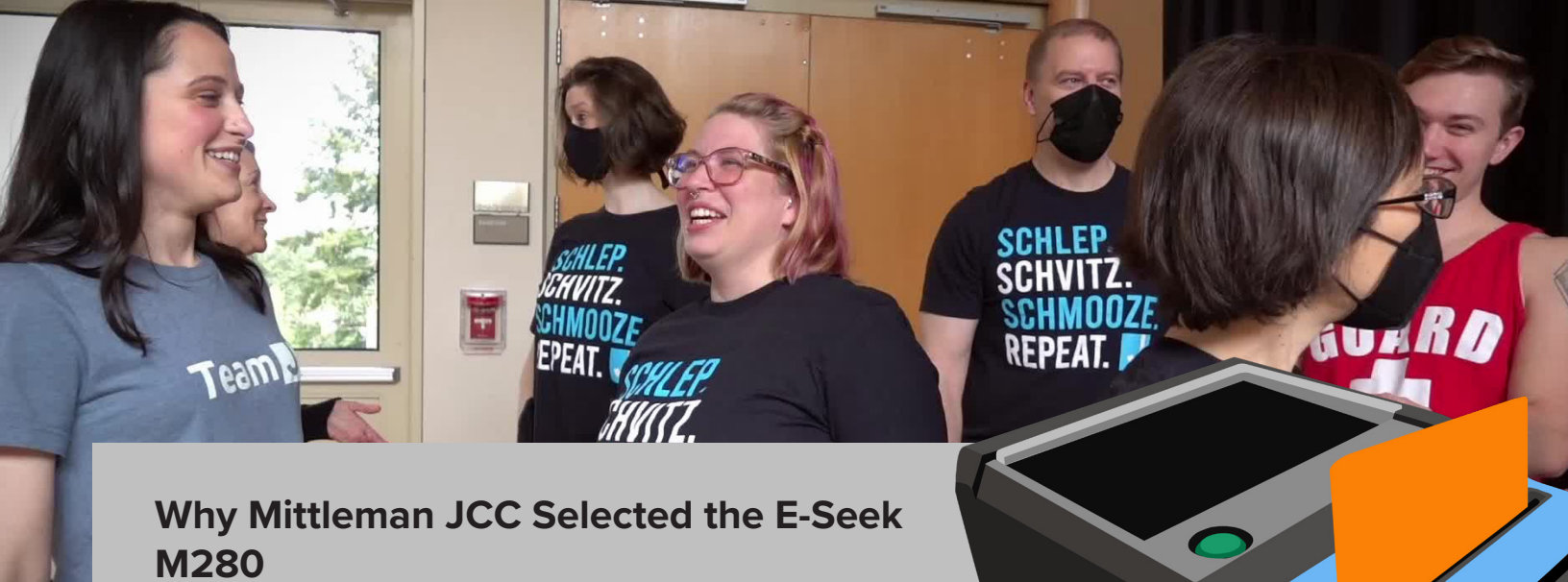
- Read 2D barcodes from physical and digital copies of US government IDs
- Capture the image on the ID
- Store ID data and image to their secure database for search by name, or visually browse based on photos
- Perform a third party check against nationwide sex offender registries in <3 seconds or less
- Immediately alert the staff if the ID is potentially fraudulent, or the guest does not pass a sex offender check

## Benefits of VeriScan

Mittleman JCC's scanner syncs with their centralized visitor management system, VeriScan Online. VeriScan works with all commonly sold scanners. VeriScan uses the scanning capabilities to check for anomalies in the 2D barcode, performing more than 100 checks for known fake ID "tells." Mittleman also operates the Portland Jewish Academy, and VeriScan Online allows for their system to sync and log visitors scanned at both locations.

In addition to scanning and verification, VeriScan performs ID parsing, taking fields stored in the barcode and converting them to readable data, which is quickly aggregated with 100% accuracy. This allows Mittleman JCC to easily collect names and demographic information about all of their guests.

While the Mittleman team looked at multiple vendors, they ultimately selected IDScan.net due to frequency of updates to the sex offender registry that provide the most up-to-date information on their visitors. Updates to the fake ID detection algorithms also ensure the system maintains a high degree of accuracy even as license and ID formats change.



## Why Mittleman JCC Selected the E-Seek M280

- Reliable and durable scanner that can handle a wide variety of ID formats
- Performs high resolution image capture natively when paired with VeriScan Online Enterprise

### Outcome

Mittleman has scanned more than 7,359 IDs at the entrance to their JCC and School since installing the M280's in 2021. Every visitor is additionally checked against national sex offender registries - this has flagged several patrons who were immediately flagged and prevented from entering the campus.

The additional layer of security has helped increase team and visitor feelings of security in an increasingly uncertain climate. IDScan.net has noticed a marked increase in ID scanning interest from JCCs and synagogues across the nation in response to rising security concerns. We are proud to help keep the Jewish community safe.

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