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The logo of the Virginia Department of Aviation is a circular seal. It features a stylized aircraft in flight, with a propeller and wings, set against a background of a sunburst. The words "VIRGINIA" and "DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION" are written around the perimeter of the seal.

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## **Virginia Department of Aviation Receives Grant to Continue Ambassadors Awards**

RICHMOND, VA – The Virginia Department of Aviation (DOAV) is pleased to announce that it has received a \$10,000 grant from the Virginia Aeronautical Historical Society, funded by its partners Heart of Virginia Aviation and Tecnam Aircraft, to continue providing rewards for its Virginia Aviation Ambassadors Program. The Ambassadors program recognition rewards had been suspended in February due to low aviation revenue collections.

The highly successful Virginia Aviation Ambassadors Program was established in 2005 to encourage pilots and the general public to visit Virginia's 66 public use airports, attend pilot safety seminars, and visit aviation museums. At each location or event, participants receive a stamp in an Aviation Passport.

Participants are encouraged to visit the Virginia Department of Aviation's website: [www.doav.virginia.gov](http://www.doav.virginia.gov) to receive the latest information regarding the program.

The Virginia Department of Aviation is a state agency whose mission is to cultivate an advanced aviation system that is safe, secure and provides for economic development; promote aviation awareness and education; and provide flight services for the Commonwealth Leadership and State agencies. ([www.doav.virginia.gov](http://www.doav.virginia.gov))

**Heart of Virginia Aviation** ([www.flyhova.com](http://www.flyhova.com)) is a full service fixed base operator, flight training center, charter operator and one stop aviation center located at the Hanover County Airport, just north of Richmond, Virginia and is the exclusive regional distributor for **Tecnam Aircraft** ([www.tecnamaircraft.com](http://www.tecnamaircraft.com)).

**The Virginia Aeronautical Historical Society** (VAHS) is a private, non-partisan, non-profit and tax exempt organization dedicated to the study, research, interpretation, and preservation of Virginia's aerospace heritage and sponsor of the Virginia Aviation Hall of Fame. ([www.vahsonline.org](http://www.vahsonline.org)).

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