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Does my business need a server?

Most businesses start out with just one or two computers and a need to share resources such as internet and network printers so they just set up a basic peer-to-peer network. Once you grow beyond 2 or 3 pcs on the network it's time to considering investing in a server and implementing a true client/server network for your business. Some of the benefits you will realize include:

Security

When you have your valuable business data stored on multiple PCs throughout your network you are playing Russian Roulette with one of the most valuable assets your business has—your data. A server gives you a central place to store your data making it much more practical to back up. Also when an individual PC fails you can have that worker back up and running quickly if their data is stored on a central server that can be accessed from another PC on the network.

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Also each user can have levels of access that you determine. This restricts your confidential documents only to the employees that you choose.

Reliability

Most servers are equipped with redundant hard drives (referred to as RAID) and redundant power supplies. What this means to you is when a hard drive or power supply fails your business will keep on trucking. If you have your data stored on a PC and the hard drive fails—you are out of business for the foreseeable future.

VPN

A server gives you the ability to set up a virtual private network which allows computers in different locations to work together. Accessing your important data from a remote office or being able to work from home in the event of a sick child or poor weather can be a real life saver sometimes.

Email

Having a server gives you the opportunity to host your own email. One of the benefits of this is email on a server can be easily backed up. Many business we consult with may have a back up system in place but they are using Gmail, Verizon, yahoo or some other POP3 email service and no one is backing up their email. Consider for a moment if you walked in tomorrow, turned on your PC and all of your mail—sent, received and stored was gone. If that scenario scares you you may want to ask us to check the status of your email and other data back ups.

Sticker Shock

Many business owners will read this article and say, “That’s great but times are tight, and that sounds expensive... I’m sure I can’t afford a good server for my business”

We have developed a program where most businesses can implement a new server and have it up and running for about \$160 per month.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT IMPLEMENTING A SERVER FOR YOUR BUSINESS OR ANY OTHER IT RELATED QUESTION JUST SHOOT US AN EMAIL:

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THANK YOU!

Thank you for taking time to read this newsletter. At ABS we want to be a resource to help your business prosper. If you have any questions we are here for you:

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