

Learn more
about the
Community
Aviation Center
and our
EAA180
programs

EAA180

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TAFM

teenaircraftfactory.org



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The Experimental Aircraft Association
(EAA) is an international organization
of aviation enthusiasts established in 1953

EAA Chapter 180 of Manasota
is a non-profit
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The Community Aviation Center

Help Build Our Future



Promoting Aviation Education

Since 1962, the EAA Chapter 180 of Manasota has actively participated in the promotion of aviation education, advocacy, and awareness in the Sarasota/Manatee area. Based at Sarasota-Bradenton International Airport (SRQ), we have a strong emphasis on promoting aviation through informational gatherings and talks, liaising with SRQ management, and operating various youth programs including:

Young Eagles

EAA180 has provided over 5,000 local youths ages 8–17 their first free ride and opportunity to co-pilot in an airplane with our EAA member volunteers. It is the only program of its kind, with the sole mission to introduce and inspire kids in the world of aviation.



Teen Build (TAFM)

Our STEM-based Teen Build program (Teen Aircraft Factory of Manasota) pairs local pilots and aviation enthusiasts with students aged 14-17 to build two-seat, light sport airplanes over 18-24 months. Established in 2013, we have already successfully constructed five FAA-approved aircraft and continue onward with our next three airplanes as youth involvement grows.

Our Vision

For years, we have borrowed and leased meeting space and hangars from local businesses and patrons in order to operate. As we expand, and costs increase, these options have become limited.

Our vision is to build a **Community Aviation Center** on the one-acre site of SRQ's old Air Traffic Control tower.

This two-phase project includes a:

- 1) 60' x 100' hangar, where we can manage our Young Eagles and Teen Build programs, and
- 2) 40' x 100' administration building containing offices, meeting facilities, and aviation labs to be made available to local aviation-based organizations.



Aviation Partners

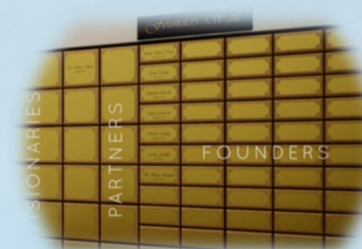
The Community Aviation Center will be available to not only EAA180, but also to other local aviation-based organizations and programs such as:

- SRQ Civil Air Patrol
- Local Ninety-Nines Chapter
- Team Success Charter School
- Manatee Technical College

We Need Your Help!

Your **tax-deductible** donation will help EAA180 realize the dream of having a permanent home at SRQ Airport.

Funds will be used for the construction and building components, as well as internal furnishings and equipment, such as flight simulators and computer stations.



Your name can be immortalized on the planned EAA180 Founders Wall

Flight Levels of Giving

Platinum	\$50,000+
Gold	\$10,000 to \$49,999
Silver	\$5,000 to \$9,999
Bronze	\$1,000 to \$4,999

Walkway Engraved Brick: \$300

Donations

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