NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION INVESTS IN A BRIGHT FUTURE WITH NETAPP SOLUTIONS AND MERIDIAN IT SERVICES

CHALLENGE

A non-profit organization was missing opportunities to serve up data to its employees faster and more reliably. To give users the tools to work as productively as possible, the organization sought a powerful and simple-to-manage server, networking and storage solution to run its core applications. At the same time, they wanted to reduce the risk of data loss by enabling live patching and non-disruptive scaling—capabilities that were missing from its existing infrastructure.

> " The consistency of Meridian IT's support no longer surprises me because it's what I've come to expect from them. We can always rely on Meridian IT to give us fast, honest responses to our questions and make recommendations that deliver real business value."
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> —Client spokesperson

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SOLUTION

The non-profit organization asked Meridian IT to advise on an infrastructure solution that would offer new value to its workforce. Meridian IT proposed FlexPod, a complete data center stack combining NetApp storage with Cisco servers and networking components. The organization was convinced by the validated design, plus Meridian IT's assurance of a smooth migration. Meridian IT and NetApp also brought in specialists to win over the Oracle database team, demonstrating that NetApp storage could offer greater performance for the business-critical environment.

Meridian IT helped the non-profit overcome some roadblocks, including a power outage, during the deployment with minimal impact on operations. The FlexPod was in production within a month, and the management team reported that it was the fastest implementation of its kind they had seen.

Today, the organization can easily roll out patches and add capacity, all without downtime. Since the initial deployment, they engaged Meridian IT to extend the architecture to include eight NetApp controllers. It is also working on refreshing its development environment with NetApp technology and Meridian IT expertise.

BENEFITS

✓ **Enhanced performance to <1 millisecond latency**
Meridian IT helped the organization boost performance across its application landscape, giving users consistently short response times so they can work effectively.

✓ **Increased storage utilization by an average of 30%**
Through NetApp deduplication and compression features, Meridian IT delivers storage efficiencies that help the organization make better use of resources.

✓ **Ongoing support**
Meridian IT enables awareness of new technology releases without over- or under-selling. Every six months, they conduct a proactive Health Check Service suggesting continuous improvements throughout the environment.

Contact Meridian IT today to find out how NetApp solutions could benefit your business—**there may be performance enhancements and cost savings waiting for you!**

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