



SHREVEPORT AIRPORT AUTHORITY  
City of Shreveport



***United Airlines Announces Direct Flights to  
Denver From SHV Beginning August 28th***

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United Airlines will begin direct jet service to Denver, Colorado from Shreveport Regional Airport on Tuesday, August 28, 2012. United Express carrier ExpressJet will operate the non-stop once-daily flight with a 50-seat Embraer regional jet.

“United Airline’s Shreveport to Denver nonstop service provides another option for the customers in the Ark-La-Tex who rely upon Shreveport Regional Airport for both business and leisure travel needs,” said Shreveport Mayor Cedric B. Glover. “We truly appreciate the support that the Airport Authority has had for this service from our many community partners, including Bossier Parish, the Tourism Bureau and many others.”

“We are reinforcing Mayor Cedric Glover’s vision to be the next Great City of the South. The addition of the Denver hub with United Airlines reinforces this vision by providing this new Gateway to unite us to the world,” said Bishop Larry Brandon, Chairman of the Shreveport Airport Authority.

“Denver has been a long-term goal for a hub connection of the Shreveport Airport Authority,” said Bill Cooksey, Interim Director of Airports. “United Airlines has made this goal a reality during the year we celebrate the airport’s 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We now ask the region to support this new service so we can build on it with more flights. We welcome United Airlines to Shreveport with this incredible new option to connecting to the world.”

The flight will leave Denver daily at 10:20am local time and leave Shreveport at 4:20pm. United offers more flights to more destinations worldwide from Denver than any other airline, with nearly 400 peak day departures to 125 destinations throughout the year. United Airlines will begin flying all jet-service from Shreveport on Thursday, June 7<sup>th</sup>.

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Shreveport Regional Airport is the commercial carrier airport in Shreveport and serves residents in Louisiana, Texas and Arkansas. Opened on July 6, 1952, the airport expanded in 1971 to its current building and expanded again in 1999 with an all new central terminal building. Shreveport is served by four airlines: Allegiant with non-stop service to Las Vegas and Orlando, American Airlines with non-stop service to Dallas, Delta Air Lines with non-stop service to Memphis and Atlanta and United Airlines with non-stop service to Houston and Denver. This year marks the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Shreveport Regional Airport connecting passengers to the world.

United Airlines and United Express operate an average of 5,605 flights a day to 375 airports on six continents from their hubs in Chicago, Cleveland, Denver, Guam, Houston, Los Angeles, New York/Newark, San Francisco, Tokyo and Washington, D.C. In 2011, United carried more traffic than any other airline in the world, and operated more than two million flights carrying 142 million passengers. United operates nearly 700 mainline aircraft and has orders for more than 125 new aircraft deliveries from 2012 through 2019, including 50 Boeing 787 Dreamliners and 25 Airbus A350XWBs.