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## **CHAMBER TO LEAD COMMUNITY LEADERS TO WASHINGTON, D.C.**

(St. Joseph, MO) -- The St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce next week will lead business and community leaders to Washington, D.C., to lobby on behalf of St. Joseph residents. Forty-two delegates from local business, government and community groups will make the trip this year on April 2 and 3.

Each year, the St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce's Government Relations Committee and the Community Alliance of Saint Joseph meet to discuss legislative priorities on the local, state and federal levels. The federal issues are brought to the attention of federal legislators and their staff members on this trip.

In 2019, support of the 139th Airlift Wing again is one of the group's top priorities and its members will meet with Lt. Gen. Scott Rice, director of the Air National Guard, in addition to our congressional delegation. Areas of importance that will be discussed with Senators Roy Blunt and Josh Hawley and Representatives Sam Graves and Vicki Hartzler also include transportation infrastructure, international trade and workforce development.

"The Fly-In gives us a chance each year to talk with St. Joseph's federal delegation about our legislative priorities," said R. Patt Lilly, President & CEO of the St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce. "Working together has allowed us to form better relationships with our delegation and staff and get things accomplished for St. Joseph."

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