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| This guide walks you through using the Security Command Center API to create a source for an organization to generate findings. When you add a source, Security Command Center creates appropriate sources and assigns them the relevant permissions. |
| Before you set up a source, you'll need to complete the following:  |
| Set up a service account (/security-command-center/docs/how-to-programmatic-access)   |
| This example shows to create a source with a specific display name and description that will be used in the Security Command Center dashboard.  |
| The source's ID is automatically assigned by the server.  |

You can update a source's display name and description after it's created. You can also use a field mask to update only one field. The example below uses a field mask to only update the display name, leaving the description unchanged.

| You can verify that a source was created or updated appropriately by querying Security Command Center with the source's absolute resource name: |  |
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| Security Command Center enables you to list a specific source, and to list all sources currently | , |
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| available in an organization:  |   |
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