



# Annual General Body Meeting





**Aum Ekandantaya Vidmahe  
Vakratundaya Dhimahi  
Tanno Dantih Prachodayat**

*We pray to the one with the single-tusked elephant tooth who is omnipresent. We meditate upon and pray for greater intellect to the Lord with the curved, elephant-shaped trunk. We bow before the one with the single-tusked elephant tooth to illuminate our minds with wisdom.*

**Aum Saha Na Vavatu Saha Nau Bhunaktu  
Saha Viryam Karavavahai  
Tejasvinavadhitamastu Ma Vidvishavahai  
Aum Shanti Shanti Shantih**

*Aum, May we all be protected; May we all be nourished  
May we work together with great energy; May our intellect be sharpened. Let there be no Animosity amongst us.  
Aum, peace (in me), peace (in nature), peace (in divine forces)*





# Annual General Body Meeting- Agenda

- Welcome address
- Board of Directors 2022-2023
- Religious Highlights
- Finance Summary
- Annadhanam Highlights
- Construction Milestones
- Initiatives in Donor Relations
- Operations Highlights
- Devotee Relations Highlights
- Mahila Committee Highlights
- Hiring
- Board of Directors 2023-2024
- Vote of Thanks



# Board of Directors 2022-2023

President	Raj Sivasankaran
Vice President	Bhaskar Kolluri
Treasurer	Chitra Subramanian
Secretary	Gayathri Krithivas
Jt-Treasurer	Sujatha Sundaram
Jt-Secretary	Balaji Soundararajan
Member Director	Amar Munugala
Member Director	Mohan Gopalakrishnan
Member Director	Madhuraj Ammathur



# Religious Highlights

AGM, April 2023



श्रीमहागणपतयेनम  
श्री गुरुभ्यो नमः

वक्रतुण्ड महाकाय सूर्यकोटि समप्रभ  
निर्विघ्नं कुरु मे देव सर्वकार्येषु सर्वदा

# Religious Updates

*Your home for traditional  
Sanatana Dharma events  
in the valley*

AGM, April 2023



❖ Temple celebrated **27 plus Unique Special Religious Events** from May, 2022 thru mid April 2023.

❖ New Events added in 2022

- ❖ SUDARSANA JAYANTI
- ❖ NAGA PANCHAMI
- ❖ DHANVANTARI JAYANTI

❖ Reaching out to the community –

Gruhapravesam / Pujas / Havans and other religious events at Devotees' Homes

- ❖ Our Priests performed 700 plus individual special services at devotees homes through out the valley.



Special kudos 🙌 to the **PRIESTS**



By Ganesha's grace we had over 50,000 devotees visit your temple  
from May, 2022 to March, 2023

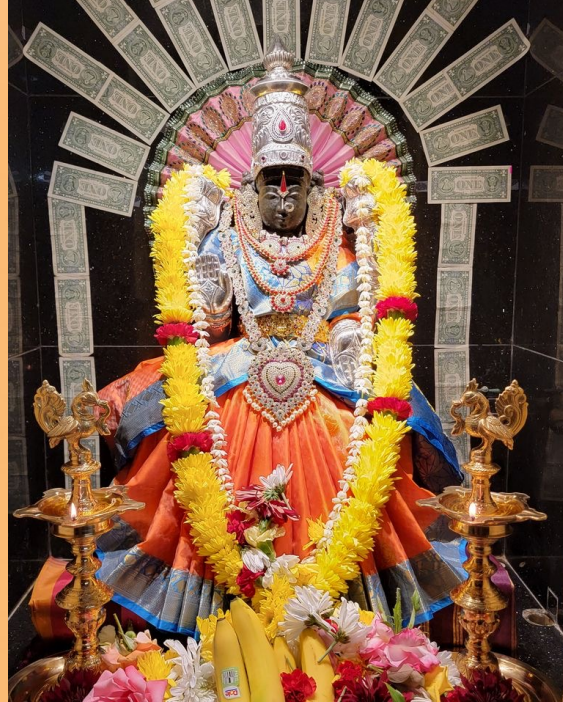
**Thanks to all the devotees for  
SUPPORTING THE TEMPLE  
YOUR Support  
Helps YOUR Temple to Sustain and Grow.**

