

## **For Immediate Release:**

# Avelo Airlines Celebrates One Year of Flying from Portland / Salem

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**PORTLAND and SALEM, Ore., Oct. 5, 2024** — Avelo Airlines is celebrating its first full year of flying nonstop from the greater Portland/Salem region to Las Vegas' Harry Reid International Airport (LAS) and L.A.'s Hollywood Burbank Airport (BUR).

Travel-inspiring, one-way fares from SLE start at \$51\*. Travelers can make reservations at AveloAir.com.

Avelo became the first commercial airline to serve Salem Municipal Airport in 15 years when it took flight on October 5, 2023. Salem sits in the heart of Oregon's Willamette Valley, home to nearly 100 cities including Portland, Eugene, Corvallis, and Beaverton. With 70% of Oregon's population living in the Valley, Avelo's service at SLE continues to make getting to Southern California and Las Vegas easier than ever.

**Avelo Airlines Founder and CEO Andrew Levy** said, "We can't believe it's already been one year since we inaugurated service in Salem. We are encouraged by the positive reception we've received from our customers in the Willamette Valley. Avelo has made flying to Southern California and Las Vegas from this region easier, faster, and more reliable than ever. We look forward to continuing to inspire more travel in the months to come."

Since Avelo's first flight at SLE, the airline has flown over 55,000 Customers on more than 500 flights. Avelo is distinguished by its industry-leading reliability. Year-to-date, Avelo ranks #1 in on-time performance and achieved the lowest flight cancellation rate in the industry. These results are reported by Anuvu, a leading aviation data services company also utilized by The Wall Street Journal for the publication's annual airline ranking. Anuvu's complete industry results and rankings are available at <a href="AveloAir.com">AveloAir.com</a>.

**Salem Mayor Chris Hoy** said, "Our investment in the Salem-Willamette Valley Airport and the partnership with Avelo Airlines continues to beat expectations. In the first year of operation, more than 55,000 travelers have enjoyed the unbelievable convenience of the Salem-Willamette Valley Airport. I can't wait to see what the future brings for our growing airport and the community of Salem as commercial air service continues to grow."

**Travel Salem CEO Angie Villery** said, "We're so excited to celebrate Avelo's one-year anniversary providing commercial air service at the Salem – Willamette Valley Airport. Nearly 47% of passengers who flew during the first six months of service were visitors, which is significant in terms of spurring economic development and growing tourism in the region. We look forward to continued growth and partnership with Avelo."

## **Exploring The Entertainment Capital of the World**

As one of North America's leading business and leisure destinations, Las Vegas offers something for everyone, including unrivaled entertainment and nightlife, exhilarating sporting events, world-famous hotels and dining experiences, casinos, shopping and more. Minutes from the glitz and glam, outdoor enthusiasts hit the jackpot with endless adventures including hiking, water activities, off-roading, and top-rated golf courses.

## The Best Way to L.A.

Situated in the heart of Southern California, BUR is surrounded by L.A.'s iconic beaches, dining, entertainment, shopping, and sun-soaked outdoor recreation. Whether travelers are departing or arriving, BUR offers a refreshingly convenient and hassle-free experience. Named the 2019 "Best U.S. Airport" by Fodor's Travel, BUR features include seamless curbside pickup and drop-off, smaller crowds, unrivaled speed for plane-to-carousel bag delivery, faster TSA security lines, and short walking distances between the terminal and ground transportation, parking, and rental cars (instead of the time-consuming shuttle buses required at L.A.'s much larger airport). All of this makes BUR the ultra-convenient, stress-free gateway to Los Angeles.

#### **About Avelo Airlines**

Avelo Airlines' purpose is to *Inspire Travel* by saving people time and money. The airline offers travelers time and money-saving convenience, everyday low fares, and a refreshingly smooth, caring and reliable travel experience. Operating a fleet of 19 Boeing Next-Generation 737 aircraft, Avelo serves 49 popular destinations across the United States, Jamaica and Mexico, including its six bases at Los Angeles' Hollywood Burbank Airport (BUR), Southern Connecticut's Tweed-New Haven Airport (HVN), the Philadelphia and Delaware Valley region's Wilmington Airport (ILG), Raleigh-Durham International Airport (RDU) and the Bay Area's Sonoma County Airport (STS). On October 24, 2024, Avelo will open its Central Florida Base at Lakeland International Airport (LAL). For more information visit <u>AveloAir.com</u> or the Avelo Newsroom at <u>AveloAir.com/Newsroom</u>.

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