
NEWSLETTER

ORPHAN ASSISTANCE FUND



Welcome

Welcome to Issue No. 02 of the Orphan Assistance Fund Newsletter! In this newsletter, we will be discussing the recent events and activities our organization has hosted and participated in. The Orphan Assistance Fund is a startup 501c3 Non-Profit Organization established in Huntington Beach, California. Our main goal is to organize successful fundraisers and donate the proceeds to orphanages across the globe. To support us, please find the last page of the newsletter.

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The New OAF Year

2022-2023

The OAF calendar system strikes its beginning at the start of September every year, with new opportunities to experience and new possibilities to help the children in your community!

According to Operations Director Julian Lodin, "The new Orphan Assistance Fund year means bigger things for the organization than ever! With clubs from Riverside to San Diego, we are looking forward to all that our members will be able to accomplish!"

Regarding the new year, OAF members can look forward to an array of new opportunities to gain more experience in your own community.

When asked what the new OAF year meant to him, Financial Director Andrew Huynh said, "A new OAF year entails another season of adventure and opportunity to give back to the communities all around me. Whether this would be my local area, or across the world in our annual International Project, I feel invigorated toward a fresh start to create an even bigger impact to children in need."

With a new year for OAF, we hope to grow as an organization and to improve the lives of children worldwide.



Pictured above: (from left to right) OAF Leaders **Julian Lodin**, **Andrew Huynh**, **Dylan Pham**, and **Paul Chau**. Leaders not featured are Paris Vue and Althea Mendoza.

This Year's Merchandise

Ends September 21st

We are proud to announce the new OAF T-Shirt Competition! Winners will be selected by their peers' vote.

The possible designs are to be printed onto the OAF t-shirt or sweatshirt for the members of OAF to purchase and to view on the official OAF Instagram. Merchandise should follow the themes of OAF's ideas and mission, but you are encouraged to take creative liberties.

For the first place winner, or the selected t-shirt, the reward is a *30-dollar gift card* to a local boba shop! For second, the reward is a *20-dollar gift card* to the same boba location, and for third, the reward is a *10-dollar gift card*.

For artistic people and people looking for an opportunity to create, you can submit your shirt designs below:

[Click Here To Submit A Design!](#)



Pictured above: Orphan Assistance Fund Club's t-shirt and sweatshirt design, created by **Ezekiel Tran** of the Irvine High School branch.

Last year's merchandise was designed by Ezekiel Tran from the Irvine High School Branch. His design was worn by students across the state.

Caregiver's Day Off - August

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August's CDO had an Irvine High Orphan Assistance Fund member even held his Eagle Scout Project, a basketball clinic, at the event. The next CDO is on October 15th from 10:00 AM-2:00 PM, giving attendees four service hours. Volunteers should arrive 30 minutes early for instruction. If you'd like to come to the event, contact your school's club's president or email orphanassistancefund@gmail.com.



Secretary Internship Announcement

Application Opens The Week of September 12th

OAF is announcing the approaching graduation of our Secretary, Althea Mendoza. To fill her position, members can find a Google Form sent out by their club leaders this past week to apply to shadow Althea to experience her job and have a chance at being chosen to be the next OAF Secretary come January 2023.

As OAF Secretary, several opportunities are given, including the recognition of local authority figures, community service hours, the ability to meet and work with your community, and, in the case of applicants being an

International Baccalaureate student, it is a creativity, activity, service experience.



Pictured above: OAF Secretary **Althea Mendoza**

According to Mendoza, *all OAF members, with the exception of seniors, are encouraged to apply.* Responsibilities include creating and running service projects, organizing volunteers events, scheduling and recording summaries of Presidents' Meetings, and awarding Presidential Volunteer Service Awards. Secretary trainees will shadow Mendoza and work alongside her to train for the position. This will include working alongside the leadership of OAF.

The time demand of the traineeship will range depending on the time of the year, though will be around 3-7 hours per month of work (3-4 hours a week regarding the actual position of Secretary), and the trainees will help manage volunteer service forms, find volunteer opportunities, attend board and presidents' meetings, taking meeting minutes, managing service hours in preparation for the job. Applicants are expected to be committed to serving the community through OAF opportunities, carry an openness to learn duties of Secretary and communication, and to diligently take notes of meetings and meeting minutes.

To apply, please click to the button here:

[Click Here To Apply!](#)

An Interview With Eagle Scouts

September Newsletter Special Article

Gunnar Hanson

May Caregiver's Day off

- What is your name and what is your affiliation with the Boy Scouts?
 - Hello, I'm Gunnar Hanson, a member of the OAF club at Irvine High School, and Eagle Scout of Troop 695.
- What is your Eagle Scout project and what does it entail?
 - This May, I was able to carry out my Eagle Project through OAF, planning and leading a soccer clinic for the kids at Saint John's Lutheran Church's "Caretaker's Day Off" event. I was able to connect and coordinate with this organization at their monthly event putting in the effort to make these events work and have our club attend and be a part of this wonderful experience.



- How was the experience overall?
 - I really recommend that anyone interested by this join the club, for it will no doubt bring new light to your eyes and change both you and the people around you in positive ways.



Darryl Low

August and September Caregiver's Day off

- How was the experience overall?
 - Overall I had a great experience planning and executing the project plans with the help of... OAF members. I learned new skills like how to keep the kids engaged in the activities and at the same time let them have fun.
- How did you come up with the idea to have a basketball camp at Caregiver's Day Off?
 - I came up with the idea after being inspired by Gunnar's project on soccer and thought to my self why not do a project on basketball since I have some experience in the sport and it is one of my hobbies.
- What basketball activities did you have for the kids?
 - I had them start of with a warmup and then we went into games like lightning before running scrimmages. I also brought otter pops for the kids to encourage them to tryout a new sport and learn something new.
- Who helped you with the basketball camp?
 - I got help from my friends on the basketball team, few scouts on troop 36, and some OAF members.

Humbly and sincerely, thank you from OAF!

The newsletter will be released the third Saturday of each month!

Written and Formatted by Chloe Chang Fong and Claire Song, members of the Irvine High School branch of OAF

What is OAF?

The Orphan Assistance Fund is a student-run startup 501c3 Non-Profit Organization based in Southern California, USA that aims to organize successful fundraisers and donate the proceeds to orphanages across the globe.

Contact us at orphanassistancefund@gmail.com



OAF Main Website

OAF Instagram

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OAF Facebook

Front Page | Andrew Huynh and Julian Lodin

First Page | Special thanks to Ezekiel Tran for shirt design!

Second Page | Several OAF Members photographed; Althea Mendoza

Third Page | Gunnar Hanson and Darryl Low

Special thanks to Mr. Huynh for photography! Special thanks to Paris Vue for editing!



Chloe Chang Fong and Claire Song

Chloe and Claire are a part of the Irvine High School branch of OAF. Claire joined in 2022, whereas Chloe has been a member since 2020. Chloe and Claire have experience within their own schools, helping with the writing of the school newspaper and experience with the creation of a school yearbook.