

## **Public Policies and Practices**

### **Political Compliance**

#### **Corporate Contributions for Political Purposes**

As part of our Code of Ethics and Business Conduct, we do not give corporate contributions to political candidates or parties even where allowed by law. In accordance with this policy, we require that no portion of our dues paid to trade associations be used for political contributions.

Our Code of Ethics and Business Conduct permits the use of corporate resources for non-partisan political activity. Consistent with federal and state law, these activities include non-partisan voter education, including issue education, voter registration and grassroots lobbying to influence legislation or ballot referenda. These contributions may not be tied to the procurement of The Hartford's products and services and must comply with all applicable laws and regulations.

Any such contributions are publicly reported and updated quarterly. These contributions have been approved in advance by the Chief Executive Officer, the General Counsel and Government Affairs. They will also be reported annually to the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of The Hartford's Board of Directors.

#### 2015 Contributions

In February 2015, The Hartford contributed \$8,465 to an Oregon initiative (Fighting Against Increased Insurance Rates (FAIIR)) related to legislation that would have expanded insurers' bad faith and extra contractual liability under the state's unfair trade practices statute.

#### **Hartford Membership in Trade Associations and Coalitions**

The Hartford is a member of several state and federal trade associations and coalitions. These memberships are used as a resource for both industry information and to further advocate our public policy goals.

The Hartford has requested information regarding federal lobbying expenses from trade associations and coalitions to which The Hartford pays \$25,000 or more in annual dues. Based on the information we receive each quarter, the following amount of dues or payments to trade associations and coalitions were used for federal lobbying in 2015:

American Council of Life Insurers	\$19,096
American Insurance Association	\$195,630
Financial Services Roundtable	\$134,925
HR Policy Association	\$19,200
Institute for Legal Reform	\$200,000
U.S. Chamber of Commerce	\$35,000