



## Customer Case Study

# Fulton County Implements SecureCheck for Greater Security, Productivity and Cost-Savings.

## SecureCheck-PRO™

Founded in 1850, Fulton County was comprised of portions of four counties in Ohio and part of Michigan. The county employs over 300 people and produces more than 1,000 accounts payable checks per month. Fulton County has been using the SecureCheck MICR check printing system since 2003. The SecureCheck system is installed on a Windows XP operating system and automates printing for 2,000 checks per month from 20 different county departments.

### **Business Situation**

The Fulton County Auditor's Office was using an outdated finance and payroll system that ran on a DEC VAX system. The system printed checks through a dot matrix printer and made check issuance a labor-intensive, manual process. Checks and forms were signed using a bursting machine that was accessible to anyone in the office. Individuals from each of the 20 county departments had to physically go to the Auditor's Office to complete the manual check process, which was tedious & time-consuming.

### **The Solution: SecureCheck**

After a thorough evaluation of software-based check printing solutions, Fulton County chose to implement the industry-leading SecureCheck system because of its ability to enable high security, reduce costs and increase productivity. The SecureCheck MICR check printing system offers unparalleled internal controls such as user security permissions, as well as printed-stub information and an audit trail for record keeping. SecureCheck software also prints to blank check stock, rather than pre-printed stock, which increases security while reducing the costs associated with the county's check issuance.

When discussing the security enhancements from SecureCheck, Doug Nafziger, IT Director for the Fulton County Auditors's office, explains, "You don't want just anyone getting in and printing checks. SecureCheck's layered user permissions add controls to our system access. Another great feature is the use of blank check stock instead of preprints. We now buy blank forms, which saves us money and we don't have to keep them under lock and key. The overall security of SecureCheck has significantly improved our process."

*"This solution was easily integrated with our existing software. AP Technology's sales and support staff have been extremely helpful and provided excellent turn-around time.*

*We are very happy with our decision to complement our finance and payroll package with SecureCheck. I would highly recommend this solution for any accounting department."*

- Doug Nafziger, Fulton County Auditor's Office

The system has allowed the various departments within the county office to become more efficient and productive. "Previously, everything had to be done within the auditor's office; by introducing SecureCheck technology, controlled access to payroll and invoice information is now available to all key individuals in the process. It's much more user friendly than our previous system. 20 different departments can now work independently and each department has access to necessary information. And data no longer has to be entered manually; it can be automated and imported for payroll and invoices."

### **About AP Technology**

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