



WAI Receives \$12,500 Grant from The ISTAT Foundation

Seven years of support helps make Girls in Aviation Day and Aviation for Girls magazine possible

August 20, 2021 – For the seventh year in a row, Women in Aviation International received a \$12,500 grant from The International Society of Transport Aircraft Training (ISTAT) Foundation, which funds educational programs that advance commercial aviation.

As in past years, this grant will be used to expand the distribution of *Aviation for Girls* magazine with The ISTAT Foundation identified as the sponsor of this year's issue. With this grant, the number of copies printed will be distributed in both hard copy and digitally. The 2021 issue of *Aviation for Girls* will be available digitally to all Women in Aviation International members and any interested individuals at WAI.org.

Aviation for Girls will also be polybagged with the September/October issue of *Aviation for Women* so that all WAI members have a copy of the magazine to pass along to a daughter, granddaughter, niece, neighbor, or other girl in their lives.

Through this yearly magazine, girls ages 8 to 17 are introduced to careers in aviation and aerospace. *Aviation for Girls* is an integral part of Girls in Aviation Day. The print version of *Aviation for Girls* will be provided to thousands of kids enrolled for the new Aviation for Girls App, and all 7 issues of the magazine are available digitally on the Aviation for Girls App.

"The ISTAT Foundation's support of *Aviation for Girls* as well as our Girls in Aviation Day events puts all the excitement of aviation in the hands of kids all around the world. With interesting and informative content crafted for all age groups, girls can see opportunities that they may never have considered," says WAI CEO Allison McKay "ISTAT has been a consistent partner since the inception of Girls in Aviation Day. Their generosity helps make thousands of dreams possible."

The ISTAT Foundation was founded in 1994 to provide funds for scholarships, educational programs, and grants to qualified individuals and institutions that promote the advancement of commercial aviation and humanitarianism. The ISTAT Foundation Grants Program, administered by the ISTAT Foundation Grants Committee of the ISTAT Foundation Board of Trustees, offers direct grant funding to non-profit [section 501(c)(3) or its equivalent outside the United States] organizations.

WAI chapters, members, and supporters will celebrate Girls in Aviation Day on September 25, 2021, during in-person or virtual events as local health guidance allows. Visit

<https://www.wai.org/find-your-local-giad-2021-event> for a full list of event locations. The Aviation for Girls App continues to be available on all app stores for free with new content available September 1, 2021, for this year's events.

Many thanks to our 2021 Girls in Aviation Day partners, without whom this incredible program would not be possible. PREMIER – United Airlines CONTRIBUTING – Envoy Air, ISTAT Foundation, PPG Foundation, Pratt & Whitney, Sporty's Pilot Shop SUPPORTING – Air Wisconsin Airlines, ALPA, Amazon, CAE, FedEx Express, Frontier Airlines, GE Aviation, NATCA, Netflix Inc., NetJets/NJASAP, Solarius Aviation, SpaceX, Textron Aviation, The Kroger Company ADDITIONAL PARTNERS – Air Transport Services Group (ATSG), American Express, ASA (Aviation Supplies & Academics Inc.), Cape Air/Nantucket Airlines, Emanuel Bachmann Foundation, Hartzell Propeller, JCL Aviation Services, JJR Solutions, Scorpius Imagery, Wings Financial Credit Union

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Women in Aviation International is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to providing networking, mentoring and scholarship opportunities for women and men who are striving for challenging and fulfilling careers in the aviation and aerospace industries. For more information, contact WAI at waihq@wai.org or visit www.WAI.org.

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