# You Are Not Alone: Building and Thriving in the InfoSec Community



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#### Who's Aaron?

20+ years in information technology and cybersecurity.

VP of IT at Summit Credit Union

Board member @ WICTRA

Past President @ ISACA Madison

Speaker, mentor, and community builder

Loves distilling complex problems into practical solutions (and dad jokes)

Bunch of abcd, efgh certifications.

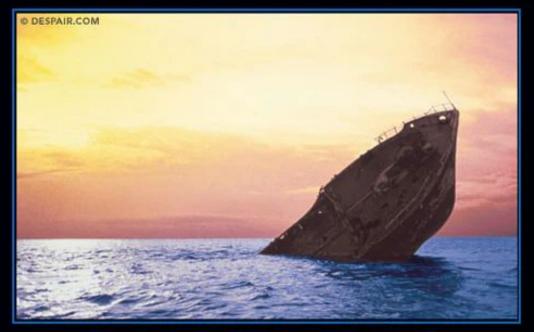


### The lone wolf problem.



### What Community Actually Gives You





### MISTAKES

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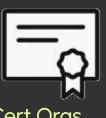
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Online Spaces



Cert Orgs

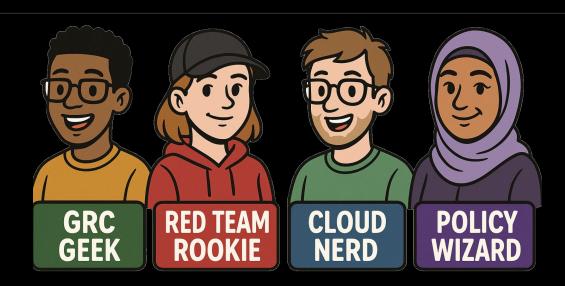
## Secret weapon:



The Myth of Being Ready:

### You are ready enough!

### Find your team.







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Milwaukee Information Security Group

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### Take the next steps.



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### Links

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