

**Partnership Proposal Between the  
Boys & Girls Club of North Lake Tahoe  
and the  
Truckee Tahoe Airport District**

***“Where GREAT FUTURES Take Flight”***

For over a decade, the Boys & Girls Club of North Lake Tahoe (BGCNLT) and the Truckee Tahoe Airport District (TTAD) have shared a common commitment to providing youth and families in the Tahoe Truckee region with access to STEAM education and experiences as well as providing the community with unmatched resources. The strategic partnership between the two organizations has amplified each other’s impact—expanding STEM and aviation opportunities for young people while helping elevate the Airport District’s ongoing community-focused work.

**About BGCNLT**

BGCNLT continues to be a regional leader in youth development and a hub for family engagement. Four sites across the region operate year-round out-of-school time programs for over 1,700 children aged 2-18. Currently, over 400 members attend programming each day at one of four sites in the region. Club members can attend programs at:

- The Kings Beach Clubhouse
- The Duffield Youth Program in Incline Village
- A school-based site at Truckee Elementary School
- A middle school-based site at Alder Creek Middle School

Programming is developed to be age appropriate, engaging, enriching, and fun! Our programs aim to support working families so that when their children are out of school, they have a positive and safe place to learn, grow, and thrive. Programs are divided into the following categories: Education & Career Development; Health & Life Skills; Sports & Recreation; The Arts; Character & Leadership Development, and S.T.E.A.M (science, technology, engineering, aviation, and science).

Specialty programs in Theater, Mountain Sports and Sports Leagues are also available to Club members across the region and offer participants an opportunity to hone skills in a particular area or spark an interest in a new one.

Family engagement nights are also an important part of programming—providing youth and families with opportunities to network in a safe, fun, and welcoming environment. Monthly events take place at the Clubhouse in Kings Beach and can also offer agencies and organizations opportunities to share resources or ideas with the community.

### **TTAD STEAM Funded Programs at BGCNLT**

During the school year, a STEAM Coordinator at the Truckee Elementary School site and at the Kings Beach Clubhouse provides daily activities and programming that inspires and encourages Club members to engage in science, technology, engineering, aviation, and math. BGCNLT STEAM Coordinators also assist with in-school TTUSD presentations on behalf of TTAD and have assisted with various field trips and programs such as the Challenger Field Trip. These full time coordinators plan, execute and evaluate all STEAM programming and do outreach activities on behalf of TTAD when needed.

During the summer months, STEAM themed weeks and specialty camps are offered to youth and teens to deepen their understanding and experience in those areas. In total during the summer of 2025, over 390 children participated in summer camps in Truckee and an additional 470 in Kings Beach. These participants have daily STEAM rotations and projects as a part of their day.

For those participants that want to spend more time focused on a particular topic, BGCNLT offers specialty STEAM camps as well. Over 100 participants in Truckee and in Kings Beach engaged in specialty Lego Robotics camps, Aviation Camps, and Creator Camps during the summer of 2025.

### **Continued Partnership between TTAD and BGCNLT**

In partnership with TTAD, BGCNLT will continue to create meaningful, hands-on learning experiences that introduce local youth to aviation, engineering, and STEM pathways while highlighting the Airport District's contributions to safety, sustainability, and community enrichment. This partnership can:

- Inspire young people to explore STEM and aviation-related career fields.
- Strengthen the connection between the Airport District and the families it serves.
- Provide equitable access to high-quality after-school and summer programming.
- Celebrate TTAD's role as a responsible community partner and resource.

