Brian,

I have contacted the two companies that we are interested in and requested a quote (Malwarebytes and Sophos Antivirus). Here are the recommended options.

- a) Malwarebytes Renewal: I was informed that rates have gone up due to some new features. This will run the County roughly \$1,688 per year.
- b) Malwarebytes + Sophos Antivirus: This option gives more security, and more layers of protection for a combined total of roughly \$6,747 per year.

As they say, "there are 100 ways to skin a cat" but these are the two software solutions that we've had the most success with. If budget is a concern then I suggest simply renewing the Malwarebytes software (Option A). If the budget has some room, I suggest adding a year of Sophos Antivirus for the extra security layers (Option B). Each software covers a different type of virus so the added coverage would be beneficial but is not required. We should be able to get by with either option but we need to have something in the works ASAP since we are in the middle of a CJIS audit and an antivirus solution is mandatory.

Please contact me directly if you have any questions. Thanks!

PS Both companies have a chain of people that they have to go through to get pricing for County Government so I have not yet received an official quote, but these are the expected rates and I feel confident they are solid. I will be able to confirm once the official quotes are in.

Sincerely,

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