



SOUTHWEST AIRLINES ANNOUNCES NEW SERVICE TO ST. LOUIS

First time San Antonio has non-stop service since 2010

January 23, 2012—San Antonio, TX-- Southwest Airlines announces additions to its fall schedule, which includes two new daily non-stop flights to St. Louis beginning August 12, 2012. Currently, San Antonio does not have non-stop service to St. Louis, this is the first time in two years that San Antonio has had service to “The Gateway to The West.”

“This is great news for San Antonio because it expands Southwest Airlines’ growing presence here and increases the non-stop options for business and leisure travelers which are vital to the local economy,” said San Antonio Mayor Julián Castro. “Southwest Airlines has clearly identified San Antonio an important market, and we are committed to continuing to work with them on future expansion.”

This is the second announcement Southwest has made in recent months in adding new service to San Antonio. In November, Southwest Airlines announced they would be starting their first international flights from San Antonio to Mexico City and Cancun on AirTran, a wholly owned subsidiary of Southwest Airlines.

“With these announcements, along with several announcements by Mexican based airlines has made San Antonio a virtual gateway to Mexico for south-central Texas,” said Frank R. Miller, Aviation Director for the City of San Antonio. “This region of Texas now has more options for travel not just around the US, but also to Mexico City, Toluca, Guadalajara, Cancun and Monterrey.”

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