The OnPar Report

"Insider Tips to Make Your Business Run Faster, Easier and More Profitably"

Advanced Threat Protection

Don't let cyber criminals get into your network through phishing schemes. Make sure you have the necessary security measures in place to protect your business! With O365 Advanced Threat Protection and Multi-Factor Authentication you can experience:

- Secure mailboxes protected against threats
- Protection against unsafe attachments
- More security with fewer hoops
- Threat mitigation with real-time monitoring

Build an email defense fortress now, learn more at:
http://www.onpartech.com/defense/

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Our Mission: To help our partners transform by implementing innovative technology that is simple, lean and integrated, provide a service and support experience second to none, and build a company that employees are proud to work for and one in which customers trust and enjoy doing business with.

Safeguard Your Business During October's National Cybersecurity Awareness Month!

What does Safeguard Your Business mean?

Lost or stolen mobile devices can result in lost company files and data. Malicious hackers or malware can disrupt business and steal critical data and systems can go down unexpectedly. But you can help keep your data protected, control access to information, and restore your systems with technologies built with your security in mind.

Employees want the freedom to access the applications and data they need on whatever PC or device they choose-- whether at the office, at home, or on the road. At the same time, you need to make sure data is protected and available only to the people who should have access.

The manageable side of risk management

Microsoft and OnPar Technologies provide built-in security features at every level of your technology platform, from mobile devices to PC's to servers. Because it is Microsoft, you have peace of mind that it works together - and that the right people can access files and information. Microsoft and OnPar build resiliency and recovery capabilities into its products and technologies, from server to the cloud, to PCs and devices so you can be confident your business can get back up and running, even if a disaster strikes the main office.

Get modern protection for evolving threats, with solutions that help protect your business data and minimize the disruptions caused by unexpected events. With Microsoft, enterprise-grade

protection is built into its technologies so you don't have to think about it. From advanced data protection to solutions that help you recover quickly from unexpected events, get technology that is designed to safeguard your business.

How to safeguard your business

1. **Protect Mobile Devices:** Use features built into Windows 10 Pro and Office 365 to lock devices, reset a user's PIN, and remotely delete information from a lost or stolen device.

2. **Customize Security:** Choose the level of security and privacy you need. You can customize security by user, by device and by location in Office 365.

3. **Control access to your business apps:** Get to important applications and information wherever you are. Sensitive data is kept on Windows Server 2016 where it is secured and backed up.

4. **Simplify managing mobile devices:** Take advantage of a single platform and easy-to-use tools to proactively manage desktops and devices using Windows 10 Pro, Office 365, and Microsoft Intune.

5. **Get automatic, always-on protection:** Get robust spam and virus protection with continuous updates in Office 365. Guard PCs and devices with built-in device security in Windows 10 Pro.

6. **Continuously back up your latest files:** Using OneDrive for Business and Microsoft Azure you always have access to your business-critical information. And Windows Server 2016 automatically saves your files to a second datacenter.

7. **Get back to business quickly:** You get disaster recovery technology included in Windows Server 2016 and with Azure Site Recovery in the cloud.

8. **Count on the reliability of the cloud:** Get right back to work when you rely on the financially backed 99.9% uptime service guarantee for Microsoft online services like Office 365 and Microsoft Azure.

Office 2007 is Expiring!

Beginning October 10, 2017 Microsoft Office 2007 will reach its "End of Life." On that date, organizations who stay with the product will have to adapt to a life that is missing a lot of what they currently depend on. These include the following:

- Security and non-security updates
- Technical content updates
- Free and paid support options
- Guaranteed integration with other Office products
- Outlook 2007 connection to Office 365 or to Exchange Server 2016

Office 365 is built for todays world and making the switch is much easier than you might think!

It's a big deal to move from (on-premise) Office 2007 to (cloud-based) Office 365. OnPar Technologies has the expertise to guide you at every point along the way to help you succeed.

We can also help you take advantage of Microsoft FastTrack for Office 365- a comprehensive guided online experience for planning, on-boarding, migration and user adoption assistance. Use it to identify and prioritize key scenarios and stakeholders; build a customized, shareable success plan; get assistance from FastTrack engineers; and deploy pre-built assets to inform and train your users.

If you are still using Office 2007 and worried about losing your support and features or if you aren't ready to switch but need more information then go to: **http://www.onpartech.com/office-2007/**

Gold
Microsoft Partner

OnPar is a gold certified Microsoft Partner and has won the 2017 SMB East Region Partner of the Year

Our Featured Case Study: Fitch Consulting!

