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San Diego International Airport Receives \$15.3 Million Federal Airport Improvement Grant for Quieter Home Project

Funding Provides Sound Insulation for Approximately 400 Eligible Residences

SAN DIEGO, CA — September 1, 2026— The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has awarded the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority's (Airport Authority) Quieter Home Program \$15.3 million to provide aircraft sound insulation measures for approximately 400 eligible residences. The funding comes through the FAA's [Airport Improvement Program](#) (AIP) which invests in airport infrastructure projects. The grant allocated to San Diego International Airport (SAN) is one of 232 awarded to U.S. airports through the AIP grant to bolster aviation infrastructure.

"We are grateful to receive this funding for our Quieter Home Program," **said Atif Saeed**, President and CEO, San Diego County Regional Airport Authority. "We appreciate the unwavering support from Senators Alex Padilla and Adam Schiff, Congressman Scott Peters, and the entire San Diego Congressional delegation. This funding will help us work with our neighboring communities and provide sound insulation treatment to reduce noise inside eligible homes located around the airport."

"San Diego International Airport is a vital economic engine for the region, and the communities surrounding it should not have to choose between a thriving airport and a good quality of life," **said Senator Alex Padilla**. "That's why I'm proud to have helped secure this \$15.3 million federal investment to make homes quieter for hundreds of San Diego families. This funding will help ensure that families living near the airport can enjoy greater peace and quiet in their own homes while San Diego airport continues to grow and thrive."

"I am proud to help deliver federal funding that will reduce airport noise for surrounding communities around San Diego International Airport," **said Senator Adam Schiff**. "Investments like this are critical for California's airports, and I look forward to working with my colleagues to continue delivering funds for airport safety projects and infrastructure upgrades across California."

"One of my most important jobs in Congress is to bring home resources to solve problems," **said Congressman Scott Peters** (CA-50). "This funding is great news for an additional 400 households near the airport. San Diegans who live in Point Loma, Little Italy, and nearby neighborhoods will soon enjoy quieter, more peaceful homes and improved ventilation to support a healthier environment. I'm always grateful to work with the San Diego Airport Authority to strengthen our region for both residents and tourists."

Communities with homes eligible for the Quieter Home Program sound insulation treatment are determined by the FAA. These residences are located within the FAA's 65 decibels levels or greater contour map area around San Diego International Airport (SDIA) and have average interior noise levels of 45 decibels or greater with windows closed.

Communities in San Diego with eligible residences around the airport include Loma Portal, Ocean Beach, Bankers Hill, Middletown, Golden Hill, and South Park.

Per the FAA's goal of reducing aircraft noise inside eligible homes by five decibels, the Quieter Home Program works with residents through a multi-step process to evaluate retrofitting measures and install sound attenuated products. These homes may be retrofitted with noise-mitigating exterior doors and windows, ventilation systems such as air conditioning units, and other items including weather stripping and caulking around openings to reduce noise levels. Sound insulation treatments available to each home vary.

The Quieter Home Program has been retrofitting eligible homes since 2001. To date, the Airport Authority's Quieter Home Program has completed retrofitting 6,238 homes.

For more information about the Quieter Home Program or eligibility, please call 619-400-2660 or submit an email inquiry at quieterhome@san.org. For more information about the San Diego International Airport, [click here](#).

ABOUT SAN DIEGO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (SAN)

Owned and operated by the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority, San Diego International Airport (SAN) is one of the region's most important civic assets, serving more than 25 million passengers each year as the community's gateway to the world and contributing nearly \$12 billion annually to the local economy. Conveniently located minutes from Downtown San Diego, SAN is the busiest single-runway airport in North America and the third-largest airport in California, with service to nearly 90 destinations around the globe, including 11 nonstops to Europe, Latin America, Canada, and Asia. In 2025, the Authority opened the first phase of the new Terminal 1, a more efficient facility recently recognized as one of the most beautiful airport terminals in the world. When the new Terminal 1 is fully completed in 2028, it 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. The Authority's continued investment in the airport experience strengthens San Diego's global competitiveness while delivering lasting value for the community.

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