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AMES, Iowa — An Ames pilot plans to break a world record and help two charities in the process.

The project is called Flight for a Cause. David Benna said he will take off from the Ames airport on Aug. 4 at 4 p.m.

Benna hopes to fly into as many airports as he can in a 24-hour period.

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"I have a passion for flying and helping people," said Benna. "We're taking donations one to help pay for the airplane and the other is for two foundations: Autism Society and Juvenile Diabetes."

Benna said he will be taking off and landing about every 15 minutes. He said he plans to touchdown in all paved airports in Iowa and one airport in each surrounding state.

You can learn more about Flight for a Cause at <https://www.facebook.com/FlightForACauseII>

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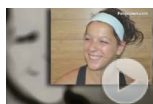
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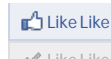
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