

Prov.net establishes colocation data center facility in Providence, RI

A Colocation facility is a "must have" for a knowledge based economy to take root. Providence, RI now has one, and it's called Prov.net. Prov.net, one of Providence's newest entrepreneurial ventures recently established a state of the art facility at 1155 Westminster Street.

Attracting knowledge based workers and businesses goes hand-in-hand with building a knowledge based economy. Among the most critical resources required are access to a highly educated labor force, available financial capital, a supportive business environment, an updated municipal infrastructure, and access to facilities necessary to support robust technology and information systems requirements.

Increasingly, organizations are recognizing the benefits of colocating their mission-critical computing and networking equipment within a shared data center. As a result, colocation facilities have become popular because of the time and cost savings a company or entrepreneur can realize as result of using a shared data center infrastructure. Significant

benefits associated with economies of scale (e.g., substantial power, HVAC, fiber optic telecommunications, internet capacity and other IT systems) result in colocation facilities, typically 2,000 to 100,000 square feet, that can provide the scale necessary to make an initiative economically feasible. With IT and communications facilities in safe, secure hands, most businesses are able to have the same benefits of a company owned data center at a much lower cost. This frees them to focus on their core business. Most often, by outsourcing network traffic to a colocation service provider with greater bandwidth capacity, users and employees of online and web-based applications also see application speed and productivity improve considerably.

"It is becoming increasingly clear that when companies are looking for sites to locate their facilities, invariably a key question they ask is, 'where will we house our IT systems; does the targeted site have the necessary infrastructure or is there a colocation facility nearby?'" said Ron Sacks, of Prov.net.

There are many different

types of customers who seek colocation services. They include:

- E-commerce companies who use the facilities for a safe environment and cost-effective, redundant connections to the Internet
- Large science and research institutions needing access to centralized high performance computing platforms
- Government agencies and large enterprises who use the facility for hosting, disaster avoidance, offsite data backup and business continuity
- Telecommunication companies who use the facilities to inter-exchange traffic with other telecommunications companies and access to potential clients
- Media and content collection companies

John Chenard and Ron Sacks, both founders of Provdotnet, LLC recognized the growing need for colocation services in Southern New England and chose Providence as the ideal location to establish the prov.net colocation facility. "It's hard to find a site where all the basic ingredients already exist. We think we have found it in Providence", said John Chenard.

Prov.net Colocation

- A "must have" for Providence
- Significant cost savings for a secure site with power, telecommunications and other IT infrastructure
- Key criteria for locating a knowledge based business
- Customers include e-commerce companies, science and research institutions, governmental agencies, telecommunications and media companies.

About Provdotnet, LLC

Provdotnet, LLC was established in April, 2009. The company provides technical and colocation services to customers nationwide.

Founded by Ron Sacks and John Chenard, two Providence, RI based entrepreneurs with a combined 50 years of experience providing technology solutions.

Contact Information:
Ron Sacks - Partner
401-441-5213
617-571-0785
ron@prov.net
www.prov.net