# Creating & Upgrading SharePoint Workflows

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#### About me





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# Who is InfoWorks?



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- We are a Business and Technology Consulting firm with over 100 employees
- Founded 20 years ago by several former IBM Global Services employees looking to focus on regional work

- Located in Nashville, TN
- Corporate culture focused on work-life balance
- 100% Employee Owned



# Who is InfoWorks?

- We work with companies of all shapes and sizes
  - Fortune 500 companies
  - Small and medium size organizations
  - Non profit organizations
- We work with a diverse set of industries
  - Financial Services
  - Healthcare
  - Higher Education
  - Manufacturing



# Who is

InfoVorks?
Commitment to Clients, Culture, & Community























of Metropolitan Nashville









## Agenda

- 1. Workflow History
- 2. Options for SharePoint Workflow
- 3. Introduction to Microsoft Flow
- 4. Why Migrate to Flow
- 5. Migration Process
- 6. Obstacles to Migration
- 7. Recommendations
- 8. Q/A

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Out of the box

02

SharePoint Designer

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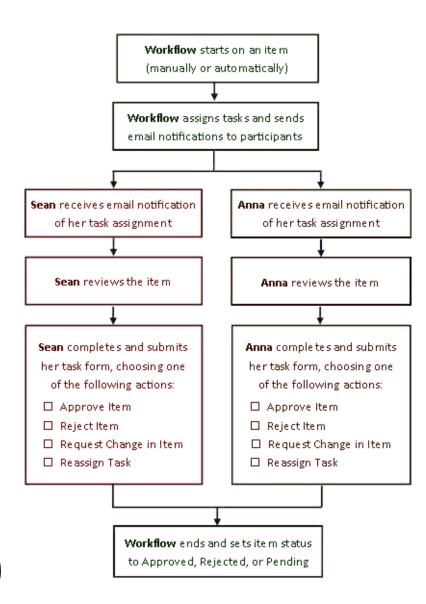
Third-party (K2, Nintex, etc.)

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Visual Studio 05

Microsoft Flow

## History of SharePoint Workflow



## SharePoint Workflows

- Approval
- Collect Feedback
- Collect Signatures
- Three-State
- Publishing Approval

## SharePoint Designer

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Flexibility vs built-in workflow 2

Conditional actions

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Associate with content types

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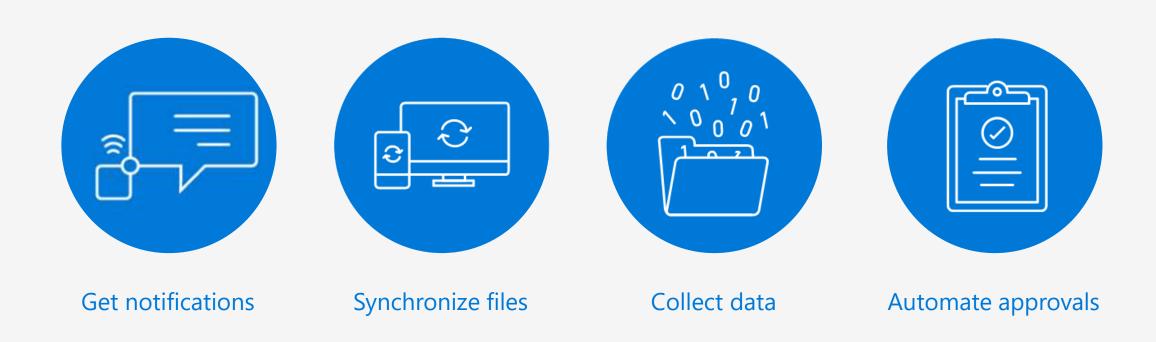
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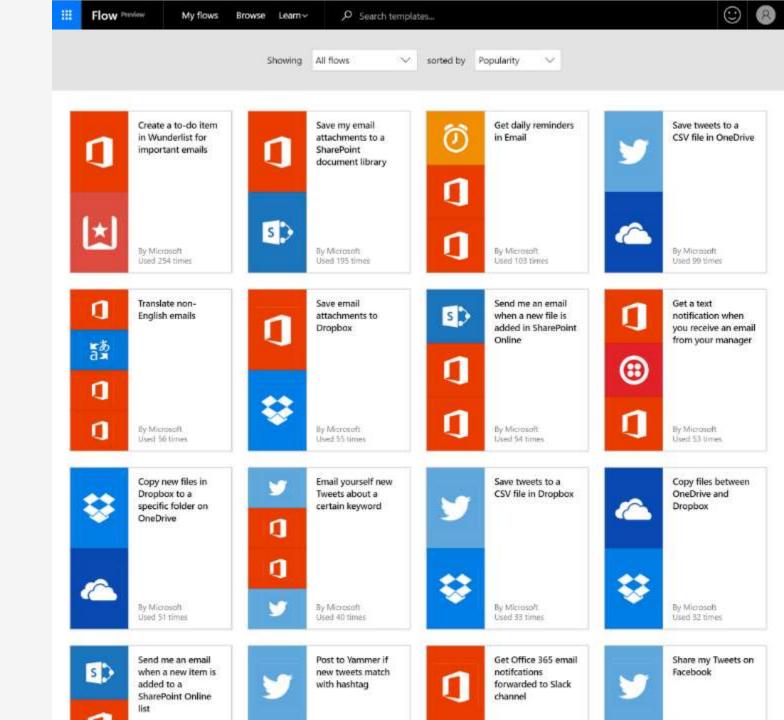
Webservices

