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ANNOUNCING THE "EDUCATE OUR EDUCATORS" GRANT FOR ACF-AFFILIATED PROGRAM LEADERS

DENVER, CO – The Aviation Community Foundation (ACF) has developed the "Educate Our Educators" Grant to better serve their ACF-affiliated Program Leaders. An educator plays a powerful role in enhancing a student's life and the surrounding community on many levels. This grant was created specifically for ACF-affiliated Program Leaders who want to grow their skill set, take a certification course, learn to fly, attend a seminar/industry conference, or participate in an educational event that will help them grow for their students and themselves.

The "Educate Our Educators" Grant will have two (2) application windows: January 1-March 31, with funding awarded in April, and August 1 - October 31, with funding awarded in November, of each year. ACF has built-in emergency application allowance outside of the two open windows in order to accommodate educators who have financial restrictions arise unexpectedly. Special consideration will be allotted on a case-by-case basis.

ACF will begin accepting travel and education-focused mini-grant applications through the "Educate Our Educators" Grant effective immediately through the emergency clause with the first formal application window opening August 1, 2019. ACF understands the significant work and effort educators put into transforming the lives of students, and a priority goal of the organization is to assist Partner Program Leaders in every way possible. "Traditionally, our assistance has mainly stemmed from hosting biannual, collaborative Elevate Workshops, but with the 'Educate Our Educators' Grant, we can foster even more educational and professional development opportunities for these very deserving leaders" – *Jamie Helander, Executive Director*.

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About the Aviation Community Foundation: Founded in 2016, ACF seeks to Launch 1,000,000 Flight Plans for Life and promote diversity and inclusion in aviation. This is accomplished by:

- Inspiring students from *all* backgrounds. ACF helps build life & career paths by opening doors through high-quality mentorship, scholarships, and internships within our aviation community pipelines.
- Identifying and connecting top aviation educators and supporting them in leadership, strategy, collaboration, professional development, grant funding, and mentorship.

Connect with ACF to collaborate and access our network of 100,000+ students and dozens of educators across the country. Contact: Jamie Helander, Executive Director, at jhelander@aviation-community.org or call (720) 815-6331

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