

How Technology Can Save Money

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Social Network Sites

Use these free services to send information to the Public or your employees.

(Beware of privacy issues and ownership)

- Facebook
- Twitter
- YouTube

Networks

- Simple Network - Two computers and a printer (No need to buy two printers)
- Two computers, a printer, and a scanner (use the scanner to create electronic files for ease of filing and searching. Less time to look up information for the public or auditors.)
- Complex network covering multiple departments – collaboration of data and information (GIS, accounting, email, backups)

Virtualization

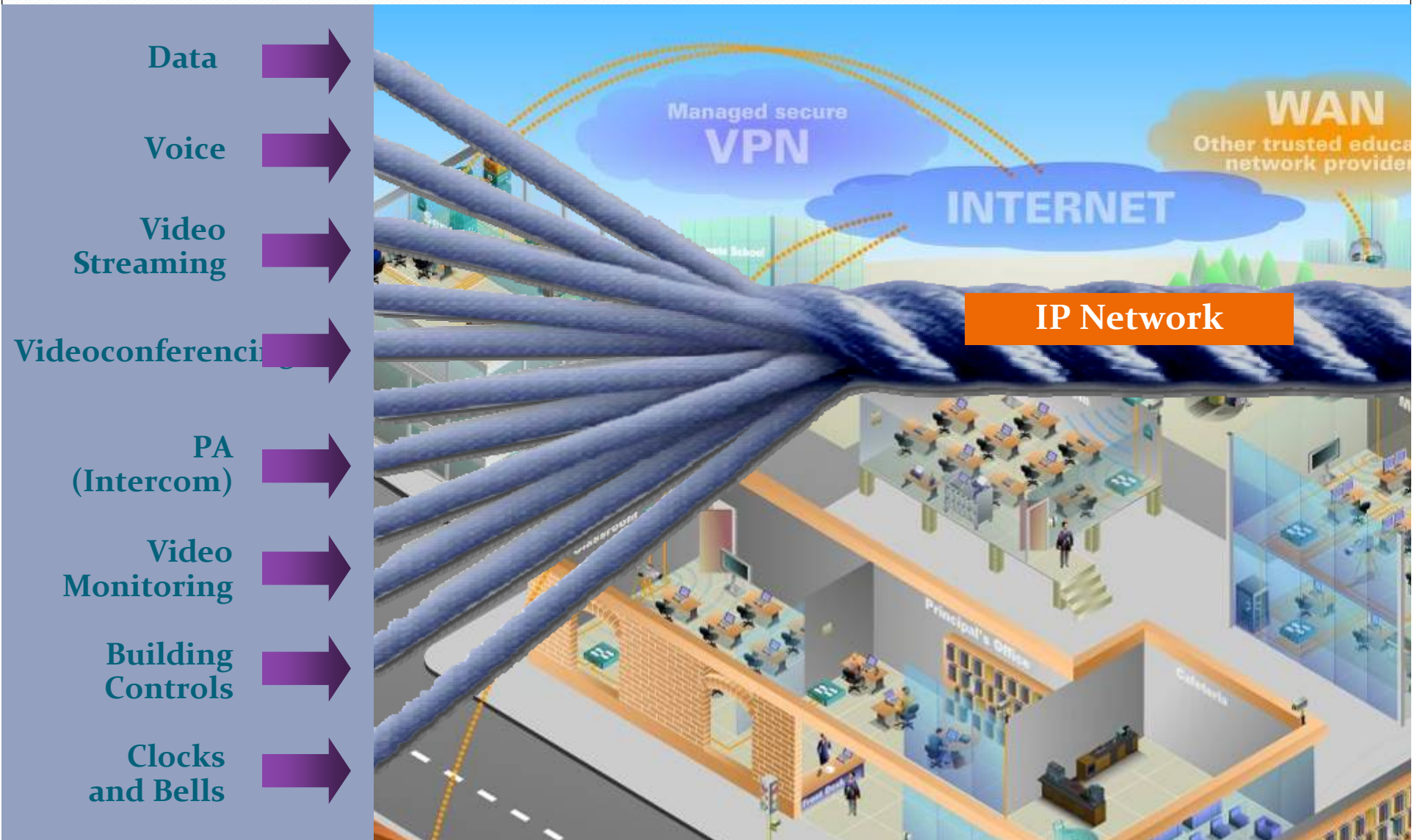
❖ **Multiple servers migrated to 3-4 servers**

Savings on power consumption, easier to administrate, requires less backup units, redundancy built-in, centralized data

Limestone County is in the process of migrating to a virtualized environment and should be completed within the next two years.

Will move from 18 servers to 3 servers.

VoIP – Voice over IP





VoIP

Local Cisco Government Customers in North Alabama

- Limestone County
- Limestone County Sheriff's Department
- Morgan County
- Morgan County Sheriff's Department
- City of Decatur
- City of Madison
- City of Huntsville
- City of Florence
- Florence Utilities
- Decatur Utilities
- Madison County District Attorney's Office

What Happened In Limestone County?

- Initial savings of \$2,000 per month / \$24,000 per year on VoIP install

Implemented video arraignment and able to:

- Reallocate \$34,939 per year / \$661.00 per week and lowered county liabilities by eliminating transfer of prisoners for arraignment. (Based on 10 hearings per week average.)
- This reduced the arraignment process from 3.5 hours and 2 guards down to approximately 30 minutes and a single guard
- Reallocate \$68,360 per year plus 110 miles of travel per hearing. (Based on 2 hearings per week.) Reduced arraignment time from 4 to 5 hours down to approximately **15 minutes**. (voters kids incarcerated less time waiting for Release Hearing.)
- Received the Smart Government Award from RDC for 2009
- Recognition and articles in 9 magazines.



Q&A

Looking for members to join and
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