

US Airways discounts same-day purchases here significantly

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US Airways Inc. fares from Greater Rochester International Airport to 23 U.S. cities have been lowered by as much as 67 percent for walk-up sales, with members of the Rochester Business Alliance Inc. among the beneficiaries, officials announced Wednesday.

“As the regional chamber of commerce, we know that reducing the costs of doing business helps companies be more competitive in the global marketplace,” RBA President and CEO Sandra Parker said in a statement.

“One of the costs our members often talk about is the expense of airfare to select locations, particularly Washington, D.C. and Philadelphia. On behalf of the business community, we want to thank US Airways for listening to our concerns and taking a significant step in the right direction to reduce those costs.”

Tickets to Washington, D.C. purchased on the day of the flight were reduced by 61 percent as of Friday, officials said, with same-day purchases to Philadelphia were reduced by 51 percent.

Reductions include flights to Florida, Alabama, South Carolina, West Virginia, Ohio and New England airports.

The 67 percent reduction is for flights to Jackson, Miss.

The reductions are temporary, U.S. Rep. Louise Slaughter, D-Perinton, said in the statement. The length of the reductions has not been determined.

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