

Cal Farley's Trusts Cyberoam with Secure Inter-office Connectivity and Security



Case Study



Cal Farley's

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& Family Resource Centers

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Organization

Cal Farley's

Country

USA

Industry/ Vertical

Non-Government Organization



The Cal Farley's Challenge

To facilitate the current trend of fancy gadgets that enable youngsters to constantly be online, Cal Farley's provides Internet connectivity in their premises. It is also required for communication between their various campuses. "Today, Internet is a need for everybody at all times. Hence, we must ensure that whatever Internet activity our children undertake, they are safe and secured", said Mr. Fred Fish, Network Administrator at Cal Farley's. Their major need for an Internet security solution was as follows.

Interconnectivity Issues

"Our primary requirement was efficient interconnectivity between our various campuses", said Mr. Fish. They were looking for a fool-proof VPN solution that could bridge the geographical distance between various campuses so that users could securely connect to the network from any location.

The Cyberoam Solution

After scrutinizing the market for suitable security solutions, Cal Farley's zeroed in on Cyberoam. They deployed Eight (8) Cyberoam Appliances at their various centers, Seven (7) of which they upgraded, bringing the total to Fifteen (15) Cyberoam Appliances purchased. One (1) CR 500ia is deployed at their main office in Amarillo, One (1) CR 500ia is deployed at the Boys Ranch campus, One (1) CR 50ia at the Genie Farley Harriman Center for Women and Children and one each CR 15iNG in Arlington, Austin, Houston, San Antonio and Oklahoma City. After Cyberoam installation, they noticed the following benefits.

Efficient and Secure Interconnections

The VPN is of critical use to the senior management and IT team who require complete and full network access 24x7x365.

Cyberoam UTM's SSL VPN solution provides "Anywhere, Any Time, Any Device" VPN connectivity. It helps Mr. Fish in providing stable and secure access to remote users. Several IT personnel and higher management can securely connect to internal network wherever they are.

Corporate Profile

Cal Farley's is one of America's largest privately-funded child and family service providers specializing in both residential and community-based services at no cost to the families of the children in their care.

Cal Farley's offers three types of services to children and families: residential, educational and community-based. The residential, or campus-based, programs offer children a campus environment where children live in homes at Cal Farley's Boys Ranch. Ten to 12 children live in the homes with house parent couples providing supervision, mentoring and parenting. Their basic-care services offer 24-hour supervision in a small community setting. Young children and their single mothers who reside at the Genie Farley Harriman Center for Women and Children find a safe environment while the mother acquires the skills needed to achieve successful independence. The educational programs provide the children and families on campuses academic, athletic and extracurricular opportunities similar to those offered at other Texas public schools. Their community-based services currently offer a variety of resources to children and families living in or near five Texas metropolitan areas and in Oklahoma City.

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Furthermore, they have established IPSec Connections between various branch offices for secure access of remote resources like VOIP Server, files, SharePoint sites, and some hosted programs.

In Mr. Fish's words, "Cyberoam's VPN has proved to be invaluable when it comes to VOIP connectivity over our IPSec and the facility to access shared files while travelling."

Network Periphery Fortified

Cyberoam's ICSA and Checkmark - dual certified stateful inspection firewall now fortifies the Cal Farley's network and guards its servers against any unauthorized access. It detects intruders, blocks them from entering the computer network, records information, and notifies the system administrator about the source of the attempted break-in. As Mr. Fish puts it, "Cyberoam acts as an undaunted warrior that protects our network against all network threats".

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To Conclude

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