#### **Program Components**

##### **1. Enhanced STEAM curriculum at BGCNLT provided by two full-time STEAM Coordinators.**

BGCNLT will continue to integrate aviation-focused and STEM-based learning modules into its existing youth development programs. These offerings may include:

- **Daily School Year STEAM exploration at the Kings Beach and Truckee sites:** Hands-on lessons in all things STEAM, coding, engineering challenges etc.
- **STEAM and Aviation Specific Summer Camps:** Both sites will offer at least two full week long sessions that focus on STEAM and/or Aviation

- **Career Exploration Sessions:** Guest speakers from TTAD and other local agencies, pilot meet-and-greets, and exposure to aviation careers across operations, engineering, safety, environmental work, and technology.
- **Summer Aviation Week:** A dedicated themed week hosted at the Club or in partnership with TTAD featuring field trips, challenges, and project-based learning across the region.
- **Classroom Presentations in TTUSD:** BGCNLT Coordinators can support in-classroom presentations on behalf of TTAD in support of aviation specific programming. In the past, this has included the Challenger Mission to Mars program and field trips to the UNR Planetarium.

These programs help local youth develop critical thinking, curiosity, leadership skills, and a sense of belonging within the broader aviation and STEM community.

## 2. On-Site Learning Experiences at the Truckee Tahoe Airport

To bring concepts to life, the partnership will include opportunities for Club members to visit TTAD facilities and engage directly with working aviation professionals.

- **Guided Airport Tours** showcasing operations, safety equipment, air traffic practices, and environmentally mindful airport initiatives. These will only be scheduled in times when airport staff are available, and it is not a hinderance to operations.
- **Interactive Demonstrations/ STEAM facility support** – BGCNLT could potentially help staff and program the new proposed facility on site.

Through these experiences, youth and families will gain a deeper understanding of the Airport District’s mission, values, and community impact.

## 3. Community Engagement & Outreach

BGCNLT will support TTAD in raising awareness of its community-centered initiatives by:

- Incorporating TTAD branding and program highlights into Club newsletters, family communications, and community events.
- Sharing stories of aviation and STEM program success across digital platforms and social media.
- Recognizing TTAD as a key partner in STEM enrichment through signage, event promotion, and co-branded materials.
- Representing TTAD and BGCNLT at community events and in school presentations as needed

These efforts ensure families and community members understand the Airport District’s ongoing commitment to education, economic opportunity, and community well-being.

# Benefits to the Truckee Tahoe Airport District

By continuing to partner with BGCNLT, TTAD will:

- **Expand its reach** to hundreds of local youth and families annually.
- **Demonstrate regional leadership** in supporting STEM education and workforce development.
- **Strengthen community relationships** by engaging directly with youth and parents in meaningful, positive ways.
- **Showcase its stewardship** in environmental responsibility, safety, and community investment.
- **Increase visibility** for TTAD programs and initiatives across trusted community channels.

This partnership positions the Airport District as an active, accessible, and youth-friendly institution integral to the future of the region.

## Support from TTAD

To continue to implement this high-impact initiative, BGCNLT respectfully requests TTAD's support in the form of a Contract for Service that provides:

- **Program Funding** to support two full-time STEAM coordinators that are based out of the Kings Beach and Truckee Elementary School sites. BGCNLT proposes a three year contract with a first year payment of \$94,994 (where the last contract left off). The second- and third-year invoices would include a "Month of May" CPI adjustment figure based on the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Price Index, All Urban Consumers, Western B/C (cities of 50,000 to 330,000 population) data for that year.
- **Access to Airport Facilities and Personnel** (when available) for tours, demonstrations, and career exploration experiences. This will only be upon mutual agreement of times and availability.
- **Collaborative Planning** around community events and outreach efforts

BGCNLT will manage program delivery, staffing, scheduling, curriculum creation, communication, and ongoing evaluation of all programs, activities and events.

## Evaluation & Impact Measurement

The partnership's outcomes will be tracked using:

- Youth participation numbers and demographics
- Pre- and post-program surveys assessing STEM interest, confidence, and knowledge
- Documentation of community engagement and outreach reach
- Annual impact summaries shared with TTAD leadership

This data-driven approach ensures continuous improvement and demonstrates the value of TTAD's investment.

This partnership represents a powerful opportunity to invest in the next generation of Tahoe–Truckee leaders. Together, the Boys & Girls Club of North Lake Tahoe and the Tahoe Truckee Airport District can spark curiosity, broaden horizons, and build meaningful pathways for youth while strengthening community connections and celebrating the great work TTAD provides.