



#### NEWS RELEASE

## The Hartford Expands Technology Team With New Office In Columbus, Ohio

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COLUMBUS, Ohio--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- The Hartford today announced the opening of its newest technology hub in Columbus, Ohio. This strategic expansion is the latest example of the company's commitment to insurance innovation, collaboration, and delivering exceptional experiences for customers, agents and brokers.

Located in Columbus's Easton Town Center, the office will hold approximately 75 employees focused on AI, cloud architecture, and technology transformation. The office will accommodate new hires and employees who have worked remotely in the region. The space features collaboration zones and infrastructure to support experimentation and prototyping of new products, processes and services.

"The Hartford is a destination for top talent working on the frontier of technological change, and this Columbus office is part of our strategy to have employees collaborate on products and services that are integral to the future of insurance," said The Hartford's Chief Information Officer Shekar Pannala. "By expanding our technology presence, we are creating opportunities to deliver faster, smarter solutions that meet the evolving needs of our customers."

This expansion complements The Hartford's existing technology centers in Hartford, Connecticut; Chicago, Illinois; Charlotte, North Carolina, and Hyderabad, India, underscoring its commitment to building a globally integrated technology ecosystem.

“We are excited to add Columbus as our newest tech hub — a collaborative space where AI scientists and engineers will develop cutting-edge solutions to advance insurance innovation,” said Jeff Hawkins, head of Data, AI and Operations at The Hartford. “Columbus offers a rich pool of tech and AI talent, along with proximity to world-class universities and vibrant local amenities, making it an ideal location to attract and grow top technology talent.”

Backed by two centuries of underwriting, actuarial and risk management expertise — and sustained investment in digital modernization — The Hartford has been named one of the Best Places to Work in IT for five consecutive years by ComputerWorld. The company also has been recognized as the No. 1 Digital Small Business Insurer by Keynova Group for seven consecutive years.

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