12 - Implement Azure Key Vault (5 min)

In this walkthrough, we will create an Azure Key vault and then create a password secret within that key vault, providing a securely stored, centrally managed password for use with applications.

Task 1: Create an Azure Key Vault

1. Sign in to the [Azure portal](#).

2. From the **All services** blade, search for and select **Key vaults**, then select ****+Add +New +Create ****.

3. Configure the key vault (replace **xxxx** in the name of the key vault with letters and digits such that the name is globally unique). Leave the defaults for everything else.

Setting	Value
Subscription	**Use default supplied**
Resource group	**Create new resource group**
Key vault name	**keyvaulttestxxx**
Location	**East US**
Pricing tier	**Standard**

   Note replace **xxxx** to find a unique name.

4. Click **Review + create**, and then click **Create**.

5. Once the new key vault is provisioned, click **Go to resource**. Or you can locate your new key vault by searching for it.

6. Click on the key vault **Overview** tab and take note of the **Vault URI**. Applications that use your vault through the REST APIs will need this URI.

7. Take a moment to browse through some of the other key vault options. Under **Settings** review **Keys**, **Secrets**, **Certificates**, **Access Policies**, **Firewalls and virtual networks**.

   Note: Your Azure account is the only one authorized to perform operations on this new vault. You can modify this if you wish in the **Settings** and then the **Access policies** section.

Task 2: Add a secret to the Key Vault

In this task, we will add a password to the key vault.

1. Under **Settings** click **Secrets**, then click **+ Generate/Import**.

2. Configure the secret. Leave the other values at their defaults. Notice you can set an activation and expiration date. Notice you can also disable the secret.

Setting	Value
Upload options	**Manual**
Name	**ExamplePassword**
Value	**hVFkk96**

3. Click **Create**.

4. Once the secret has been successfully created, click on the **ExamplePassword**, and note it has a status of **Enabled**

5. Select the secret you just created, note the the **Secret Identifier**. This is the url value that you can now use with applications. It provides a centrally managed and securely stored password.

6. Click the button **Show Secret Value**, to display the password you specified earlier.

Congratulations! You have created an Azure Key vault and then created a password secret in that key vault, providing a securely stored, centrally managed password for use with applications.

Note: To avoid additional costs, you can optionally remove this resource group. Search for resource groups, click your resource group, and then click **Delete resource group**. Verify the name of the resource group and then click **Delete**. Monitor the **Notifications** to see how the delete is proceeding.