**Keep Up, Enhance Your Support  
For Religious Services  
&  
Receive the Blessings of Sri Maha Ganapati**





# Your Temple known for its unique alankaram





# Your Temple known for its Homas & Yagyas





# Some unique eye catching pictures



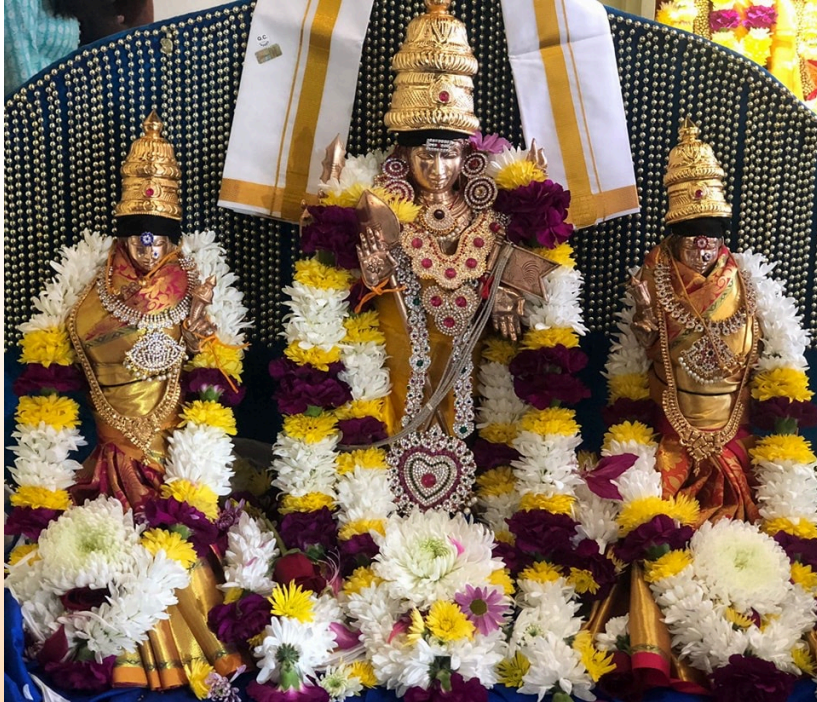


# Some unique eye catching pictures





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# Our Ganesha adorned with a New Silver Crown (Surya Kireetam)

*A Humble Offering  
by Valley Devotees*





***Nava Kundatmaka Sri Yagam***  
*(Yagam performed in Nine Homa Kundams)*

**Thursday May 11<sup>th</sup> till Sunday May 14<sup>th</sup> 2023**



The central image block contains three distinct visual elements. On the left is a large, ornate yellow Ganesha statue with a white trunk and multiple arms, seated on a blue cloth. In the center is a vertical panel with a blue background, featuring nine deities seated on pink lotus flowers, with a central figure of Lord Venkateswara and Goddess Padmavati. On the right is a deity with a white face and a crown, seated in a decorative archway (prabhavali) adorned with garlands.

Continuing the annual tradition!

With your support, the Temple is set to celebrate for the 1<sup>st</sup> time in the Valley  
Sri Yagam

May 11<sup>th</sup> thru May 14<sup>th</sup>





# Religious Committee Team

Priest Jeyantheeswaran Bhattar

Priest Varaprakash Kosuri Acharyalu

Priest MuraliKrishna Kanduri

Sri Balaji Soundararajan

Sri Mahadevan

Sri Mohan Gopalakrishnan

Sri Bhaskar Kolluri

Sri Srinivasan Krishnamurthy

Sri Sribhaskar Mahadevan

Supported by 25+ Ritwiks from the Valley



# Finance Summary

AGM, April 2023



# Finance Overview - 2022

<b>Donations Received</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Services & Donations	\$ 847,444
<b>Total Donations</b>	<b>\$ 847,444</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Operating Expenses	\$ 462,594
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 462,594</b>
<b>Net Savings</b>	<b>\$ 384,850</b>



# Financial Standing as of April 2023

MGTOA Account(s)	Available Balance
Temple Operating Funds	\$307,768
Construction Funds	\$250,323
Benevity Funds (Corporate Matching)	\$248,735
Contingency Funds	\$278,969
Reserve Funds	\$314,320
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$1,400,115</b>
Investment Funds	\$125,000
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$1,525,115</b>



