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Mini Indy 2012 is Just Around the Corner!

Go-cart racers prepare to compete in SkyWest Airlines' Twelfth Annual Mini Indy

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St. George, Utah, March 9, 2012 – In less than two weeks, hundreds of people from around the globe will gather in St. George to test themselves at the Black Hill Speedway as part of SkyWest Airlines' 2012 Mini Indy. This year's premier charity racing event promises intense competition, great views of Utah's Dixie from a top-notch racing track and the chance to give back to the Southern Utah community. Members of the media* are invited to attend the go-cart race on Friday, March 23.

Twelve years ago, the Mini Indy groundwork was laid as a handful of teams living in and around St. George assembled to mix fun with fundraising (and who can say no to the excitement of go-cart racing?!). The event was a huge success, and today, SkyWest's Mini Indy has contributed more than \$800,000 to United Way Dixie, helping to support countless individuals. Nearly 40 teams are preparing to hit the track this year with hopes of bringing home the coveted title: Mini Indy Grand Champion.

This year's race holds particular significance as SkyWest Airlines celebrates 40 years of flight! The airline began in 1972 with a simple goal: to provide reliable service to St. George travelers. The commitment to SkyWest's hometown remains unwavering today; in addition to Mini Indy and numerous local contributions, SkyWest provides world-class air service to thousands of Southern Utah travelers.

Hosted by SkyWest Airlines and the City of St. George, Mini Indy's checkered flag will fly at 10 a.m. The adrenaline-pumping competition promises

food, fun and racing – all to raise significant funds for charity. To find out more about SkyWest's Mini Indy or to see highlights, pictures and videos from past races, visit www.miniindy.org.

About SkyWest Airlines

SkyWest Airlines celebrates forty years of flight in 2012. 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, Alaska Airlines and US Airways. With a fleet of 318 aircraft, SkyWest's more than 11,000 aviation professionals operate more than 1,800 flights each day to 156 destinations throughout North America. 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. For more information visit www.skywest.com or follow us on Twitter @SkyWestAirlines.

About Mini Indy

SkyWest's Mini Indy brings local, national and international businesses to St. George for a charity event that mixes fun with fundraising. Since the inception of this event, Mini Indy has helped raise more than \$800,000 through generous contributions from our supporters. The event generates funds for United Way Dixie, which in turn sustains generous contributions to a number of Washington County-based charitable organizations and community programs. Visit www.miniindy.org.

*Editor's Note

Media are encouraged to attend and cover the airline industry's premier charity race. Photo and interview opportunities will be available all day; please contact Jessica Bowers at 435.634.3549 to secure your media pass. High-resolution images of Mini Indy, as well as logos and event schedules are available upon request.

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