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**REDBIRD FLIGHT SIMULATIONS MAKES ITS DEBUT AT HAI HELI-EXPO**

***The VTO full motion helicopter simulator will be on display at Booth 2804 in the exhibit hall.***

Austin, TX (March 7, 2017) -Redbird Flight Simulations, well known for ground breaking and cost effective fixed wing simulators, will make their debut in the HAI Heli-Expo exhibit hall this year. Redbird will be showing off what they believe is easily the most capable and affordable helicopter training device of its kind – the Redbird VTO full motion helicopter simulator.

The VTO was specifically designed to teach the two most difficult and time consuming maneuvers - hovering and auto-rotation. The simulator moves along arc-shaped tracks to provide the feeling of being suspended from the rotor head. The innovative motion system provides cues so small, precise, and quick that the pilot feels the slightest deviations before even seeing it in the visuals. It is clean and quiet enough to operate in a small classroom, but robust enough to stand up to years of hard use. With a base price of \$149,800, it is a device that is affordable for flight organizations of any size.

Just like Redbird's airplane training devices, the VTO can be adapted to emulate multiple makes and models to fit your fleet. An interchangeable cyclic allows you to switch between a standard, dual stick configuration and a Robinson-like single control column. Plus, you have the option to choose an avionics configuration for the center pedestal.

If there is an area where simulators can make a huge impact on the cost and efficiency of flight training, it is certainly in helicopters. Redbird Flight Simulations is excited to show the helicopter industry this powerful training tool and invites Heli-Expo attendees to come take flight in the VTO at Booth 2804.

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**About Redbird Flight Simulations, Inc.**

Redbird Flight Simulations of Austin, TX was established in 2006 with the specific purpose of making aviation more accessible by using modern technology and careful engineering. Since its inception, Redbird has delivered innovative, reliable, and high-quality training devices to flight schools, colleges, universities, and individual pilots around the world. With more than 1,500 devices in service worldwide, Redbird has quickly become the fastest growing and most innovative simulator provider in the industry. For more information, please visit [www.redbirdflight.com](http://www.redbirdflight.com).