

**Why do I need it:** For disaster recovery or preventing data loss

**What does it do:** Backs up your users PC's and Servers

**What it cost:** A \$2000 NAS box could handle 50-100 average users

**Where do I put it:** It will plug into a switch or hub in your office

Most companies have a hard time thinking about their backup policy because it is too easy to go into the doomsday scenarios, of what happens when the bomb hits. The reality is, a bomb most likely isn't going to hit you, although a virus or a hard drive crash will.

So let's take a serious look at the data you can't afford to lose, most of it is on your PC. Take a look in your "My Documents" folder and ask yourself how hard it would be to live without them. How about all your emails and contact list? Now ask that same question to all of your employees.

It is an issue and these days it is not an expensive problem to fix. Storage used to be expensive and complicated, requiring servers with lots of space. Now days \$2000 invested in a NAS appliance (Network Attached Storage) could handle the back up 50-100 PC's or laptops.

What is a NAS appliance, the short answer it's a box with network connection and a lot of hard drives. To use it, in this scenario, a directory is created for each user, and each pc is configured to automatically synchronize its key folders up to it. Your users don't have to do anything; it just works in the background copying newly created or updated files.

The glory to the NAS appliance is simple, if user's pc no longer works you:

- fix or replace it,
- install their applications,
- do a copy paste from the NAS

**Your done, a catastrophe has become a minor headache.**

NAS appliances come in many shapes and sizes. Give us a call at 1-877-884-6626 or email me directly at [preston@allsystemsup.net](mailto:preston@allsystemsup.net) , for a quick conversation over the right Appliance for your network. We can install these for you with both an onsite visit or remotely with our preconfigured services.

**Look into the right technology for your network. Look into ASU to deploy it.**