San Gabriel Valley Airport



Serving General Aviation and the San Gabriel Valley since 1936

ocated in the heart of the San Gabriel Valley, San Gabriel Valley Airport, formerly known as El Monte Airport, facilitated over 85,000 general aviation aircraft takeoffs and landings in 2018. The airport is home to over 300 based aircraft and numerous aviation businesses. With an Air Traffic Control Tower operating daily, state-of-the art navigational aids, and an advanced weather reporting Automated Weather Observing System (AWOS), the airport safely and efficiently accommodates a wide range of fixed-wing and rotary-wing aircraft ranging from small two-seat, single-engine propeller aircraft up to much larger and higher capacity turbo-prop and jet aircraft.

Owned and operated by the County of Los Angeles, the airport is self-sufficient. All income generated by the County at the airport is reinvested back into the airport or the County's system of airports.



Within the last year, the County invested over \$5 million in various capital improvement projects at the airport, including the comprehensive rehabilitation of 48

acres of paved apron. The majority of funding for the various capital projects comes from Federal Airport Improvement Program grants or State grants from the California Department of Transportation Division of Aeronautics. Additional funding for capital and other projects comes from the County's Aviation Enterprise Fund.

Overall, the airport plays a vital role in the nation's integrated system of airports and is a valuable asset to the local communities, serving the diverse constituents of the San Gabriel Valley and the broader County of Los Angeles.

COMMUNITY BENEFITS:

General Aviation Products, Services, and Facilities

- * Business / Corporate Travel
- * Aircraft Charter / Air Taxi
- * Flight Training
- * Personal Flying (Recreation and Training)
- * Utility/Pipeline Patrol & Inspection
- * Aerial Surveying & Observation
- * Aircraft Storage
- * Aviation Businesses (Aircraft Fueling, Maintenance/Repair, and Rental, Sale of Parts and Supplies, etc.)

Emergency Preparedness & Response

- * Aerial Fire Fighting Support (utilized by L.A. County Fire, U.S. Forest Service, and other support agencies)
- Law Enforcement/National Security (El Monte Police Department Air Unit is based at the airport)
- * Disaster Relief
- * Search & Rescue

Community Services & Facilities

- * Aeromedical / Air Ambulance Flights
- * News, Weather & Traffic Reporting
- * Events (Annual Air Fair, Airport Tours, etc.)
- * Youth Organizations / Educational Programs
- * Restaurant and Meeting Facilities
- * Aircraft Viewing Area

Destination & Special Events

- * Local and regional tourism
- * Irwindale Speedway (4.5 mi.), Santa Anita Park and The Arboretum (5 mi.), Pasadena Rose Bowl (13 mi.)

Employment

* The airport directly supports approximately 123 jobs. Accounting for the multiplier effect, the airport creates roughly 185 jobs, with associated labor income of nearly \$7.8 million annually.

Economic Impact

* The airport and the surrounding communities benefit from the estimated \$21.5 million in total airport-related (direct, indirect and induced) spending each year.



(**General Aviation** includes all civilian flying exclusive of scheduled passenger airlines and military.)

