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*** MEDIA ADVISORY ***

Chico Regional Airport FREE Public Open House “*Take Off Chico*” on Oct. 14

WHO: The City of Chico, in collaboration with the Chico Air Museum, is proud to announce *Take Off Chico*, a free open house event at the Chico Regional Airport (<https://takeoffchico.com/>).

Current exhibitors include multiple private aviation entities as well as representatives from local, state and federal-level governmental organizations. A current list of exhibitors can be found at <https://takeoffchico.com/#partner-list>. Potential exhibitors, aircraft owners, and local vendors who are interested in taking part in the Chico Regional Airport Open House can visit the Vendor and Exhibitor Resources page (<https://takeoffchico.com/#vendors>) to learn how to participate.

The City is proud to partner with the Chico Air Museum for this event.

WHAT: The event will give attendees of all ages the chance to get an exclusive behind-the-scenes peek at operations at Chico Regional Airport. Exhibitors from organizations across the North State will be on-site and ready to offer attendees a wide variety of interesting things and subjects to explore, with local vendors and restaurateurs nearby to satisfy your cravings. Live music will be offered by the United States Air Force Band of the Golden West.

Some of the displays include:

- World War I and World War II Aircraft on display by DreamFlights
- World War II Warbird display and joyrides offered by Adventure Flights Lincoln
- R22 Helicopter display and introductory flights offered by Dawson Taylor Aviation
- Biplane display offered by Schooler Flying Company
- Explosive Ordinance demonstration by the United States Air Force
- Law Enforcement Aircraft on display by the California Highway Patrol and Butte County Sheriff's Office
- FlightCare Aircraft on display by Enloe FlightCare
- Information about Chico's Commercial Air Service Development

Immediately following this event, the Chico Air Museum will be teaming up with the Oro Dam Cruisers to offer a family-friendly drive-in movie night on the tarmac in front of the Chico Air

Museum. Tickets can be accessed at: <https://www.simpletix.com/e/chico-airport-drive-in-movie-night-tickets-141167>. Prices are as follows:

- **\$20:** Reserved Classic Car Seating
- **\$10:** Limited First Come First Serve General Parking
- **Free:** General Admission – Lawn Chair Seating

WHEN: October 14, 2023

- 3pm-7pm - Chico Regional Airport Open House
- 7pm - Drive-In Movie Night

WHERE: This event will be hosted on the tarmac at Chico Regional Airport. Access to this event and parking can be found at the Chico Regional Airport Passenger Terminal:
150 Air Park Blvd, Chico, CA 95973.

Attendees of the Movie Night can remain parked at the Chico Regional Airport Passenger Terminal for the duration of the event, or may proceed to **165 Ryan Ave, Chico, CA 95973.**

WHY: The Chico Regional Airport is working to bring commercial air service back to Chico. The airport is currently open and is an essential part of the community. The Chico Regional Airport Open House is an opportunity to invite the public to come get involved, increase public engagement, and raise awareness about the importance of the airport.

PHOTO/INTERVIEW OPPORTUNITIES: Members of the press are encouraged to attend and photograph this free event. Any needs for accommodations at the event may be submitted in writing via e-mail no later than **October 11th, 2023** to Tom Bahr, Airport Manager, 530-896-7216 or Tom.Bahr@chicoca.gov.

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