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Overview

Code Storage For VB was developed to store all (or most) code related items...procedures, declarations, constants, types...in one simple, quick-access program with several useful features but not loaded down with the "kitchen sink".

You can add your own procedures (subs and functions) and include notes and comments, which can be quickly copied to your project along with the procedures with one click of a button (two clicks in VB 3.0). If you use specific API Declarations and Global Constants for certain procedures, they can be included with the procedure and will automatically be inserted in the proper section of the module or form you select. You can also easily edit any of your saved procedures.

All Windows API Declarations, Constants and Types are included with quick access to any of them. The Win32 API is included with the 32-Bit version of *Code Storage For VB* and the Win31 API is included with the 16-Bit version. These Declarations, Constants and Types are taken from the help and text files that accompany Visual Basic so they should be at least as accurate as these files. The new VB Constants are also included in case you can't remember the exact constant or spelling of a constant for a specific need. When using these VB Constants you simply highlight the constant then copy it to the clipboard to be pasted into your project where you want it.

Although *Code Storage For VB* only allows you to edit or add your own procedures, you can add descriptive information or comments to any of the other items for your own reference.

Even though all of this information is available to you now, it is NOT "under one roof". Now you can just open *Code Storage For VB* and quickly find that function you need or the API items you need without a major effort. And in VB 4.0 (32-Bit), you can set it up as an add-in and minimize the program to the taskbar tray to keep it readily available yet out of the way.

Why fumble around with two or three programs and files to find that code you've used before when you can store it all in *Code Storage For VB*?

Installation

16-Bit Version

This is a stand-alone program developed for use with VB 3.0. There is no special installation of this version.

32-Bit Version

This version can be used as a stand-alone program (under Windows 95 and probably Windows NT) or as a VB 4.0 (32-Bit) add-in. To enable the program as an add-in you must first start (double-click) the included program CSADDIN.EXE. This will register *Code Storage For VB* with the necessary information that will be used by VB 4.0. Once you have done this, open VB 4.0 and select the Add-Ins menu item. *Code Storage For VB* should now be listed on this menu. If not, select Add-Ins...Add-In Manager and see if *Code Storage For VB* is listed. If so, then check the box next to it. If it is not listed you should close VB 4.0 and start the CSADDIN.EXE program again.

Procedures

The 16-Bit and 32-Bit versions of *Code Storage For VB* are almost identical in their operation but any difference will be noted.

Procedures

The first group of available items in the selection group is the Procedures list. There are currently a few basic procedures that come with *Code Storage For VB* to show you how the program is used and the format. (These procedures are not meant as the "best" way to do something in VB although they are functional procedures. Any similarity to other procedures is coincidental).

When using the program as a stand-alone, you can click the COPY button (or EDIT...COPY ITEM menu item) and the procedure will be copied to the clipboard to be pasted into your VB project. You can then select the Declarations section of the form or module where you want the procedure and paste it there. The Declarations and Global Constants that you might use will be listed in that section and your new procedure will have been added to the module or form. Currently, only Global Constants and Declarations are pasted into the Declarations section...form or module-level constants and variables are not (procedure-level constants and variables are OK).

When the menu item FILE...INSERT COMMENTS is checked, the notes from the Description/Comments section of the program are added to the procedure as a comment. When the menu item FILE...SHOW COPY MESSAGE is checked, each time you copy a procedure (or other item) to the clipboard a message box pops up to tell you that this was done. The Windows CTRL-C key function to copy highlighted text to the clipboard is still functional if you only want to copy selected text. (In other words, CTRL-C will not copy the procedure to the clipboard...only the highlighted text).

The best way to enter a NEW procedure is to click the New button then enter the title you want to give it then any notes or a description for it. Then, select the procedure and copy it from your VB project where it is now used then paste it into the procedure section of *Code Storage For VB*. Since you're probably already using it and know it works, you shouldn't have any typo's doing it this way and the formatting you used doesn't change.

You can DELETE or EDIT any procedure in *Code Storage*. Once you have made any changes to an existing procedure you can save these changes by pressing CTRL-S or clicking the menu item FILE...SAVE CHANGES. To change the name of an existing procedure, just double click its title and an edit box will pop up to enter the new name/title.

When the 32-Bit version of *Code Storage For VB* is used as a VB 4.0 add-in, an additional button is available to INSERT/PASTE the selected procedure or item directly into the declaration section of the current form or module. This just eliminates one step of the copy and paste process.

Windows API

Code Storage For VB stores the standard Windows API Declarations, Constants and Types for quick reference in an MS Access database (Version 7.0 for 32-Bit and Version 2.0 for 16-Bit). The 32-Bit version also stores the new VB constants by category, each listing the VB constants for that category.

The Windows API and VB Constants cannot be changed or deleted through *Code Storage For VB* and you cannot add new items to these groups. You can, however, add a description to each one that can help you easily determine its use. (You can edit or add to these items through the MS Access database program if you need to, although it should not be necessary).

You can select a Declaration, Constant or Type then copy it to the clipboard by clicking the Copy button or in VB 4.0 you can insert it into your selected module or form by clicking the Paste/Insert button. This will paste the item into the declarations section of the current form or module.

Technical Support

The best way to receive technical support for *Code Storage For VB* is via e-mail with CompuServe or the Internet. You should receive a response within 24 hours.

Send a message with complete details of the problem to:

Internet: **mg72144@mindspring.com**
CompuServe: **72144,1537**

You can also send regular mail (if you have the time) to:
        Michael Grice
        3036 The Falls Parkway
        Duluth, GA 30136

Registration

Pricing and Availability

Code Storage For VB is NOT freeware.

If you like the program you should pay for it by registering with the author in one of several ways described below.

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