

Alaska Airlines Break-Out Quote

“Alaska Airlines is committed to working in our communities to introduce young people, especially those most at risk, to job opportunities in aviation and beyond, to set them up for success in future career options,” said Diana Birkett Rakow, Alaska Airlines’ vice president of external relations.

“We are honored to support one of the world’s most premier education centers and a national treasure as it gears up to inspire future aviators and young adults in person, around the country and around the world. And for Alaska Airlines guests traveling to our nation’s capital, you can go see your favorite airline playing a part in our nation’s history.”

Alaska Airlines Sponsor Statement

Alaska Airlines, together with Virgin America and its regional partners, flies 40 million guests a year to more than 115 destinations with an average of 1,200 daily flights across the United States and to Mexico, Canada and Costa Rica.

Alaska Airlines will always be committed to flying safely, authentic connections with our guests and our diverse community of employees. Alaska also embraces the diverse cultures among the communities where we fly. Ever since the airline's fledgling days, Alaska has flown "milk runs" -- shipping food and vital supplies to remote Alaskan towns and villages. We see ourselves as an extension of the places we serve and we're committed to giving back to these communities.

Our giving over the past 35 years reflects our values and our responsibility to enrich the lives of those who depend on us, including our people, our guests, and our communities. In 2017, Alaska Air Group and its employees donated more than \$14 million dollars and contributed more than 32,000 volunteer hours to the communities we serve.

At Alaska Air Group, we believe deeply in the importance of expanding opportunity – to grow careers for our employees, and enable opportunity youth to have more choices and to achieve their future goals. We invest and advocate for education and workforce development, including in aviation careers and Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). Alaska is proud to support the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum’s Time and Navigation exhibit with a belief that cultivating future leaders in STEM is critical to the country and to the future of our travel across and beyond “America by Air.”

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