



NATA's "FBOs: Above and Beyond" initiative highlights the extraordinary services provided by our Fixed Base Operator (FBO) members. The association's goal is to provide a well-rounded perspective on the FBO industry, directly from those with first-hand experience.



Banyan Air Service based at Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport is consistently voted a top national FBO and has earned the recognition of the #1 FBO in the Southeast United States by Fltplan.com Pilots' Choice Awards for over 10 consecutive years. This recognition comes from providing excellent aviation services. However, that is only part of the story. Don Campion, Banyan's President says, "At Banyan we strive to be more than just another aviation company, not only by what we provide our customers, but also by what we give back."

This is such a part of Banyan's culture that you can read it in their guiding principles, "We contribute to the communities we serve."

Several years ago, Banyan's spirit committee selected 4KIDS of South Florida as their corporate charity and continually supports their efforts with toy drives, special events, rebuilding homes and financial donations.

In addition, Banyan has led the way in partnering with organizations, teammates, customers, and individuals in the rebuilding, re-equipping, and re-staffing of Egbe Hospital in Nigeria.

Banyan also contributes to numerous charity and corporate events, such as:

- Challenge Air – this is an annual event to provide flights for disabled youths and their families.
- Ageless Aviation Dreams Foundation providing dream flights for military veterans and senior citizens
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes Adopt a School Tailgate Party fundraiser
- Hosted the fundraiser for BSO Fallen Heroes fundraiser
- Taylor's Closet fundraiser
- Hosted Wheels Up/Miami Dolphins event
- Hosted Southcoast Church Volunteer Banquet
- Breast Cancer Donations from special sales at the pilot shop
- Hurricane Irma Volunteer Flights



- Christmas toy drive for Puerto Rico orphans
- Aviation Career Day
- Collins Foundation WWII Bombers
- IA Renewal Event
- Provide tours for school groups and other organizations

Banyan Air Service is truly a company that believes in giving back and goes above and beyond to make a difference in the communities it serves. – submitted by Banyan Air Service

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