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- The Boeing Aerospace Adventure introduces San Antonio-area students to the wonder of flight

- Games, simulator flights and education challenges help students learn about careers in aerospace

**SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 12, 2023** — Boeing [NYSE: BA] has launched a new interactive experience highlighting the excitement and wonder of science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) disciplines. The Boeing Aerospace Adventure at the San Antonio Museum of Science and Technology (SAMSAT) offers students of all ages a place where they can learn more about STEM and careers in aerospace.

The 2,400-square-foot exhibit invites participants to design, build, modernize and take flight with hands-on activities and games that showcase the limitless possibilities of aerospace. Learners of all ages are invited to "Become the next Boeing Aerospace Adventurer" as they explore Boeing aircraft such as the <u>C-17 Globemaster</u>, <u>Starliner</u> space capsule and the Boeing <u>ecoDemonstrator</u>.

"This exhibit showcases the exciting world of aerospace while also emphasizing the critical need for a future talented and skilled workforce," said Kim Smith, vice president of Global Operations, Quality and Program Management for Boeing Global Services. "By investing in students and collaborating with the museum and educators, we are building a strong talent pipeline that will shape the future of aerospace."

The exhibit is a gateway that opens young people's eyes to a world of opportunities, said Jim Perschbach, president and CEO, Port San Antonio.

"The resources and time spent creating this experience, along with the ongoing collaboration between educators and teammates including Boeing and the museum, are true investments in people," Perschbach said. "This is also an opportunity to raise San Antonio's tech innovation profile even higher."

The San Antonio Museum of Science and Technology (SAMSAT) expects to engage an estimated 150,000 students annually through field trips, weekend activities and summer camps. Other aviation and space technology experiences at the Port campus, such as exhibits on autonomous vehicle technologies, lunar settlement systems, cybersecurity, and simulated security operations centers complement the Boeing display.

Boeing, through donations to the Port-affiliated Kelly Heritage Foundation, has funded a range of grants this year to support aerospace education and workforce development in south Texas. These grants include space, computer and drone/aerospace education, offering unique opportunities for students to explore and engage with the world of aerospace. The Kelly Heritage Foundation receives net proceeds from the Boeing Center at Tech Port to fund additional educational and workforce development programs in aerospace and advanced technologies.

Nearly 7,000 Boeing teammates work to protect, connect and explore our world and beyond in Texas. With key locations in Plano, Dallas and Irving, the most sizeable Boeing footprint is in San Antonio, where Boeing is the largest aerospace employer in the area. This historic city is home to more than 3,000 teammates, nearly half of whom are veterans of the armed forces. In addition to providing aircraft maintenance and modification for some of our most iconic products, including the C-17, F-15 and B-52, Boeing also provides service to the U.S. Executive Fleet.

Admission to the Boeing Aerospace Adventure and SAMSAT is free of charge. Regular hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. from Monday to Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. on Sundays. The museum will be closed on Christmas Day (Dec. 25) and New Year's Day (Jan. 1).

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## About Port San Antonio:

The Port is a vast 1,900-acre technology innovation campus. It is home to a large array of employers—including globally renowned industry names and a growing number of locally headquartered startups—focused in driving forward new technologies in aerospace, cybersecurity, defense, space exploration, robotics and other advanced

fields. Organizations at the Port directly employ 18,000 people from across the community, yielding a regional economic impact of over \$5.6 billion annually. The Port is also a member of the Association of University Research Parks (AURP).

In the heart of the Port's campus is the Boeing Center at Tech Port—an expansive state-of-the-art, multi-use facility. The Boeing Center at Tech Port is home to the San Antonio Museum of Science and Technology's (SAMSAT) as well as an innovation hub, food court, concert arena and e-gaming facility.

The Port also houses the Kelly Heritage Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that honors Kelly Air Force Base's legacy and the future of the campus that encompasses much of the former military facility—today known as Tech Port—by raising and distributing funds to support life-changing educational and career opportunities.

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