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City of St. Charles Earns Bird City Designation

ST. CHARLES, Ill. (May 8, 2024) – On May 8, 2024, the City of St. Charles was formally recognized as a Bird City community by Bird City Illinois. Only ten cities in Illinois are designated Bird City Illinois communities.

There are nine criteria that must be met to become a Bird City. The St. Charles Natural Resources Commission highlighted St. Charles' bird-friendly natural areas, community activities, and education about World Migratory Bird Day and Dark Skies awareness, among other actions taken.

“Disseminating seeds, contributing to pollination, and controlling insects are just some of the ways birds help the environment and communities,” said St. Charles Natural Resources Commissioner, Suzi Myers. “The Commission felt it was important for St. Charles to become a Bird City and actively promoted the effort. We introduced a Resolution, which was unanimously passed by the St. Charles City Council. This demonstrates our commitment to the protection and conservation of bird populations and their habitats.”

In addition to its new designation as a Bird City, the City of St. Charles has been a Tree City USA community for the past 26 consecutive years.

About the City of St. Charles

The City of St. Charles, Illinois, is guided by the three driving principles in its Mission: *Service. Tradition. Community.* Together, these principles create a thriving environment for people who live or visit here, and for businesses to prosper. Our City has gained national recognition as a family-friendly town and wide acclaim for its architecture, living up to its nickname *Pride of the Fox*. Conveniently located 35 miles west of Chicago, in Kane and northwestern DuPage counties, St. Charles is home to 33,000 residents and a balanced mix of more than 2,000 businesses that employ approximately 28,700 people. More at www.stcharlesil.gov, and follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [YouTube](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

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