

# Ascend Defend

## Guardian Security Suite

For organizations using Microsoft 365 E3 or E5, the built-in security tools—like Defender for Endpoint, Defender for Office 365, and Azure AD Premium P2—offer advanced capabilities. But without expert oversight, these tools often go underused or misconfigured. Ascend Defend Guardian fills that gap. Fully managed by our 24/7 Security Operations Center (SOC), Guardian delivers deeper threat detection, automated response, and full visibility across identities, endpoints, cloud apps, and email. It's built for businesses with strict compliance needs and complex environments that require proactive protection—without the burden of managing it all internally.



24/7 Security Operation Center



Identity Protection



Multi-Factor Authentication



Endpoint Detection & Response



Email Security



Security Information Event Management

## Services You Gain

### 24/7 Expert-Led Detection & Response

Our Microsoft-Certified Security Operation Center (SOC) operates around-the-clock to monitor your environment, proactively hunt threats, and swiftly respond to incidents—so your team doesn't have to.

### Unified, AI-Powered Protection

Powered by Microsoft's global threat intelligence and AI-driven automation, we deliver end-to-end visibility, fast threat response, and real-time isolation of compromised devices.

### Cost Efficiency & Maximized Investment

Get the most out of your Microsoft license by activating powerful built-in security tools—expertly configured, managed, and monitored by our team to eliminate wasteful spending on redundant platforms.

### Enterprise-Grade Partnership & Protection

Ideal for security-conscious and fast-growing organizations, Guardian pairs expert operations with a scalable cybersecurity framework—delivering enterprise-level protection without the enterprise-level complexity.

## The Ascend Defend Advantage

Powered by Microsoft

### Tailored Protection

As a Microsoft Solutions Security Partner, Ascend seamlessly incorporates premier solutions such as Microsoft Defender and Azure Sentinel into your IT infrastructure. Leveraging our expertise within the Microsoft ecosystem, our team configures and optimizes these solutions to fit your specific environment and security needs.

### Microsoft-Certified Specialists

Ascend operates a 24/7 US-based NOC and SOC team with additional monitoring from global cybersecurity experts. Our talented SOC team is backed by multiple prestigious Microsoft certifications, including Security Operations Analyst, Identity and Access Administrators, and Microsoft 365 Security Administration, among others. A high level of expertise ensures excellent service, as reflected in our glowing client testimonials.

### Expedited Priority Support

Our exclusive partnership with Microsoft support automatically ensures expedited issue resolution with preferred status. This means your tickets are handled with priority, starting at Level 2 (or Level 3 with justification), and providing comprehensive case management, escalation, and technical consultations for complex cases.

