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City of Bellevue

CUSTOMER

Bellevue is the fifth largest city in Washington, with a population of about 120,000. It is the high-tech and retail center of the Eastside. The city spans more than 31 square miles between Lake Washington and Lake Sammamish, and is a short drive from the Cascade Mountains. The population is growing and becoming more diverse. City planners anticipate 7,000 additional residents by 2010, with 18,000 more jobs expected to be available in Bellevue by then.

CHALLENGES

The City of Bellevue was growing quickly in 2005 and saw the need to expand their government facilities and overall security. Being a high tech city, Bellevue had several requirements for sharing data across other business applications as well as integrating existing video and intercom systems for a well rounded approach to security. They were using a Kalatel CCTV switch to monitor video and a Commend intercom system for communications. The goal was to seamlessly interface these systems into the access control interface. Other challenges facing the city were controlling several banks of elevators, parking control, and securing the prisoner transfer area of the police department and jail.

SOLUTION

Open Options teamed up with Guardian security of Seattle, WA to propose a comprehensive security solution that addressed all of Bellevue's needs. The city implemented Open Options' Universal ASCII Driver (UAD) to pull together both video and intercom communications at the city. Now when someone pressed the intercom button on a substation, an operator is presented with automatic call up of associated video and an open channel for audio. The initial access control project consisted of over 100 reader doors secured with Open Options open platform hardware. Open Options and Guardian worked with Bellevue's IT department to ensure shared NT security across the network and they are using OpenDX for sharing personnel data across the Active Directory and DNA Fusion database to eliminate redundant data entry. The entire project comprises all city departments including PD and jail across three building and continues to grow.

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