

It's sad that now more than ever, we are faced with bad actors who would love nothing more than to compromise your system and take your data hostage. Businesses are falling prey to ransomware more and more frequently as attacks get more and more creative. There are many software and hardware solutions available to help mitigate these threats, but did you know there are also some simple steps you can take during your normal routine to help improve your chances of recovery should you ever fall victim to such an attack?

One of the easiest and most effective things to keep your data safe is to back up your data.

CenterPoint has built-in functionality for creating backups of your database whenever you need it.

Back up often - how often depends on your tolerance for data loss. For example, can you afford to lose a day of data entry? A week? A month?

Backing up your data is a significant first step, but you also need to ensure that the backup is stored in a secure location away from your database. What use is a backup of your data if it's sitting on the same computer (drive) compromised by malware or a virus?

Experts agree that offsite storage of backups is best; for example, place your backups on an external drive and take them home or even upload your backup file to a cloud storage provider. Then you'll have the peace of mind that comes with knowing should the worst happen; you can be up and running again in very little time and with minimal data loss.