FITCH consulting
Developing Purpose-Driven Organisations

Fitch Consulting delivers specialized, bespoke advisory services to bilateral and multilateral development agencies, governments, business, and not-for-profits. Their services are designed to improve the ability of people and organizations to transform the lives of the poor and disadvantaged. A significant part of its work is for agencies that fund humanitarian and international development work (including various parts of the United Nations such as UNICEF and UNDP) throughout the world, as well as organizations involved in the performance of such work.

Fitch Consulting creates value for their stakeholders from the knowledge they acquire and develop. In order to manage that knowledge they had implemented a robust framework. However, as Fitch Consulting continued to grow one of their critical challenges was the ability for diverse stakeholders to access that framework and collaborate around that knowledge.

Essentially, they needed a platform that included a document sharing and collaboration tool to better accommodate the sharing of information to their stakeholders. For 15 months Fitch Consulting had been looking for a solution. While they had already acquired SharePoint through their O365 subscription, they needed to decide whether it was the best application to accommodate their needs while getting the maximum benefit from the app. With limited experience and understanding of SharePoint, and unsure of it's potential, they decided to invest in outside expertise.

Read more at: **http://www.onpartech.com/fitch-consulting/** to find out how OnPar implemented SharePoint for Fitch Consulting.

Monthly Security Tech Tip

The Latest Phishing Scam involves Hurricane Harvey!

The US Computer Emergency Readiness Team has issued a statement warning users of cyber-activity seeking to capitalize on interest in Hurricane Harvey. It is imperative to remain cautious in handling any email with subject lines, attachments or hyperlinks related to Hurricane Harvey, even if it originates from a trusted source. These fraudulent emails will often contain links or attachments that direct users to malware-infected websites. Emails that request donations from duplicitous charitable organizations commonly appear after natural disasters.

If you are concerned that you have been a victim of this attack please contact OnPar Technologies today. Go to: **www.onpartech.com/defense** to learn more information on the best way to protect your business.

Insider Debunked: Common Cybersecurity Myths

Around the globe, cybersecurity is a constant headline in the news. What is the digital norm everyone's talking about and what can we do to stay safe and secure in this ever-changing connected world? OnPar will explore 3 common cybersecurity myths and arm you with the resources to fight back with strong cybersecurity defense.

1. **Myth: I'm not a large enterprise, hackers won't attack me.** Did you know 61% of data breach victims this year are businesses with under 1,000 employees? Hackers are smart and sophisticated, but they're also looking for something quick and easy. Small and medium sized businesses who believe they are not at risk, tend to not invest as much in cybersecurity; thus, making them an easier target. No one is exempt from cyber attacks, it is crucial you are educated and prepared if something does happen.

2. **Myth: I don't have the funds or resources for cybersecurity.** It might feel like you're not in a financial position to invest in cybersecurity yet- but have you stopped to think about the cost implications of a breach? There is loss of business due to reputational damage, legal fees, loss of competitive edge, and so much more at stake. Cybersecurity Ventures predicts $1 trillion will be spent globally on cybersecurity from 2017 to 2021. Ensure you are a part of that investment so you don't get left behind.

3. **Myth: Technology will fix everything.** It's true that customers need robust technology systems and tools to be prepared against cyberthreats, but it's also critically important to focus on education. If employees are properly trained to detect a scam or raise a suspicion, that can prevent an attack before the malware is in the system. Train your staff to identify cybersecurity threats and handle sensitive information appropriately to reduce the risk of a breach.

To learn more about cybersecurity, download our free executive brief "The 7 Most Critical IT Security Protections Every Business Must Have In Place" at: **http://www.onpartech.com/cybersecuritytips/**

October Is National Cybersecurity Awareness Month!
Make Sure You Are Prepared!

Take Advantage Of Our Free Cybersecurity Audit!

Hackers are launching increasingly sophisticated attacks on businesses that lack appropriate protection solutions. And if your business is affected operations could be halted or severly limited for days, possible weeks. You data could be corrupt to the point of being useless. Clients lost.

That's why we are offering businesses a free comprehensive cybersecurity IT audit that will reveal common security loopholes cybercriminals use on a regular basis to get around firewalls and antivirus software to gain entry to your computer network.

At no cost or obligation to you, our IT technicians will conduct a comprehensive cybersecurity audit to uncover loopholes. We will then prepare a customized report of findings that will reveal specific vulnerabilities and provide a prioritized action plan for getting this issues addressed.

You can sign up for this October offer at: http://www.onpartech.com/notjustlucky/

The cyber security audit will reveal where your computer network is exposed and how to protect your company now. The audit requires a domain and is limited to new clients with 10 pc's or more.