

# **ANNUAL REPORT 2022** Angel Flight CELEBRATING HEALTH AND HOPE







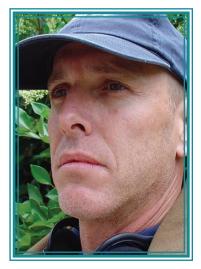
# **OUR MISSION**

Angel Flight West delivers health and hope using donated flights to serve those with healthcare or other compelling human needs. In the air, Angel Flight West links volunteer pilots and commercial airlines with people whose non-emergency health needs require air transportation to access care. On the ground, volunteer drivers ferry passengers to and from their departure and destination airports.

# **OUR VISION**

Our vision is a culture of care in which all people have access to health care and other essential services regardless of social, economic or geographic circumstances. Angel Flight West is a board-led, staff-managed and volunteer-driven organization focused on safety and professionalism, operating honestly and transparently, and always seeking to improve.

### A LETTER FROM OUR CHAIR AND DIRECTOR



Mark Wolper, Chair



Josh Olson, Director

**2022** was a year of recovery and growth. Thank you for your support in helping us make sure we were ready to meet the needs of our passengers, their families, and our healthcare and nonprofit partners. As we emerge from the pandemic, health care is forever changed. But thanks to your help, we were able to serve 500 more people than in the previous year and flew 4,600 missions and completed 1,383 Earth Angel ground trips.

As always, we focused on learning from our passengers, partners, and volunteers, as we worked together to course correct toward a more equitable future. We never lost track of our goal to create greater access to health care and hope for our passengers, one flight at a time. Our flight plan included expanding our team, honing our technology, introducing Spanish language outreach, and getting back to in-person fundraising events. During the holiday season, our volunteers collected and delivered gifts to 25 families in need, and to elementary students at a Title I school in Utah. And we ended the year by receiving The President's Volunteer Service Award from the White House in recognition of our volunteers and their service to others.

This success reflects the dedication and determination of our incredible Angel Flight West team: our volunteers, staff, board, partners, and supporters. Together we're changing lives through the gift of flight. The runway is cleared for a landmark year ahead, when we'll celebrate 40 years of service and our 100,000th donated flight. We couldn't have accomplished any of this without our community of support and the hard work and dedication of so many. Thank you for being the wind under our wings.

Onward to blue skies and tailwinds!

Mark Wolper, Board Chair Mark Wolper Josh Olson, Executive Director Josh Olson

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## THANK YOU FOR MAKING IT COUNT

The number of missions we fly and drive wouldn't be possible without your generosity. Visit our webpage at <u>angelflightwest.org/</u><u>list-of-donors</u> or scan the code to see our full list of supporters.

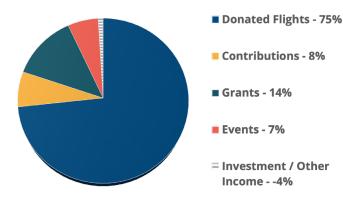




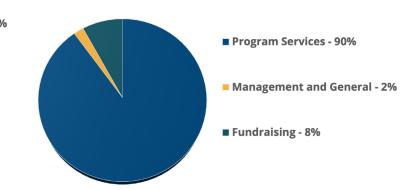
## **2022 FINANCIALS**

Visit <u>https://www.angelflightwest.org/about-us/#ab-financial</u> or scan the QR code to see our full financials.

#### **TOTAL REVENUE**



#### TOTAL EXPENSES

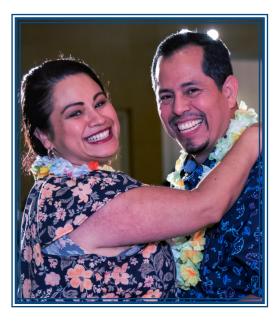


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### THANK YOU TO ALASKA AIRLINES AND OUR OTHER AIRLINE PARTNERS

#### Mokulele Airlines - Hawaiian Airlines - Contour Airlines - JSX - Ravn

**2022 MISSION MOMENT:** Bernardo lost his right arm and left leg in a terrible motorcycle accident in 2018. This year, our partner Alaska Airlines helped Bernardo and his wife fly from their home in Seattle, WA to the Amputee Coalition Conference in Palm Springs, CA to find support - and hope.



"Thank you for giving us the greatest opportunity to meet with the amputee family," says Bernardo. "Thank you for bringing us hope."

### THANK YOU TO OUR HEALTHCARE PARTNERS

While this is a partial listing, we're grateful for each partner.

Alaska Heart Institute The Angeles Clinic and Research Institute, CA Asante Three Rivers Medical Center, OR **Billings Pediatric Specialty, MT** Bozeman Health, MT Cancer Treatment Centers of America, AZ Cedars-Sinai, CA Children's Hospital Colorado City of Hope Duarte, CA and Phoenix, AZ Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center Fairbanks Memorial Hospital, AK Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center, WA Hospice of Santa Barbara, CA Huntsman Cancer Institute, UT Hyperthermia Cancer Institute, CA Kalispell Regional Medical Center, MT Lander Medical, WY LifeStream Blood Bank, CA

Maui Cancer AdvoCare, HI Mayo Clinic, AZ National Disaster Search Dog Foundation, CA Northern Nevada Ronald McDonald, NV **Oregon Health & Science University** Pacific Cancer Foundation, HI Portland VA Medical Center, OR Providence Alaska Medical Center, AK Reno VA Medical Center, NV Seattle Cancer Care Alliance, WA Seattle Children's Hospital, WA Seattle Integrative Cancer Center, WA Stanford Health Care/Lucile Packard, CA UCLA Health, CA UC San Diego Health, CA UCSF Health / Benioff Children's Hospitals, CA University of Colorado Health University of Utah Virginia Mason Medical Center, WA

### **MEET KLYDE: EIGHT YEARS AND 80 FLIGHTS**

My name is Jo-Ann and my son's name is Klyde. We've been flying with Angel Flight West for eight years. I'm a single mom with a child with special needs. Klyde is 10 and he's gone through a lot on his medical journey, including surgeries, testing, and follow-ups.

