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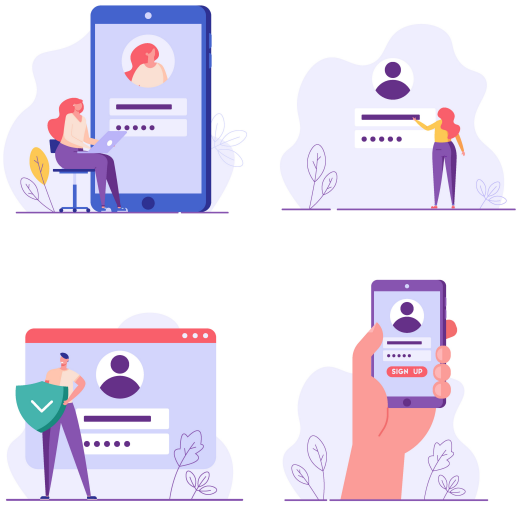

MULTI-FACTOR AUTHENTICATION

Five facts about multi-factor authentication (MFA) that will help you make a case for implementation at your township or road district:

- **MFA takes a layered approach:** One of the main benefits of MFA is that it provides an additional layer of protection for systems used by non-technical employees. With MFA, employees can still use their username/password, but an extra step/layer is added into the account access process, such as a confirmation email, text message or phone call, or push notification via an app.
- **MFA protects your data:** By implementing MFA, cyber criminals will have a much harder time accessing corporate data through stolen credentials because of the multi-tier authentication process.
- **MFA helps meet compliance guidelines:** Cyber security guidelines require a firm grasp of identity management, and MFA is an important step in achieving this. As more critical data moves out of on-site data centers into the cloud, the process for protecting that information must be considered.
- **MFA is currently a part of life:** MFA for personal use is already a part of our lives. Banking, social media, or web email providers, have adopted tools to authenticate users when accessing their systems.
- **MFA is essential:** Without user authentication, the door to your network is wide open. MFA implementation is essential to strengthening your organization's cyber security.

TOIRMA recommends consulting your IT Department with any questions.

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