

## BEAT THE HEAT: OG&E Donates 1,300 Electric Fans to Seniors and Families with Low Income



(Left to Right) OG&E Lineman Kael Guthrie, OG&E Community Affairs Manager Richard Delano, Pauls Valley Senior Center Director Sherri Thomas, OG&E Community Outreach Coordinator John Koons and OG&E Lineman Clint Hawkins pose outside of the Pauls Valley Senior Center before distributing electric fans to local seniors to help them battle the summer heat.

**PAULS VALLEY** – (June 20, 2022) As temperatures continue to rise, OG&E is committed to helping residents safely and comfortably navigate the summer heat. The company recently launched its 16<sup>th</sup> annual fan donation program, delivering electric fans to thousands of seniors and families with low income in communities across western Arkansas and Oklahoma.

During the past few weeks, OG&E volunteers distributed 1,300 fans to customers in communities across the service area. To ensure fans are distributed to members in the community who need them the most, the electric utility company partners with local organizations like senior and community centers and other nonprofits that work directly with those in need.

"Hot summer weather can be dangerous for folks in our community, said John Koons, Community Outreach Coordinator. "By donating fans, we are ensuring that our most vulnerable neighbors stay safe and cool in the heat."

Since the program's inception in 2006, OG&E has provided more than 16,000 fans totaling nearly \$270,000 to thousands of residents in the service area.

"Keeping our seniors safe and comfortable in the heat is of the utmost importance to us, and we are glad it is a priority for OG&E, too," said Sherri Thomas of the Pauls Valley Senior Center.

The fan donation program is just one of the many ways OG&E helps customers find solutions for the summer months. Each summer, OG&E partners with nearly 80 local libraries, senior centers, churches and other locations throughout the service area to open Cool Zones, which provide heat-wary residents a respite during the hottest times of the day. A list of Cool Zones is available at <u>oge.com/coolzones</u>. Customers can also save money on summer bills by enrolling in SmartHours, the Weatherization Program or the Low-Income Assistance Program (LIAP).

To learn more about OG&E and its community stewardship initiatives, visit oge.com/stewardship.

## About OG&E

Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company, a subsidiary of OGE Energy Corp. (NYSE: OGE), is Oklahoma's largest electric utility. For more than a century, we have provided customers in Oklahoma and western Arkansas the safe, reliable electricity needed to power their businesses and homes with the nation's lowest electric rates, according to S&P Global Market Intelligence. Our employees are committed to generating and delivering electricity, protecting the environment, and providing excellent service to nearly 880,000 customers. OG&E has 7,081 MW of electric generation capacity fueled by natural gas, wind, low-sulfur coal, and solar. OG&E employees live, work, and volunteer in the communities we serve. For more information about OG&E, visit us at OGE.com or follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

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