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## **CHECK TO BE PRESENTED TO WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE**

(St. Joseph, MO) -- The St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce led Workforce Development Alliance today announced it has received a \$10,000 grant from the U.S. Bank Foundation. The grant will be used to support the Alliance's mission: to support, enhance and implement initiatives that focus on the improvement of the area labor force.

A check presentation will be made at the St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce at 10 a.m., Thursday, Jan. 25.

“Creating opportunities for our community requires resources, and we appreciate the support from the U.S. Bank Foundation, which helps us continue to build and expand the innovative programs we’re proud to offer,” said Natalie Hawn, President and CEO of the St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce.

The Workforce Development Alliance aims to coordinate local training and educational initiatives to support a prepared and engaged workforce, leading to successful local businesses.

“Supporting the development of small businesses and a dynamic workforce is an investment in today and our future. We’re proud to work with organizations like the Chamber to help people to succeed in their careers and build thriving communities,” said Kristen Polchinski, Community Affairs Manager at U.S. Bank.

U.S. Bank is committed to powering human potential and creating lasting change in communities. The bank does this through the Community Possible platform, including philanthropy, community investments and team member volunteerism.

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### **About the Chamber:**

The St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce has been the catalyst for economic growth and development in Northwest Missouri since its inception in the mid-1800s. The Chamber serves as the unified voice of business that advocates, promotes and inspires the St. Joseph area. The Chamber strives to create partnerships and promote a culture of excellence that allows the more than 1,200 Chamber members to succeed and the St. Joseph area to prosper.

### **About U.S. Bank**

U.S. Bancorp, with approximately 75,000 employees and \$668 billion in assets as of September 30, 2023, is the parent company of U.S. Bank National Association. Headquartered in Minneapolis, the company serves millions of customers locally, nationally and globally through a diversified mix of businesses including consumer banking, business banking, commercial banking, institutional banking, payments and wealth management. U.S. Bancorp has been recognized for its approach to digital innovation, community partnerships and customer service, including being named one of the 2023 World’s Most Ethical Companies and Fortune’s most admired superregional bank. To learn more, please visit the U.S. Bancorp website at [usbank.com](http://usbank.com) and click on “About Us.”

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