

GIFTS 6.7.2, Plus Pack 5.3.1, and GIFTS Alta 1.8.2

Release Notes, January 2018

This document contains a summary of updates to the GIFTS family of products for January 2018, including:

1. GIFTS 6.7.2
2. GIFTS Plus Pack 5.3.1
3. GIFTS Alta 1.8.2

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Changes in These Releases

This update adds support for TLS 1.1 and TLS 1.2 to all of the internet-components of your GIFTS or GIFTS Alta software, ending support for TLS 1.0.

This update is critical as without it, parts of your software that connect to the internet, such as IGAM, the Tax Status Verify feature, and the Watchlists feature, will stop working. Your organization will need to complete all necessary upgrades to support TLS 1.1+ before March 8, 2018 to ensure your GIFTS or GIFTS Alta software does not experience any disruptions in service.

What is TLS?

TLS stands for "Transport Layer Security." It is a protocol that provides privacy and data integrity between two communicating applications. Per PCI requirements, TLS v.1.0 will be considered obsolete and put organizations at an increased security risk. The TLS encryption protocol upgrade is a mandatory, industry-wide security update, mandated by the PCI Security Standards Council and affecting a wide range of software solutions in your environment, not just Blackbaud solutions.

More information about the TLS 1.0 deprecation can be found here: <https://www.blackbaud.com/security/pci-compliance/upgrade>

How to update GIFTS, Plus Pack, or GIFTS Alta

Detailed instructions for upgrading your GIFTS or GIFTS Alta solution are available in the Upgrade Guide included your download of the installation files. To download the guide and installation files:

1. Visit [Blackbaud.com](https://www.blackbaud.com), and under Support, click Downloads.
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4. Download the zip file for the latest update

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