



## THE CHALLENGE

Create a stable platform with a predictable cost model to support CorVel's ERP (PeopleSoft) that would eliminate delays, downtimes, and security risks.



## THE SOLUTION

Migrate from three on-premise data centers to AWS Cloud infrastructure.



## THE OUTCOME

Faster production times, enhanced security, high availability, and happier end users.



**AWS was the clear choice, and ERPA's ActiveGenie was part of that decision.**

Ann Bushnell

*Business Systems Manager, CorVel Corporation*

## ENOUGH IS ENOUGH

**CorVel's PeopleSoft** ownership is driven by its accounting department, which is responsible for financial reporting, month-end close, consolidations, and other accounting functions. In addition, the PeopleSoft updates, development efforts, nVision reporting, and end-user security maintenance are also owned by the accounting department. The infrastructure for **PeopleSoft** applications was maintained by IT across three data centers: Fort Worth, Texas, Hillsboro, Oregon, and Las Vegas, Nevada. With the cost of a large team, travel, and three data center footprints filled with hardware that always seemed to be outdated

before it fully depreciated, costs were hitting the bottom line hard.

In 2017, a poorly managed update to **PeopleSoft 9.2** resulted in major performance issues. There were system failures multiple times a week; things that should have taken seconds were taking minutes if not hours. And then in 2019, a security incident: when an outside party attempted to access critical data, **CorVel** was forced to shut down all systems on their infrastructure, escalating into a major problem for accounting while in the middle of an audit.



# WHICH CLOUD?

Ann Bushnell, the **Business Systems Manager**, knew it was time for a change. Her team needed agility, scale, and security. It was time to migrate to the cloud. An ERP rip-and-replace had been evaluated and dismissed several years prior, citing the cost and business impact of transition. Working with their **PeopleSoft** managed services provider, ERPA, Bushnell sought guidance on a solution that would meet their business requirements and eliminate risk without disruption to the business.

As a Microsoft organization, the obvious choice seemed to be Microsoft Azure. But as ERPA and Bushnell examined **CorVel's** needs and weighed them against offerings by Azure and AWS, the choice became clear: AWS offered scalability, performance, flexibility, and security – and ERPA's experience and proprietary technology (specifically **ActiveGenie for AWS** offered risk mitigation and a seamless transition, making a move to AWS a sure winner.



## PARTNERSHIP ACROSS SILOS

**CorVels Business** and IT leaders agreed that improving customer experience was a priority, but getting organizational buy-in was not easy. IT had concerns that had to be discussed, scoped, and included in the roadmap. But once ERPA addressed all concerns and agreed upon a final solution, the cloud migration itself was complete in less than 8 weeks. Much of that agility was derived from ERPA's ActiveGenie which was crucial in automating the installation and deployment of **PeopleSoft** to AWS cloud resulting in a seamless end-user experience with greatly enhanced flexibility, scalability, and security – and at the same time, contributing positively to **CorVel's financials**.

