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### **Monterey Regional Airport looks to the future as they celebrate 75 years!**

MONTEREY, CA –The Monterey Regional Airport (MRY) is celebrating 75 years and looking ahead to 75 more with a year of celebration including a community day and trip giveaways. These events will be announced via the airport website, e-newsletter and social media as the details are finalized.

The Monterey Peninsula Airport District was created on March 31, 1941. Over the 75 year history, the airport has served as the welcome mat to visitors of the Central Coast, movie stars and dignitaries such as Pope John Paul II, Bobby Kennedy, Eleanor Roosevelt and many more. Over the years, airlines and routes have come and gone but the one thing that remains the same is MRY offers convenient service to hub airports which can take you anywhere in the world.

How is the airport doing after 75 years? From an economic standpoint, it pumps an estimated \$302.4 Million annually into the region's economy and creates support for 2,411 jobs. In 2015, over 362,000 passengers traveled through MRY.

"We are investing in the future of aviation and working hard to prepare for what the aviation industry will look like in another 75 years." said Mike La Pier, Executive Director, "We will use creative measures toward adopting new strategic initiatives to keep up with the evolving airline industry and target economic development opportunities. We are also looking to add more carriers with new non-stop destinations"

Monterey Regional Airport has non-stop service to: Los Angeles (United & Alaska Airlines), Las Vegas (Allegiant), San Francisco (United Airlines) and San Diego (Alaska Airlines). Serving Salinas – Santa Cruz – Monterey. For more information please visit our website: [www.montereyairport.com](http://www.montereyairport.com)