Angel Flight West has shared their kindness and caring hearts. From the beginning to the end of every flight, they're generous with their kind words and willingness to get us to Stanford Children's and back home safe and sound.

I'm so thankful to the organization. It's a team effort, and they all work together to make miracles happen. I say this because I know I wouldn't have been able to get Klyde to his medical care without them. They've comforted my heart and eased my mind of the stress that comes with making sure Klyde gets to the hospital in time.

I'm so grateful to the volunteers and team for helping my son get -- and stay -- healthy. They call themselves Angel Flight West for a perfect reason -- they're all truly angels.

-Jo-Ann, Mother of AFW Passenger Klyde



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## **2022 VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT**

We express our sincere gratitude to each volunteer who flew or drove a mission in 2022. Visit <u>angelflightwest.org/volunteers-of-</u><u>the-year</u> or scan the code to see our full list of volunteers.



Earth Angel Dotian McReynolds and AFW Passenger Eileen

#### **Overall Top Flyers Overall Top Drivers**

**Chris Bennett** 78 angel flights

**Yosuke Tanaka** 75 angel flights

John Jewett 74 angel flights

Stephen Zimmermann John Myers

Dotian McReynolds

66 ground trips

**Dennis Phelan** 40 ground trips

Marlene Hutchison 30 ground trips

### **TOP FLYERS BY WING**

**Arizona** Dennis Phelan

N. California

**Chris Bennett** 

S. California

Mark Carter

**Hawaii** Yosuke Tanaka

Idaho

Vic Jaro

Colorado

Nevada Michael Evans

Montana

**Oregon** Johannes Weis **Utah** Michael Valentine

Washington John Jewett

Wyoming John Larsen

### **TOP DRIVERS BY WING**

**Arizona** Dennis Phelan **Colorado** Claudia Meyers

**N. California** Dotian McReynolds

**S. California** Margot Bernal **Hawaii** Ai Vu

**Idaho** Justin Jackson **Montana** John Myers

**Nevada** Valerie Perry

**Oregon** Kevin Dennis

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**Utah** Karen Ardin

Washington Marlene Hutchison





### THE BOND BETWEEN PILOT AND PASSENGER

As a volunteer pilot with Angel Flight West (AFW) since 2014, Chris has flown 574 missions to help passengers travel to far-off care. In 2022, Chris was our top flyer, completing an incredible 78 flights.

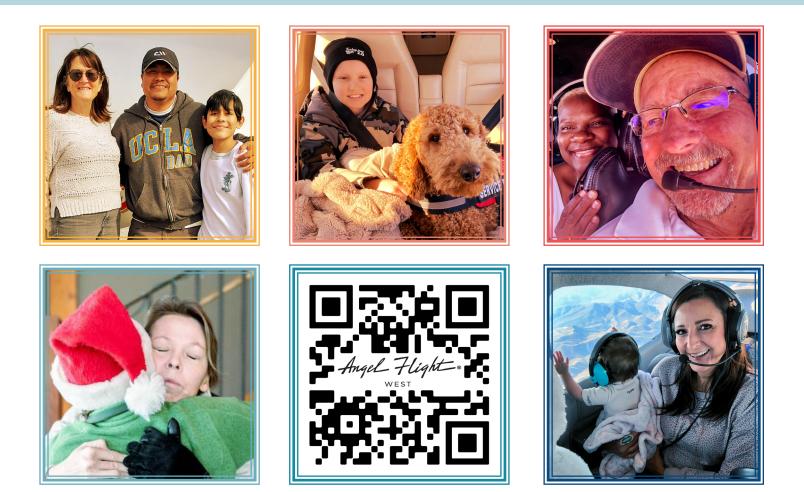
Chris' aviation journey began more than 10 years ago. "As soon as I earned my pilot certificate in 2012, I was completely seduced," he says. Intrigued by the idea of charitable aviation, Chris soon signed up to volunteer for AFW. "This organization has given me the opportunity to help people in tangible ways," he says. "It's been very rewarding."

The special relationships formed through his gifts of flight have been long lasting. He's flown numerous passengers dozens – and some even hundreds – of times. One of those frequent flyers Is Eileen from Atwater, Calif. Every Friday, Chris meets Eileen at her local airport to fly her to Merced for her appointments at San Carlos Medical Center. Since 2016, the duo has taken to the skies 230 times. "It's a privilege to be involved in her life," Chris says. "And our paths may have never crossed if not for Angel Flight West."

Pictured above, Tiffany was another of Chris' repeat passengers. Born with cystic fibrosis, Tiffany was a double-lung transplant recipient who bravely fought for and warmly embraced life. Over the past five years, Chris welcomed Tiffany onto his Diamond Star aircraft 45 times to get her to and from critical care. "Tiffany was relentless in her zest for life," says Chris. "It was centering to spend time with her, and I truly enjoyed her friendship."

Tiffany passed away a few months after their last flight together, but we're humbled by the friendship the two formed in between their takeoffs and landings. "I'll be telling people about Tiffany for the rest of my life," he says.

Thank you for your commitment and dedication to our passengers, Chris.



### WAYS TO GIVE

Thank you for choosing to make a gift to Angel Flight West. Your donation helps us arrange flights for people who need help accessing far-off care, just like those in the photos above. Together, we're removing the transportation barrier to health care one angel flight at a time.



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