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*The Air Care Alliance promotes, supports and represents public benefit flying through communication and cooperation among organizations facilitating flights for health, compassion, and community service.*

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Air Care Conference - April 17th & 18th  
Hosted by Angel Flight West in Van Nuys,  
CA

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### PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENT: ACA Hires First Executive Director

In 2019, the Board of Directors of the Air Care Alliance developed a new vision for the future of our organization:

*"The Air Care Alliance will maximize charitable aviation through organizations and pilots flying to serve the needs of humanity."*

This new vision leads to new strategies for ACA and a support model that

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Volunteer Pilot Organizations: Please forward to your pilots to help us serve them better.

ensures those strategies are successfully executed. Our first step was to create a new position of Executive Director and we are thrilled to announce that Kristinia Luke has accepted this key leadership role, the first of its kind at ACA.

Kris has been a champion of charitable aviation for nearly a decade and brings extensive experience in public benefit flying and non-profits.

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## COMPASSION Call Sign

Changes to FAA Call Sign Requirements Affect CMF



**PILOTS: Register for a Call Sign**

**VPOs: Get Authorized for CMF**

FAA and ICAO changes to call sign requirements meant a revamp of the way volunteer pilots use the COMPASSION call sign. The original filing process using a portion of the aircraft's tail number is no longer valid and ACA has begun assigning discrete COMPASSION call signs to verified pilots of authorized organizations.

"ACA has worked with the FAA on behalf of volunteer pilot organizations to develop a process that meets the new requirements and allows the pilots to continue using the COMPASSION call sign." says Rol Murrow, Chairman and Founder of the ACA.

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## NAA Presents 2019 National Public Benefit Flying Awards



On November 12th, 2019 the Air Care Alliance and the National Aeronautic Association presented the National Public Benefit Flying Awards during NAA's annual Fall Awards Program.

Four volunteers representing Angel Flight Central, Angel Flight South Central, Wings of Hope and Veterans Airlift Command received awards.

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## LEGAL CORNER

### Fuel Reimbursement for Volunteer Pilots



Do you receive fuel reimbursement for your volunteer flights? Do you want to? Would you accept more flights if you could?

Under current FAA regulations, a pilot cannot accept any compensation for these flights other than in the form of logging time or taking a tax deduction...

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## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

News, Stories and Noteworthy Achievements



Have a story you'd like to share? We want to feature YOU! Email your stories, articles or noteworthy achievements to [k.luke@aircarealliance.org](mailto:k.luke@aircarealliance.org)

And don't forget to check out some of the great things our members are doing in their communities- like **Todd Irwin of Angel Flight East** who was recently honored by the Philadelphia Eagles for his service!

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## SPECIAL THANKS!

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### **The St. Peter Family**

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Your generous contributions to ACA and steadfast support of public benefit flying are making a difference for charitable aviation and volunteer pilots everywhere. Thank you!!!

***"ACA has been extremely helpful implementing the call sign use and allowing our pilots to register.***

***Animals are sensitive to altitude changes and rates of ascent and descent, so having the call sign available will aid in making our flights more comfortable for all."***

***--Debi Boies, President & Founder, Pilots N Paws***

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