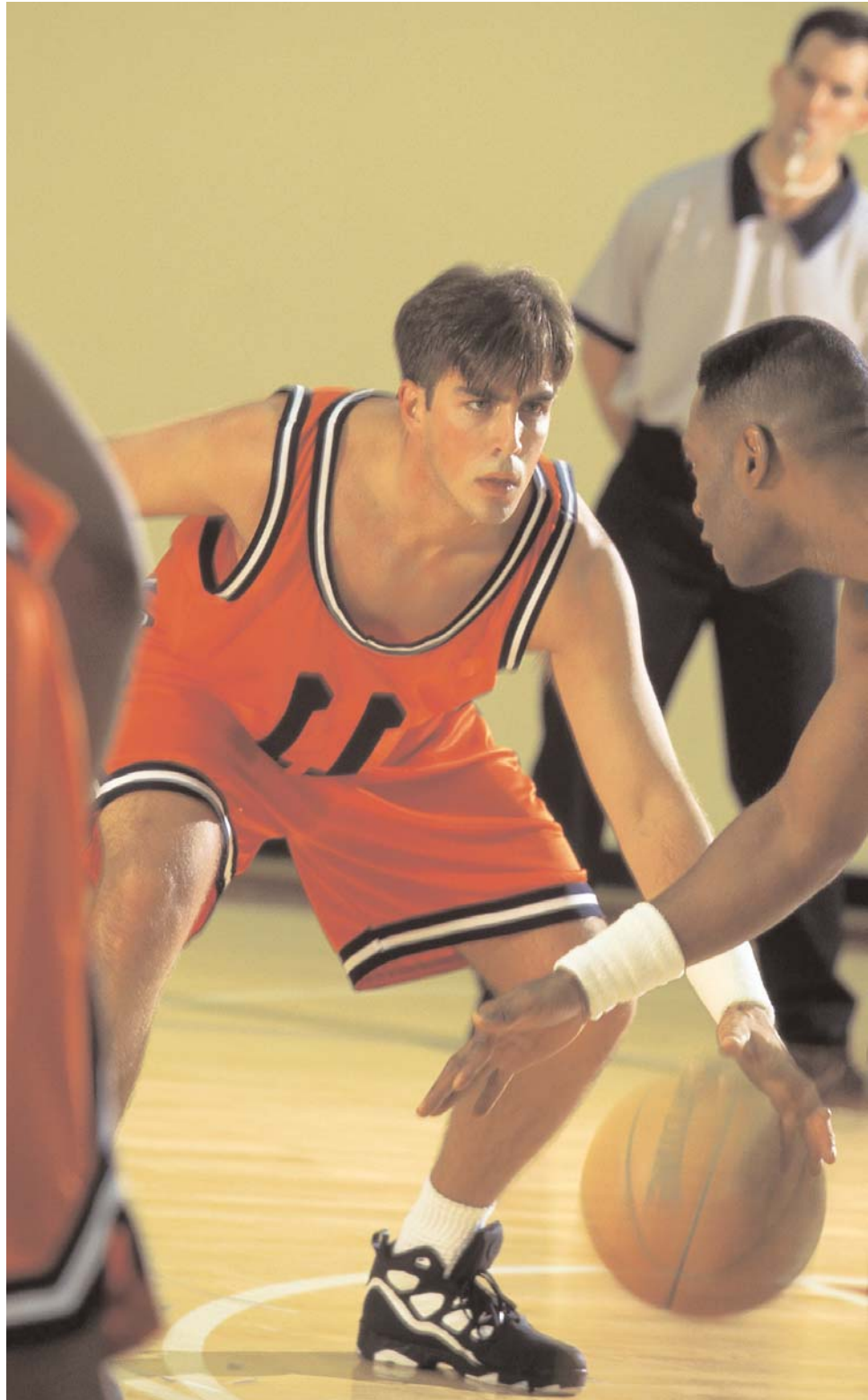


Sirius Shapes up YMCA's Communications Infrastructure

*Sirius provides Domino Mail and eServer iSeries solution to
13 area YMCA locations*

YMCA, the largest not-for-profit community service organization in America is working to meet the health and social needs of men, women, and children in communities throughout the U.S. The organization offers after school childcare programs, specialized teen programs, tobacco prevention, health and fitness and more for all faiths, races, abilities, ages and incomes. YMCA's strength lies in its ability to bring people together to build strong kids, strong families, and strong communities. The San Antonio area YMCA specializes in child, youth and family development. They provide essential services including early childhood development and school age care, day camps, resident camp, developmental youth sports, aquatics and leadership development programs. With rapid growth in the San Antonio area, YMCA found themselves in need of bringing their thirteen locations together on a uniform communications platform. They called on Sirius Computer Solutions to build their communications infrastructure for all thirteen of their locations.

The national YMCA headquarters utilizes the Y-Metro application on the IBM eServer iSeries platform throughout YMCA organizations across the nation. When the San Antonio area YMCA planned for the addition of the Y-Metro software, they chose Sirius, the largest midrange eServer reseller in the world, to install and implement IBM's eServer iSeries. The implementation of the new server technology has brought the San Antonio area association branches together on a common platform. With this collaborative computing



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solution, the San Antonio area YMCAs can measure the availability and sustainability of their programs. In an environment which hosts multiple communities, each with different needs, a solution was driven to allow each entity to make the best decision on program execution. This ultimately enabled them to better serve over 50,000 children and families.

Collaborative Infrastructure

YMCA and Sirius focused on improving their existing communications infrastructure with a Lotus Domino solution. After the requirement and design analysis, Sirius provided the right configuration, which included the migration of the existing Microsoft Exchange Users to IBM's Domino Mail. Sirius' best of breed services resources performed all system and software installation to optimize the current environment and future expectation of growth. In an effort to optimize the internet and employee mobility, the Domino Mail solution will offer browser based access to mail, calendar and other Domino Collaboration applications. With the new collaborative infrastructure, YMCA is now able to share information, schedule meetings and reserve

resources throughout the organization. "Thanks to Sirius, we were able to save money, break communication barriers and manage programs on a consistent basis," said Liesen Benet, IT Director for YMCA, San Antonio area.

Customer: [YMCA](#)
Industry: [Service Organization](#)
Solution: [Collaboration Infrastructure Services](#)
Software: [Lotus Notes Client](#), [Domino Designer Client](#), [Anti-virus software](#)
Hardware: [iSeries](#), [Lotus Domino Enterprise Server](#)
Service: [IBM ServiceSuite Advanced](#), [IGF](#)

Lower Total Cost of Ownership

The achieved result includes lower cost of total ownership, for both administration and infrastructure, while delivering a solution that integrated Domino collaborative tools with the Y-Metro software. By removing the cost and complexity of multiple Exchange servers, the Domino Mail and eServer

iSeries solution can be executed with the most simplicity, and the lowest cost. Lotus Domino running on a single eServer iSeries along with the Y-Metro software gives them one, easy to administer server footprint, with the ability to integrate the Domino messaging with workflow applications as well as the Y-Metro databases. "Not only were we impressed with Sirius' quick responsiveness but the implementation was lightening fast and smooth", said Ms. Benet. YMCA's commitment is to make their services available to the communities they serve, and Sirius has made it easier for them to do just that.

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