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## St. Charles Business Alliance announces six selections for 2023 Made in St. Charles Program

St. Charles, IL – The St. Charles Business Alliance is proud to announce the six selections for the 2023 Made in St. Charles program.

The six selections were:

- Lighting Innovations
- United Laboratories, Inc.
- Clarke
- Bison<sup>®</sup>
- I.C.T. Power USA
- Warwick Publishing Co.

The Made in St. Charles program began last year as a way to shine the spotlight on St. Charles businesses that make their products in St. Charles and celebrate their innovative and creative products. For the 2023 Made in St. Charles program, the Alliance's Business Development & Sales Committee shifted the spotlight to focus on industrial and manufacturing businesses and celebrate the innovate and globally impactful products they manufacture here in St. Charles.

Jenna Sawicki, Executive Director of the St. Charles Business Alliance, said she is excited with the six businesses and their products.

"All six of these businesses are truly well-deserving, creating high-quality products that significantly impact their given industry," said Sawicki. "Our hope is that this program will not only shine a light on the remarkable industrial businesses we have in town, but also educate the community on some of the products that are being created right here in St. Charles."

The six businesses received the awards at the January 16, 2024 St. Charles City Council Meeting, and were thankful for the recognition.

"On behalf of the entire Warwick family, we are honored to be a part of this year's Made in St. Charles Program," said Alexander Paschal, President and 5<sup>th</sup> Generation Owner of Warwick Publishing Company. "From our early days as the Chronicle Newspaper to our current version of Warwick as a Promotional Product Supplier, our family and all of our employees have been blessed to call St. Charles our home for over 100 years. St. Charles has grown in so many ways, especially in the last 30 years, and we're excited to see what the future holds as time marches on. Thank you all very much for selecting us to be part of this year's program!"

"Bison<sup>®</sup> is honored to be selected as one of the six businesses in the 2023 Made in St. Charles program," Bison Director of Sales/Marketing Andy Kuester said.

"Located off Ohio Ave. on the far east side of town, we have been designing and manufacturing electric motors, gearmotors and gear reducers in St. Charles since 1997. From the beginning Bison has worked hard at giving back to the community, whether it be volunteer group outings at local charity organizations or sponsoring bands at STC Live in the summer. With a continued focus on growth and strong industry demand, Bison will remain a partner with St. Charles both now and in the future as we expand and develop our team."

To find more information about the Made in St. Charles Program, and the businesses selected, please visit <u>www.stcalliance.org/stcmakers</u>. Any additional questions can be directed to the St. Charles Business Alliance at 630-443-3967.

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## About the St. Charles Business Alliance

The mission of the St. Charles Business Alliance is to drive economic growth to make the St. Charles Community a destination where people, businesses and tourism thrive. The Alliance produces the St. Charles Fine Art Show, Holiday Homecoming, Jazz Weekend, Scarecrow Weekend, and the St. Patrick's Parade. For more information about the Alliance, visit <u>www.stcalliance.org</u>.





The St. Charles Business Alliance's Business Development and Sales Committee presented the Made in St. Charles Program Awards to six businesses at the St. Charles City Council meeting on Tuesday, Jan 16.