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**36 Companies Honored for Growth
Saginaw Future 32ND ANNUAL AWARDS Luncheon**

Saginaw, Mich., part of the Great Lakes Bay Region, March 1, 2024 Saginaw Future Inc. (SFI) celebrated its 32ND ANNUAL AWARDS Luncheon and another year of economic development in Saginaw County at Saginaw Valley State University. Nearly 450 business and community leaders attended the event.

Saginaw Future honored 36 projects from 2023 valued at nearly \$103 million. That investment led to the announcement of 549 jobs to be created or retained. The Saginaw Future APEX Accelerator, formerly the Procurement Technical Assistance Center, also awarded the Contractor of the Year to VA RE Development, LLC. These projects represent significant development in cutting-edge technology and growth across Saginaw County.

“Economic development projects like these empower communities, enhance opportunities, and cultivate sustainable progress that make all of our lives better,” said 2024 Saginaw Future Chair Seth Perigo.

In addition to the Economic Excellence Awards and Contractor of the Year, the City of Saginaw and the Great Lakes Bay Regional Convention and Visitors Bureau were recognized for helping to secure the Canadian Hockey League 2024 Memorial Cup presented by Dow. The Memorial Cup was highlighted along with a message from Craig Goslin, President and Managing Partner of the Saginaw Spirit.

“The excitement and preparation for the 2024 Memorial Cup is building for Saginaw County and the Great Lakes Bay Region,” said Saginaw Future Inc. President JoAnn Crary. “Led by the Saginaw Spirit management team, our community will be ready for an international event that will generate millions of dollars in the regional economy and make lasting memories.”

Established in 1992, Saginaw Future Inc. (SFI) is a public-private alliance of local businesses, the County of Saginaw, City of Saginaw, 16 local municipalities and the Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce. SFI’s strategic partners also include education, labor and government. Since its beginning, SFI has remained dedicated to fostering quality job creation through expansion of local industry and attraction of new business projects to the community.

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