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****Aerotropolis Atlanta Alliance Receives \$100,000 Grant from Legacy Investor, Chick-fil-A, Inc.****

Aerotropolis Atlanta Alliance, Inc (AeroATL) is a Metro Atlanta nonprofit dedicated to serving as a catalyst for regional economic competitiveness for the area surrounding Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport. The Board of Directors is excited to announce the organization has received a generous \$100,000 grant from Chick-fil-A, Inc., one of its Legacy investors.

This significant grant highlights the shared commitment between Aerotropolis Atlanta Alliance and Chick-fil-A to develop thriving corporations and communities South of I-20 surrounding the world's busiest airport.

The nature of the grant empowers AeroATL to advance key initiatives that align with the organization's vision to create an inclusive world-class destination for all those who live, learn, work, and play in the Aerotropolis Region.

"We're fortunate to receive this generous gift and continued leadership from Chick-fil-A, which has supported AeroATL since inception. This grant will help us tremendously towards our highly anticipated Capital Campaign, where we will seek to secure an Aerotropolis Headquarters," said Shannon James, President and CEO at Aerotropolis Atlanta Alliance.

Chick-fil-A has a longstanding history of investing in organizations that make a positive impact on the communities it serves. This grant reinforces Chick-fil-A's dedication to supporting initiatives that contribute to the overall well-being and prosperity of the Aerotropolis region.

The Aerotropolis Atlanta Alliance Board of Directors and staff look forward to leveraging this grant to implement transformative projects, engage with the local community, and build a foundation for long-term success.

About Aerotropolis Atlanta Alliance

The Aerotropolis Atlanta Alliance is a public-private partnership working to improve economic prosperity in South Fulton and Clayton County, Georgia. Our mission is to serve as a catalyst for regional economic competitiveness surrounding [Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport \(ATL\)](#). The busiest and most efficient airport in the world generates \$34.8 billion in economic impact for metro Atlanta and provides more than 63,000 jobs on-site, making it the State's largest employer. A gateway to the world, our vision is to create an inclusive, world-class destination for all those who live, learn, work, and play in the Aerotropolis region. Public partners include the City of Hapeville, College Park, East Point, Union City, Fairburn, South Fulton, Chattahoochee Hills, Palmetto, Unincorporated Clayton County, Forest Park, Riverdale, Jonesboro, and Lovejoy. Our core initiatives include economic, community, and workforce development.

About Chick-fil-A, Inc.

Chick-fil-A, Inc. is the third largest quick-service restaurant company in the United States, known for its freshly-prepared food, signature hospitality, and unique franchise model. More than 200,000 Team Members are employed by independent owner-operators in more than 3,000 restaurants across the United States, Canada, and Puerto Rico. In 2023, the company shared plans to expand by 2030 into Europe and Asia. Chick-fil-A owner-operators live and work in the communities their restaurants serve, each supporting local efforts to address hunger, education, and making a positive impact. The family-owned and privately held company was founded in 1967 by S. Truett Cathy. More information on Chick-fil-A is available at www.chick-fil-a.com and @ChickfilANews.

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