# Intro to Microsoft Flow

# Microsoft Flow helps you work smarter by automating workflow across your apps and services



#### Get started quickly with hundreds of useful templates



#### Build your own flows in an easy to use visual designer

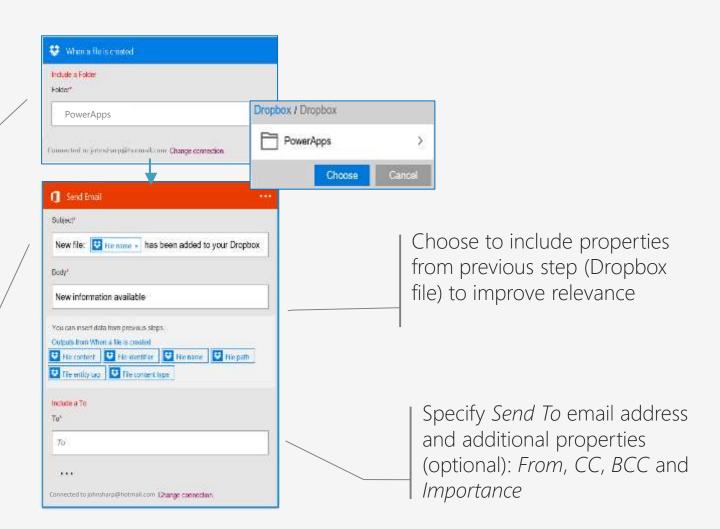
Sending an Exchange email when a new file is added in Dropbox

Authenticate to your Dropbox account.

Select folder to monitor

Authenticate to your O365 account.

Build email Subject and Body









































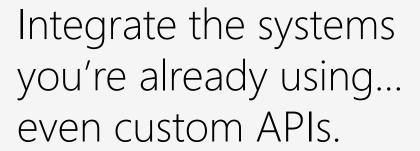












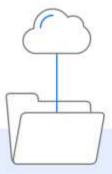








#### Flow Free



Free

750 runs per month Unlimited flow creation 15-minute checks

#### Flow Plan 1



\$5.00 per user/mo

2000 runs per month 5-minute checks

Flow for Office

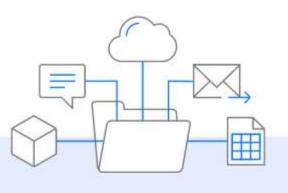
365 and Flow

for Dynamics

365

4,500 runs per month
Unlimited flow creation
3-minute checks
Premium Services

#### Flow Plan 2



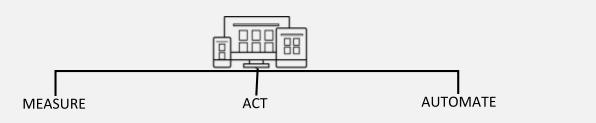
\$15.00 per user/mo

15,000 runs per month
Unlimited flow creation
1-minute checks
Premium Services
Org policy settings

### Business application platform innovation

#### Build modern business apps fast

Compose analytics, user experiences, and automation using an integrated set of services from Microsoft



#### Empowered power users

People who understand their business needs best can now build apps quickly without writing code



Power BI



PowerApps



Microsoft Flow

#### More efficient developers

Seamlessly extend capabilities for power users and leverage powerful Azure platform services

SQL Server BI
Data analytics

Internet of Things (IoT)

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**App Services** 

Service Fabric

**Azure Functions** 

API Management

BizTalk

Logic Apps

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#### Connected data across apps

Whether built on the Common Data Model or integrated with existing systems, get more value from your data

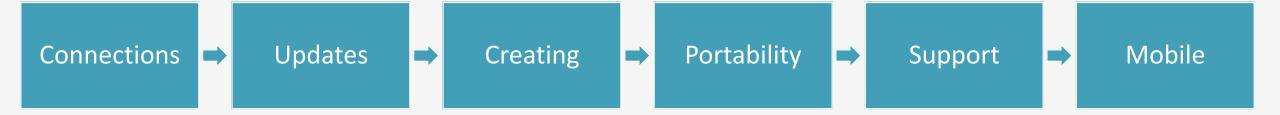


Common Data Model



Connectors & Gateways

# MIGRATE YOUR WORKFLOWS?



## Why move to Microsoft Flow?

# Migration Process



No easy button

No third-party tools

Migration is manual

# Migration Process

#### Document your workflow

- Use Visio
- Involve your business users

#### Revise the workflow

- Processes change, so should workflows
- Introduce new functionality or streamline

#### Technical considerations

- On-prem data will require a data gateway
- As of now, workflows start as user who created them

01

Gaps in functionality

Using metadata for action

02

License Cost

03

Project Budget / Time

Stay tuned - SharePoint Virtual Summit - May 16, 2017 - DanielGlenn.com/SPsummit17

Obstacles to moving to Microsoft Flow

#### Recommendations

Have Office 365

Start using MS Flow for new workflows

Determine ROI for migrating existing workflows

Don't have Office 365

Use MS Flow Free plan or get a trial

Evaluate ROI on subscriptions

New to SharePoint workflow

Start in MS Flow

## Questions?

## Thank you!

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