

Networking Challenge

Office A - Current Components

Office A has:

- A Static IP Business Cable Connection (Connection A)
- A router distributing IPs via DHCP
 - o Gateway: 192.168.1.1
 - O Workstation Cluster A IPs distributed: 192.168.1.2 192.168.1.X
 - o 2 reserved IPs:
 - Server A: 192.168.1.15Printer A: 192.168.1.30
- All workstations have local access to shared storage on Server A
- All workstations can print locally on Printer A

New Office B has:

- A static IP Business Cable Connection (Connection B)
- A router distributing IPs via DHCP
 - o Gateway: 192.168.15.1
 - o 64 port switch
 - O Workstation Cluster B IPs Distributed: 192.168.15.2 192.168.15.X
 - No reserved IPs
- Challenge: All workstations MUST have local Access to shared storage on Server A
- Challenge: All workstations MUST print locally on Printer A

Additional Considerations:

• We have run a 1000ft Cat 5e line from one office to the other

Questions:

- A. How can we overcome the two challenges and bring local access to Office B computers to the resources in Office A?
- B. How can we achieve redundancy of Internet connections; that is, if Connection B goes down, how can we switch over to Connection A?

Equipment is not an object (we will buy anything necessary), but we are looking for as cost-effective a solution as possible.