

GARMIN TO CUT 141 KANSAS CITY JOBS



Garmin is laying off 141 employees in Kansas City, Missouri, a first for the GPS navigation business that has been one of the area's fastest growing companies. All the affected employees are in Olathe, or in the company's two area customer service centers. Garmin has 2,510 employees in the Kansas City area and about 9,500 worldwide. The cuts represent 5.6% of Garmin's local workforce. The layoffs affect Garmin's human resources, marketing administration and operations divisions. All employees will receive severance packages. Olathe, Kansas-based Garmin eliminated some contract labor positions in its Taiwan manufacturing facilities late last year.

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