Transportation challenges create one of the most daunting barriers to healthcare—a barrier second only to the cost. Every day, Angel Flight West’s volunteer pilots fly people to their medical appointments at no cost to the passenger.

“It’s a chance to put back into society. In some cases, the difference you make knocks you over. You get a lot more out of it than you put into it. I haven’t met anyone in the organization whose heart is not in it.”
-Volunteer Pilot, Tom Close, 100+ missions

Join our network of 1,800+ volunteer pilots who serve others through charitable aviation.

Change lives by aiding passengers with transportation to medical care, specialty camps, and other essential services across the Western United States.

Enjoy full control over when you fly, how often you fly, and what passengers you fly. You’ll have opportunities to explore new airports and locations as a volunteer pilot.

To qualify as a volunteer, you must have access to aircraft as an owner or a rent and current liability insurance. You must have a current pilot certificate, medical, and at least 250 hours PIC.

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Volunteer Pilot Requirements

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MINIMUM PIC REQUIREMENTS
Volunteer pilots with Angel Fight West must have access to aircraft as an owner or renter. Minimum Pilot-in-Command (PIT) time is 250 hours. VFR-only will be accepted (daytime only).

TRAINING REQUIREMENTS
Must have received a flight review per FAR 61.56 within the last 24 months; or an insurance-approved recurrent training course at an approved facility; or a Part 121 or 135 line check, instrument proficiency check, or PIC check within the last 12 months; or successful completion of one Phase of the FAA Wings program within the preceding 12 months as of the date of the orientation.

MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS
Pilot applicants must hold at least medical requirements as per FAR 61.53 (including BasicMed) current medical certificate.

AIRCRAFT REQUIREMENTS
At this time, it is not permissible to use experimental or non-certified aircraft for passenger missions. Experimental aircraft may, however, be used for missions transporting blood or for any non-passenger missions.

FAR REQUIREMENTS
Must affirm at the orientation (and annually thereafter) that they will adhere to all FARs, and that they have (or will have) the certificate, rating (and type, if required) for the aircraft to be flown when acting as PIC on an AFW mission. This affirmation also includes having insurance in force and compliance with drug and alcohol provisions of the FARs.

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS
Must supply a copy of the Certificate of Insurance, applicable to the aircraft that will be used for AFW missions, providing at least $500,000 liability coverage with a minimum per-seat coverage of $100,000.