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### 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Young Eagles Rally Scheduled for September 23<sup>rd</sup>

**South Lake Tahoe, CA (August 21, 2017)** – The Truckee Chapter of the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) will be hosting the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Young Eagles Rally at the Lake Tahoe Airport on September 23, 2017 and will provide free airplane rides to youth ages 8 to 17 years old beginning at 8am.

The EAA started the Young Eagles program in 1992 with the goal of introducing a million youths to aviation with a free airplane ride by the Wright brothers' flight centennial, December 17, 2003. They've exceeded their national goal and continued the program, having flown over 2 million Young Eagles worldwide since 1992.

"The pilots and ground volunteers enjoyed the small town air show atmosphere, and also noticed how appreciative kids and parents were for our doing the flights," said Tom Meadows, EAA Young Eagles Coordinator.

The most visible volunteers in the Young Eagles program are the pilots. More than 40,000 men and women worldwide volunteer their time to the EAA. "Pilots are not compensated monetarily for their time or their aircraft costs but their rewards come from being the first to see the youths gleeful expressions in the air and on the ground," said Tom Meadows, EAA Young Eagles Coordinator. For more information visit the EAA Chapter 1073 online at [www.eaa1073.org](http://www.eaa1073.org)



"When you Help Young Eagles fly, this is all the thanks you need."

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