

CONTACT: Nicole Hall | O: 619.400.2859 | M: 858.531.2863 | E: nhall@san.org

San Diego International Airport Launches SAN Pass

Non-ticketed visitors can now experience Terminal 1 and 2 beyond security

SAN DIEGO, CA — November 18, 2025 - The San Diego County Regional Airport Authority (Airport Authority) is introducing **SAN Pass**, a new program that allows San Diegans to experience everything San Diego International Airport (SAN) offers in post-security areas without needing a boarding pass or ticket. Whether you're meeting arriving loved ones at the gate, sending off a traveler, or exploring the airport's restaurants, shops, and art, SAN Pass makes it possible.

Visitors can apply for a free pass up to seven days in advance. A limited number of passes are available daily and issued on a first-come, first-served basis, subject to TSA approval.

"If you've ever wanted to see off family or friends at their gate or enjoy the outstanding dining and retail options in Terminal 1 and 2 without flying, this program offers that opportunity," said Kimberly Becker, President and CEO, San Diego County Regional Airport Authority. "We're excited to open the terminal experience to the broader San Diego community in a secure and convenient way."

How It Works

To apply, visitors provide their full legal name, date of birth, and gender (as listed on a TSA-approved photo ID). If approved, visitors will receive their SAN Pass via email as a PDF attachment.

At the Airport

Approved visitors should proceed to the general screening line, presenting both their TSA-approved REAL ID and the digital SAN Pass (printed copies are not accepted). All pass holders must comply with TSA security screening procedures, including restrictions on prohibited items. TSA PreCheck, CLEAR, and other expedited screening programs are not available for SAN Pass holders.

SAN Pass is designed for individuals not traveling by air. Minors require their own pass and must be accompanied by an approved adult SAN Pass holder at all times. One adult may escort up to three minors.

For more information or to apply for a SAN Pass, visit <https://www.san.org/relax-before-you-fly/san-pass-program/>.

ABOUT SAN DIEGO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (SAN)

Owned and operated by San Diego County Regional Airport Authority (Airport Authority), San Diego International Airport (SAN) is one of the busiest single-runway commercial service airports in the world and the third-busiest airport in California. SAN serves 11 nonstop international routes to Europe, South America and Asia, and contributes nearly \$12 billion in economic activity for the San Diego region. In September 2025, the Airport Authority opened the first phase of the new Terminal 1, a larger and more efficient facility that has greatly enhanced the customer experience at SAN. Once the New T1 project is complete in 2028, it will feature a total of 30 gates and will have generated more than

\$4.5 billion for San Diego's economy and created more than 25,000 jobs, paying a total of \$2 billion in wages to local workers. For more information about SAN, please visit san.org.

###