

Orphan Grain Train †

Relief for Human Need Worldwide

OGT Spotlight Phoenix Branch

Year Established:

March 2021

Branch Manager and background:

David Eide

I have been working at Walgreens as Store Manager for 25 years. I have a beautiful wife, Kristine, married for 27 years. We both grew up in North Dakota and we met in Arizona! We have a very spoiled dog named Schatzie, which in German means, "sweetheart". In our spare time we love spending time with family and friends. Started, OGT in January 2020, it was a long process to find a suitable warehouse. It was a very exciting process to start OGT in Phoenix from the beginning.



Location & Hours of Operation:

*1329 N. 29th Avenue, Suite E15, Phoenix, AZ 85009
2nd and 4th Saturday of the Month, however it does vary depending on Month.*

What intrigued you to volunteer at OGT?

One Sunday in December, Ralph Schmidt came to my church and had a quick talk about OGT. I had never heard of OGT. I thought about it the entire time in church and after church was over. I filled out an information sheet. Ralph called a little later, came to my house and we talked about OGT, and the rest is history.



Challenges you have faced?

Working a full-time job, dealing with COVID, it is a challenge to be at the warehouse on Saturdays. Having great board members, always keeping me in the loop and fantastic volunteers, dedicated and responsible.

Advice for other branches?

Advocacy for those in need is vital for a nonprofit to advance its mission. It is effective in advancing missions, improving lives, and strengthening communities.

Favorite shipments or deliveries?

Phoenix Branch is passionate about developing partnerships with local agencies, who provide assistance to the homeless and working poor. Partnering with La Mesa Ministries & Church on the Street, which we always have volunteers from these two organizations and it is nice to form a bond and work together.



Unique about your branch?

Phoenix is a city that is very spread out and the warehouse is centrally located. We have board members/volunteers that are 45 minutes away on all sides.

On Saturdays, we take a short break for fellowship from 10-10:30, starts with a short prayer, that one of the volunteers will read, followed by any news anyone would like to share.

Also 51% of outgoing donations has to stay in the state of Arizona.

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*Drop Off and Packing & Sorting Hours:
2nd and 4th Saturday of the month, 8-noon*

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