

NCOL Internet attains simplicity and clarity in IT infrastructure administration saving over \$30K with StarWind Virtual SAN (VSAN)

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About the Company

NCOL Internet is a Canadian company based in Vancouver that develops custom web applications for streamlining business processes, improving workflows, and managing data.

Company Profile

Custom Web Application Development

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Problem

The company wanted to get rid of costly operations and administrative overhead associated with managing DFS installations.

Solution

Thanks to StarWind, the company got a reliable and cost-effective centrally managed shared storage solution achieving ease of IT infrastructure management.

Problem

Before StarWind Virtual SAN (VSAN) deployment, an IT infrastructure of NCOL Internet consisted of on-premises Windows servers kept in sync with Microsoft Distributed File System (DFS) and Hyper-V on top. Constant data duplication and the administrative overhead of managing many DFS installations were the company's main problems that required the first-priority solution. The creation of reliable virtual storage for web server virtual machines (VMs) at an affordable price would allow NCOL Internet to free itself from the burden of time-consuming and costly operations associated with the administration of existing IT infrastructure.

Solution

NCOL Internet has chosen **StarWind VSAN** to build an easy-to-handle high-availability cluster. Cost and responsive support team were decisive factors for choosing the StarWind solution. A lot of useful information published in the StarWind blogs and support articles was another important point that tilted the balance in favor of StarWind. In contrast to the head-scratching administration of the DFS, StarWind VSAN is managed through user-intuitive built-in StarWind Management Console. Thanks to StarWind, NCOL Internet receives a reliable shared storage solution for its web server VMs humming along smoothly and fulfilling all the company's objectives. With StarWind, the company saved over \$30,000 versus the cheapest SAN setup for its new cluster. That is why NCOL Internet recommends the StarWind product to all organizations that self-host their applications.



StarWind provided a reliable and centrally managed file storage solution for our web server virtual machines.

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