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## **SkyWest Airlines' Mini Indy 2011 Raises More than \$110,000 Proceeds Benefit United Way Dixie and SkyWest's Scholarship Fund**

### **For Immediate Release**

**St. George, UT, Aug. 12, 2011** – The donation totals are in for SkyWest Airlines' annual Mini Indy! Once again, the charity event was a success as it raised more than \$110,000 for United Way Dixie and the SkyWest Scholarship Program.

This year, 37 teams from around the world met in St. George to race go-carts and contend for the title of Mini Indy Champion. Since its inception in 2000, Mini Indy has raised nearly one million dollars for local charities through the race itself, golf tournament, dinner, pit crew competition and more.

Sponsored by SkyWest Airlines and the City of St. George, Mini Indy is the largest event benefiting United Way Dixie. In turn, United Way Dixie provides support for a number of charitable organizations and programs in Washington County including the Learning Center for Families, a non-profit organization that provides intervention and learning programs for children who are at-risk or have delays or disabilities.

"With dwindling resources in our state over the last two years, these funds have been essential to the operation of our agency," Debbie Justice, Director of the Learning Center for Families explains. The funds allocated to the Learning Center for Families from United Way Dixie go to providing licensed mental health professionals and speech, occupational and physical therapists as well as equipment to the participants.

The DOVE Center is another non-profit organization that also relies on United Way Dixie and the funds received from Mini Indy to support the services that they provide for women and children who have been victims of violence.

"Because all of our services are free of charge for anyone who seeks them, we really count on our funds from United Way Dixie and appreciate the support that is given in their efforts to raise funds," says, Katy Peterson, Executive Director of the DOVE Center in St. George.

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Additionally, funds raised through Mini Indy assist with the SkyWest Scholarship Fund, helping SkyWest employees and their families achieve their educational goals.

For more information on Mini Indy 2011, including race results and statistics, visit [www.miniindy.org](http://www.miniindy.org).

### **About SkyWest Airlines**

SkyWest Airlines is the world's largest independently owned regional airline. With a fleet of 310 aircraft, SkyWest's more than 11,000 aviation professionals operate more than 1,800 flights each day to 161 destinations throughout North America. As a leading air service provider offering global access to millions of people each month, SkyWest partners with the world's largest network carriers including United Airlines, Delta Air Lines, AirTran Airways and Alaska Airlines. SkyWest is known for its industry-leading workforce, exceptional leadership team, and continued solid operational and economic performance. The airline is headquartered in St. George, Utah.

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