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HARTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY WELCOMES NEW CHIEF ADVANCEMENT OFFICER

[HARTFORD, CT] — Hartford Public Library (HPL) announced that Lucy Nalpathanchil has been named Chief Advancement Officer effective June 29. In this role, Lucy is responsible for planning, implementing, and managing a comprehensive program to support Hartford Public Library's mission. With a clear focus on Hartford communities and expanded audiences, the role includes overseeing fundraising, donor relations, marketing and communications, program coordination, and strategic partnerships.

"Lucy brings an extraordinary combination of strategic vision, community insight, relationship building, and a deep commitment to meaningful public engagement," said Bridget E. Quinn, HPL's President and CEO. "Throughout her career, she has cultivated partnerships, elevated important conversations, and connected institutions with the people they serve. Her leadership will be pivotal as we strengthen HPL's long-term sustainability, expand our audiences, and advance our mission alongside Hartford communities and partners across the region."

Most recently, Lucy was Vice President of Community Engagement at Connecticut Public, the state's NPR and PBS station, where she shaped the company's public-facing strategy to deepen connections statewide. In that role, Lucy created new partnerships with community organizations, civic leaders, and institutions to expand the reach and impact of Connecticut Public's journalism. Her efforts helped garner a \$3 million state grant for the media company to develop an events space in the Asylum Hill neighborhood. She spent nearly two decades at WNPR/CPTV as an award-winning reporter and host.

"It's an honor to join the team at Hartford Public Library, which is so well-loved as a gathering place for all to learn and be inspired," said Lucy Nalpathanchil, HPL's Chief Advancement Officer. "Since my childhood, I have loved libraries! Many of my summers were spent checking out book after book and participating in programs like summer reading challenges. I look forward to my new role in support of Hartford Public Library's mission and working to ensure its sustainability for generations to come."



Lucy says it's common for people to convey the positive impact libraries have had on them, and she shares that same sentiment. She believes libraries are vital institutions that contribute to a community's strength.

About Hartford Public Library:

Founded as the Library Company in 1774, and over its 252 years, Hartford Public Library has remained at the forefront of redefining the urban library experience in the 21st century. The Library has seven full-service locations, two Boundless Library locations, and multiple outreach services, including the Library on Wheels and Story Stash, a 24/7 pickup locker. HPL provides education, intellectual enrichment, and cultural development for thousands of children, youth, and adults. HPL has gained local and national recognition for its wide range of new initiatives and partnerships designed to meet the needs of a diverse and dynamic city and region, including immigration services, employment assistance, and youth leadership training. For more information, visit hplct.org

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