

El Paso International Airport

The El Paso International Airport maintains its mission to provide the best air transportation services and facilities for the City of El Paso and surrounding region by aggressively focusing on four major priorities: Safety and security, Customer satisfaction and convenience, Fiscal responsibility and Regional economic development.

The Airport provides direct service to the nation's nine largest hubs and offers El Pasoans multiple convenient, cost-effective services to all of North America, Europe and Asia. The Airport offers over 7,500 seats on 63 daily flights to 15 different non-stop destinations, linking El Paso to the nation and to the world.



Highlights in FY 06

- In 2006, J.D. Power and Associates published their 2005 North American Airport Satisfaction Survey, and El Paso International Airport was ranked among the top ten airports in the nation
- The total reconstruction of Runway 8R-26L commenced, with an estimated completion date of August 2007

- The construction of the 18-hole Butterfield Trail Golf Course, and associated clubhouse & roadway, is scheduled to be completed Spring 2007. The Butterfield Trail Golf Course, designed by world-renowned golf course architect Tom Fazio, marks another milestone towards the development of El Paso's first resort hotel



Sun Metro

One of the largest City departments, Sun Metro is the mass transit provider in El Paso with over 600 employees, an annual budget of \$45.5 million and assets valued at \$55 million. The Sun Metro system links the people from two countries and three states, offering Fixed Route, Paratransit and Job Express bus transportation. Service extends across the El Paso City limits, portions of El Paso County and the city of Sunland Park, New Mexico. Funding to operate Sun Metro is secured through grants, fares, innovative resource development and 0.5% of the City Sales Tax. Sun Metro prides itself on providing affordable transportation while working diligently to protect the region's natural environment, improving air quality and promoting community and quality of life for all people along the border.

Highlights in FY 06

- Secured \$13,177,405 in funding from the Federal Transit Administration and \$13,215,920 from the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Grant
- Purchased thirty-five new 40-foot low floor compressed natural gas (CNG) buses for \$14 million with delivery slated for March 2007

- Retrofit and converted twenty-five 1991 diesel buses funded by a State grant
- Provided 12,981,363 passenger rides, an increase of over 12,500 rides monthly over 2005
- Celebrated the 100th Anniversary of Union Passenger Station in March 2006