That “free” café
Wi-Fi might be
your biggest
security
vulnerability.

Meet Susanne.

She runs operations for a small, mission-driven organization in the Chicagoland area.

One morning,

she heads to her usual coffee spot, opens her laptop, and starts knocking out email.

She taps into the public Wi-Fi.

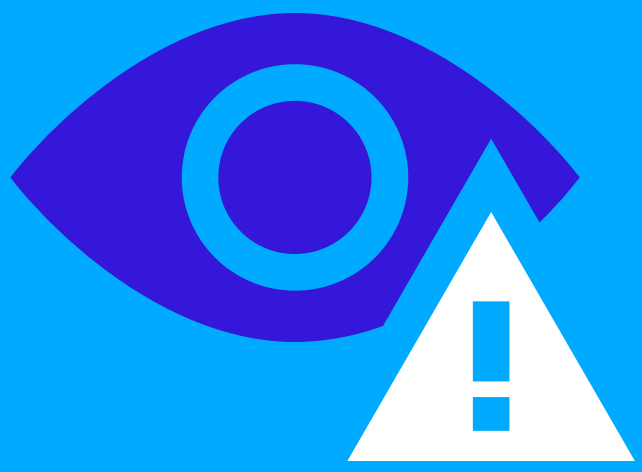
No password,

No friction.

Easy win.

But there’s a catch…

Someone else in the shop is “working,” too.



They're not writing proposals, studying or answering tickets.

They're quietly monitoring network traffic.

That open Wi-Fi isn't just convenient

It can expose unprotected data moving back and forth.

Hannah’s cloud and email **logins get captured**.

No pop-ups.
No warnings.
No obvious red flags.

Later, a weird file shows up back at the office.

Then systems start freezing and locking up.

Ransomware

All from one risky connection that felt "harmless."