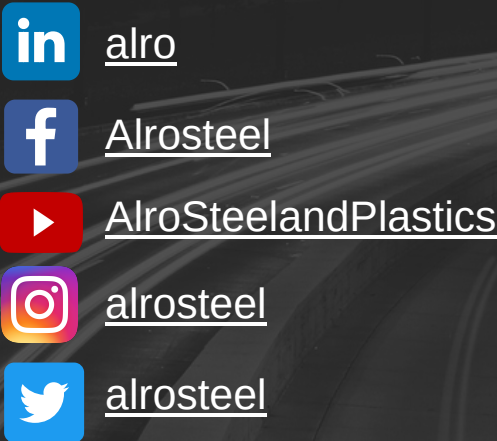


# AIAM MEMBER HIGHLIGHT



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Alro Steel was founded in 1948 by brothers Al and Robert Glick. The company is a distributor of metals, industrial supplies, and engineering plastics. Alro is focused on offering cut-to-size metals and plastics with next day delivery to over 50,000 customers in North America. Alro has grown to over 75 locations in 14 states and provides a broad inventory of products under the following companies: Alro Steel, Alro Metals, Alro Metals Outlet, Alro Industrial Supply, and Alro Plastics.

## TOTAL NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

3,000+

### Number of employees engaged in your aerospace activity?

"As a distributor and processor of metals and plastics everyone shares involvement. We stock materials used by the aerospace industry and provide first line processing including tube and plate laser, plasma cutting, tube cutting and chamfering, and a range of milling and sawing options. Our team can also produce parts from print."

## PRESENCE IN MICHIGAN AND IN OTHER STATES/COUNTRIES

"Alro has over 75 locations in 14 states, A complete list of Alro locations can be found on [here on our website.](#)"

## WHAT OPPORTUNITIES DO YOU SEE EXIST IN MICHIGAN FOR THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY?

"Michigan has a long history in manufacturing from small businesses to some of the largest in the world. This history includes a wealth of manufacturing innovations that has nurtured a highly skilled base of workers including machinists, fabricators, engineers, and more. This gives aerospace customers opportunities to acquire the high-quality parts needed for their applications."

## **WHAT HAS BEEN, IN YOUR OPINION, YOUR COMPANY'S GREATEST ACCOMPLISHMENT?**

"Alro has several great accomplishments that all stem from the guiding principles Al Glick set into place: Honesty, loyalty, and integrity. These paired with a strong emphasis on teamwork have allowed Alro to grow steadily from a single location in Michigan to over 75 locations in 14 states that provide excellent service to our customers and solid careers for generations of employees."

## **WHAT ARE YOUR GOALS AND VISION FOR YOUR COMPANY OVER THE NEXT 5 AND 10 YEARS?**

"As Alro enters its 75th year in business, our goal is to continue on the path that Al Glick set in place when he and his brother Robert founded Alro Steel. By exceeding customer expectations and putting people first we will continue on a steady path of growth and providing lifelong career opportunities."

## **AS AN AIAM MEMBER, WHAT DO YOU SEE AS SOME OF THE BIGGEST CHALLENGES FACING MICHIGAN AND THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY?**

"Michigan has an excellent base of talent in manufacturing, but we need more. Getting and retaining quality employees and bringing the next generation of talent into manufacturing has been and will continue to be our biggest challenge."

## **HOW DOES THE AEROSPACE ASPECT OF YOUR BUSINESS BENEFIT FROM THE AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY IN MICHIGAN?**

"The crossover of highly qualified machinists and employees trained in ISO, AS9100, Six Sigma and other quality programs provides a ready to work skilled labor force that understands the needs of aerospace customers. The automotive industry demands a workforce that is able to quickly adapt to changes and solve highly complex manufacturing problems which can bring aerospace customers fresh new insights and solutions for their business."



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