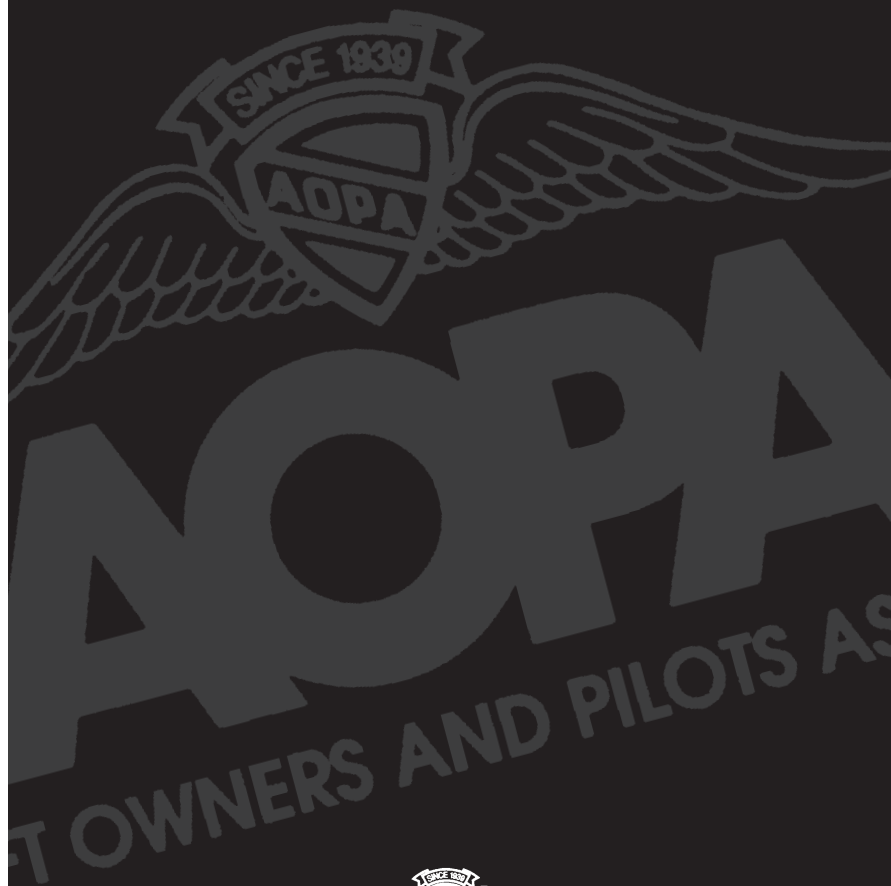


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General aviation is a \$64.5 billion dollar U.S. industry providing economic growth to state and local economies. General aviation includes all civilian flying – small business, private, and corporate – except passenger airline service and the military.

People – General aviation and related activities provide jobs - employing nearly 638,000 people. Over 500,000 of our nation's 635,000 pilots fly general aviation aircraft.



Public Safety – General aviation saves lives from the cities to the remote regions of the U.S. Aircraft and helicopters provide essential community services - emergency medical evacuations, law enforcement, fighting forest fires and more.

Transportation – 145 million people are carried annually in general aviation aircraft. More than 5,400 communities rely on general aviation for their air transportation needs.

Business – General aviation promotes business growth by providing flexible, efficient, direct transportation – when and where businesses need it. More than 65 % of general aviation flights are conducted for business and public services

AOPA /s General Aviation

Work with us at the federal, state and local levels

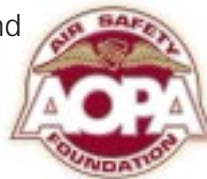
The Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association is general aviation's advocate. More than 370,000 people are AOPA members, more than half of all pilots in the United States.



AOPA is the largest, most influential aviation association in the world. AOPA has achieved its prominent position through effective advocacy, enlightened leadership and technical competence.

AOPA - A successful partner and advocate for general aviation

AOPA provides leadership on behalf of the entire general aviation community in its dealings with federal, state and local authorities. The Association's President and staff regularly meet with key federal legislators, Department of Transportation and Federal Aviation Administration officials, and provide expert testimony to various US Congressional committees. The AOPA Air Safety Foundation also conducts important safety training and distributes vital safety information.



AOPA Regional Representatives are aviation experts and important local resources who work diligently on issues affecting the membership at the regional, state, and local levels.

AOPA technical and operations experts provide important advocacy and representation before the Federal Aviation Administration and other federal agencies.

AOPA Airport Support Network volunteers are the “eyes and ears” at public use airports nationwide. ASN representatives report on situations involving curfews, noise restrictions, and community development issues and work closely with local officials.



Federal

AOPA is a voice of reason advising Congress on aviation policy critical to the efficiency and safety of the nation’s aviation transportation program.

AOPA is a strong advocate for providing funds for long-overdue air traffic control modernization and airport improvements across the U.S.



State

AOPA supports state legislative efforts for dedicated aviation funding programs and increases in transportation funding resources in a large number of states. We work closely with key state legislative committees in formulating aviation policy in the states, including bills affecting land use and tall towers.


Local

AOPA legal counsel, national representation, and airport support network provide support for local authorities in preventing incompatible land development near airports, battle unlawful local airport noise ordinances, and intervene when developers try to close important reliever airports.

AOPA's Regional Representatives

The AOPA Regional Affairs department provides numerous resources to aid state and local officials and pilots in all General Aviation matters. Staff members can be contacted at 301-695-2200.

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