



WAI Receives \$12,000 Grant from the ISTAT Foundation

Funds used for Girls in Aviation Day and Aviation for Girls magazine

September 27, 2018 – Women in Aviation International received a \$12,000 grant from the International Society of Transport Aircraft Training (ISTAT) Foundation, which funds educational programs that advance commercial aviation. This is the fourth year that WAI has received an ISTAT Foundation grant.

The grant will be used to further expand the distribution of *Aviation for Girls* magazine and will identify the ISTAT Foundation as the sponsor of this year's issue. With this grant, the number of copies printed will be increased and its distribution expanded in hard copy and digitally. The 2018 issue of *Aviation for Girls* will be available digitally to all Women in Aviation International members and any interested individuals at <https://afgdigital.epubxp.com/t/186918-aviation-for-girls>

Aviation for Girls is an integral part of Girls in Aviation Day. WAI's chapters will distribute the magazine on Saturday, October 13, 2018, to participants at hundreds of events around the world. Through this yearly magazine, girls ages 8 to 17 will be introduced to a career in aviation and aerospace and have something to take home which is full of resources for those who want to continue to learn more about these exciting careers and lifestyle.

"The ISTAT Foundation was an early supporter of Girls in Aviation Day and our first outside grant for this educational outreach," says WAI Outreach Director Molly Martin. "Because of the continued generosity of the ISTAT Foundation, we are able to expand our distribution of *Aviation for Girls*, giving the girls a great take-home item that they will read and save. Through this grant, ISTAT has reached thousands of girls and opened their minds to a career in aviation and aerospace. We remain grateful to the ISTAT Foundation for joining us in this important initiative."

The ISTAT Foundation was founded in 1994 to provide funds for scholarships, educational programs, and grants to qualified individuals and institutions that promote the advancement of commercial aviation and humanitarianism. The ISTAT Foundation Grants Program, administered by the ISTAT Foundation Grants Committee of the ISTAT Foundation Board of Trustees, offers direct grant funding to non-profit [section 501(c)(3) or its equivalent outside the United States] organizations.

More information on Girls in Aviation Day, October 13, 2018, including information about local chapter events, can be found at www.wai.org/events/girls-aviation-day-2018

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Women in Aviation International is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to providing networking, mentoring and scholarship opportunities for women and men who are striving for challenging and fulfilling careers in the aviation and aerospace industries. For more information, contact WAI at 3647 State Route 503 South, West Alexandria, OH 45381, Phone (937) 839-4647; Fax (937) 839-4645 or through www.wai.org.

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