



AIRPORT MANAGER'S REPORT

Airport Commission

April 9, 2026

BACKGROUND

This Report is provided to inform the Airport Commission about operations, City Council actions, events, meetings and other issues concerning the Riverside Airport.

This update includes information about Airport operations, financials, activities, events, and investment in infrastructure.



OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY



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Aircraft Operations			
Prior Year Quarter Versus Current Year Quarter	Jan-Feb 2025	Jan-Feb 2026	To Date
	18,701	20,918	+11.8%
Prior Year Month Versus Current Year Month	February 2025	February 2026	
	11,259	10,248	-8.9%

#1 in California for aircraft operations (contract tower) for 2025.

#120 in US out of 532 towered airports

132k + operations in 2025

Aviation hub: 6 flight schools, 200 + aircraft, backup power.

Note: FAA aircraft operations statistics are reported on a calendar year basis.

Average 366 operations daily in February 2026.



FINANCIAL ACTIVITY



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July 1, 2025-February 28, 2026			
	Operating Budget	Actual	% to Budget
Expenditures ⁽¹⁾	\$2,272,319.32	\$1,095,082.11	48.2% ³
Revenue ⁽²⁾	\$2,274,000.00	\$1,739,257.10	76.5%

18.47%
below

9.83%
above

Notes:

¹ Including adjustments and encumbrances

² Preliminary figures as of 2/28/26

³ 66.67% complete with FY. If on budget, actual amounts should be 66.67% to budget.



HIGHLIGHTS



AEROSPACE EXPO – APRIL 11



CITY OF RIVERSIDE

ANNUAL AEROSPACE COMMUNITY EXPO

SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2026
9 AM - 12 PM
RIVERSIDE AIRPORT • 6936 FLIGHT RD.

Don't miss this hands-on community experience showcasing the innovation shaping Riverside. Explore aircraft, interactive exhibits, and cutting-edge technology while connecting with leaders in aviation, aerospace, and defense. Whether you're curious about the roles and work that drive the industry, exploring academic pathways, or thinking about your future career, this is your chance to discover what's possible.

Explore Career Paths	Meet Riverside's Aerospace Companies	Visit Interactive Exhibits	Connect with Education Partners	Learn How to Become a Pilot
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 <p>Young Eagles Free Flights Registration Opens Wed., April 1, 2026</p> <p>Pre-Registration Required Limited Spots First Come, First Serve</p>	 <p>See Aircrafts Up-Close</p>	 <p>Fly a Plane on an Interactive Simulator</p>	 <p>D-Day Doll Flights Flights Start at \$199</p>
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RiversideCA.gov / AerospaceExpo

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ROOFING PROJECT



CITY COUNCIL

Recent City Council Actions:

- Authorize Supplemental Agreements related to Master Agreement with Mead and Hunt, Inc., for increased amount not-to-exceed \$1,000,000 per firm consisting of on call design, engineering and construction management services associated with miscellaneous Airport Capital Improvement Projects, and other projects included in Airport Master Plan with subsequent reports back to the City Council from time to time on addition or deletion of new panel members (Ward 3).



CITY COUNCIL

Recent City Council Actions:

- Second Amendment to Lease Agreement with Commemorative Air Force, a Texas Nonprofit Corporation, for estimated revenue of \$60,402 for approximately 18,995 square feet of hangar/office building at Riverside Airport through December 31, 2030 - 6936 Flight Road (Ward 3)

CITY COUNCIL

Upcoming City Council Actions:

- Long-term 5-year agreement CAVU
- Long-term 10-year agreement Waypoint Aviation
- Introduce an Ordinance amending Chapter 12.04 of the Riverside Municipal Code regarding Airport Regulations and Amending Section 12.14.025 regarding incursions into Aircraft Movement Areas.



RECOMMENDATION

- That the Airport Commission receive this April 2026 Report.