For over 50 years, Boeing has partnered with Kuwait, providing aircraft and services to meet its commercial and military needs. The partnership began in 1968 when Kuwait Airways Company took delivery of three 707 airliners. The airline has since operated almost every type of Boeing commercial airplane produced. Boeing’s relationship with the Kuwaiti Air Force started in 1974, with an order of 36 A-4KU Skyhawks.

Boeing is a proud contributor to Kuwait’s Vision 2035 through numerous investments in the community and the aviation sector. Boeing and Kuwait Airways are working together to establish a pilot training program that will include outreach initiatives to inspire young Kuwaitis to pursue aviation careers.

**INVESTMENTS**

Boeing investments in Kuwait have helped grow the local aerospace sector, creating jobs and driving innovation for mutual benefit.

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

Boeing is focused on developing 21st-century skills, such as employability, entrepreneurship, women empowerment and STEM.

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**BOEING IN KUWAIT**

**Boeing Commercial Airplanes**
Boeing’s history in Kuwait began in 1968 when the Kuwait Airways Company took delivery of three 707 airliners. Since then, the airline has operated almost every type of Boeing-produced commercial airplane, providing Kuwaiti citizens with access to North America, Europe, Asia, and India.

In 2014, Kuwait Airways ordered 10 777-300ERs (Extended Range), the first of which was delivered in 2016. The 10th aircraft, featuring four seating classes, was delivered in 2017.

Aviation Lease and Finance Company KSCC (ALAFCO) is a global Sharia-compliant commercial airplane leasing company, owned by Kuwait Finance House and Kuwait Airways. It has ordered, but not yet received, 40 Boeing 737 MAXs.

**Boeing Defense, Space & Security**
Boeing’s defense presence in Kuwait can be traced back to 1974, when the Kuwaiti Air Force (KAF) ordered 36 A-4KH Skyhawks from Boeing heritage company McDonnell Douglas. Defense, Space & Security products provided to Kuwait include C-17 Globemaster IIIIs, F/A-18D Hornets, AH-64D Apaches, F/A-18E/F weapons tactics trainers and Harpoon Block IC missiles, as well as 28 F/A-18E/F Super Hornet aircraft on order.

In 2002, Kuwait and the U.S. signed an agreement for 18 AH-64D Apache helicopters and support services including spares, repairs and technical support, along with a highly skilled Maintenance Augmentation team and Sustainment Data System to train the Kuwaiti military to support its Apache fleet. All aircraft were delivered, starting in 2007. KAF also operates two C-17 Globemaster III airlifters, delivered in 2014.

On March 30, 2018, the government of Kuwait finalized a deal with the U.S. Government for 28 Super Hornet aircraft. The contract includes engineering services, radar warning receivers and aircraft armament equipment for the production and delivery of 22 F/A-18E single-seat and six F/A-18F two-seat Super Hornet aircraft. KAF was delivered the final Kuwaiti fighter to the U.S. Navy in 2021. Aircraft are planned to be ferried to Kuwait in 2023.

The U.S Government provided a Letter of Offer & Acceptance in 2021 for 8 new build AH-64E helicopters and the remanufacture of the current fleet of 16 Apache helicopters to the latest AH-64E configuration.

Boeing maintains a presence in Kuwait, with Global Marketing personnel, Apache support personnel, F/A-18 instructor pilots and C-17 field service engineers.

**FLEET AND SERVICES**

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**Boeing Global Services**
Global Services currently provides sustainment support for Kuwait’s AH-64D Apache helicopters and will provide sustainment solutions for 28 F/A-18 Super Hornets in 2023.

Boeing F/A-18 instructor pilots are in Kuwait to train the KAF, classic Hornet pilots, and further training is scheduled to take place in the U.S. in 2023.

KAF and the Ministry of Defense have also partnered with Boeing as a subcontractor to offer electronic maintenance and logistics support services (GOLDesp). Global Services also provides all maintenance and support— including field services engineers—for Kuwait’s two C-17 Globemaster III airlifters.

**Industrial and Academic Partnerships**
In Kuwait, Boeing funded a project involving advanced technology transfer and the provision of specialized aviation and engineering equipment to the Australian College of Kuwait, in support of its aviation maintenance and electromechanical engineering programs.

**Boeing Global Engagement**
In 2010, Boeing collaborated with Action Care on a program that delivered new methodologies to assist parents, teachers and caregivers in becoming proficient teachers and innovators to maximize a child’s potential and development before the years of formal education begin.

In 2011, Boeing brought the NASA Teacher Training by Arab Youth Venture Foundation program to Kuwait. A NASA educator trained 75 teachers on how to make math and science more interesting to students.

In 2013, Boeing supported Injaz Kuwait in creating Start Up, an entrepreneurship program to help students with viable business ideas receive guidance and seed money to start businesses. As of 2019, the program has reached 5,686 students, from 35 schools and seven universities.

Since 2016, Boeing has supported Kuwait University’s annual engineering design projects and exhibition to help strengthen STEM education for Kuwait’s future generation.

In 2022, Boeing launched the career empowerment program, in collaboration with Amideast Kuwait and the Public Authority for Applied Education and Training (PAAE&T). The program focuses on providing Kuwaitis with the training necessary to positively impact their local communities. Boeing also collaborated with Amideast Kuwait to launch the STEM for Kids Program to provide young learners in Kuwait with fun, engaging science workshops.

**A HISTORY OF PARTNERSHIP**

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