# Financial Highlights – 2022

- Temple takes pride in being fiscally responsible for expense reduction by diligently working with all the committees and vendor partners
- Year over Year of favorable variance to budget
- Monthly vendor payments are mostly automated to ensure no disruption of services
- Ensured timely processing of the following monthly activities
  - Payroll (Kudos to Gopal)
  - ACH (Kudos to Sekhar)



# Finance Team Volunteers

- Elango Ramanathan
- Meyyappan  
Meyyappan
- Karu Thenappan
- Praveen Alamuri
- Gopal Peyyeti
- Ramu Elango
- Sekhar Konanki
- Chitra Subramanian
- Sujatha Sundaram

**Appreciate all the  
continued support  
of the Finance team  
to complete the  
year successfully!!!**



# Annadhanam Highlights

AGM, April 2023



# Annual General Body Meeting - 2023

## Annadhanam Committee Updates

❖ Prasadam Plates served in 2022 – Around 38,500

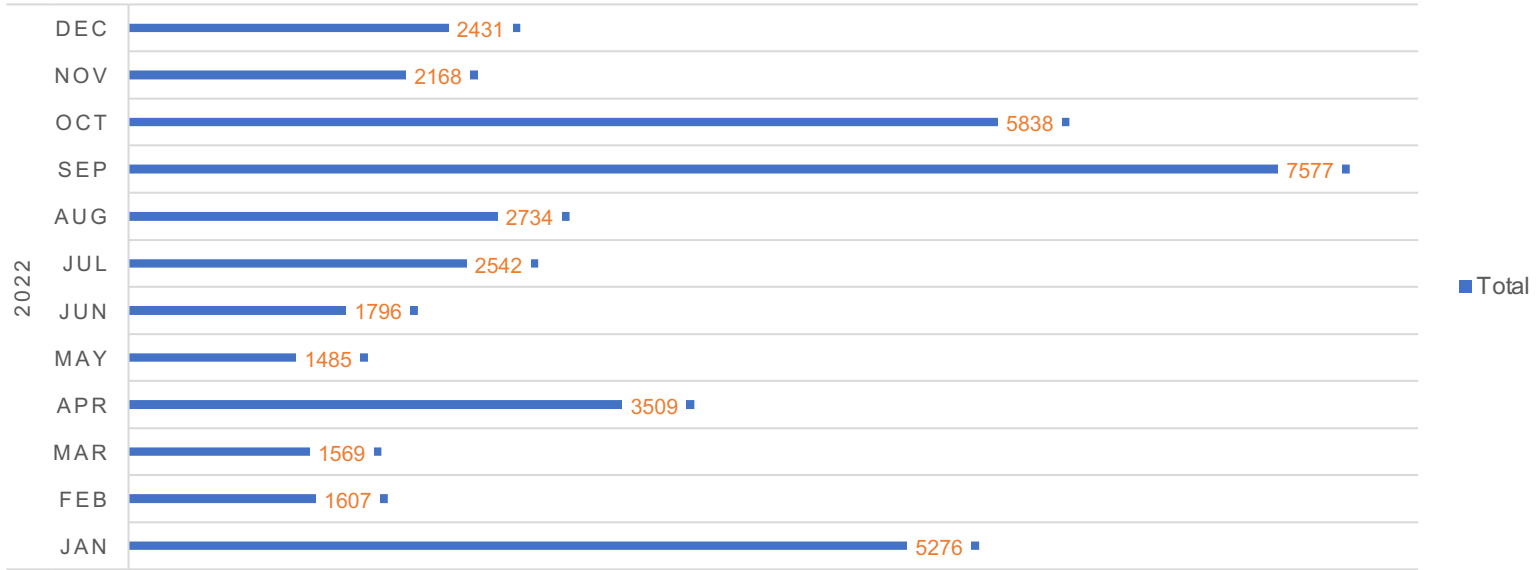




# Annual General Body Meeting - 2023

## Annadhanam Committee Updates – 2022

### 2022 TOTAL PRASADAM PLATES SERVED – 38,532

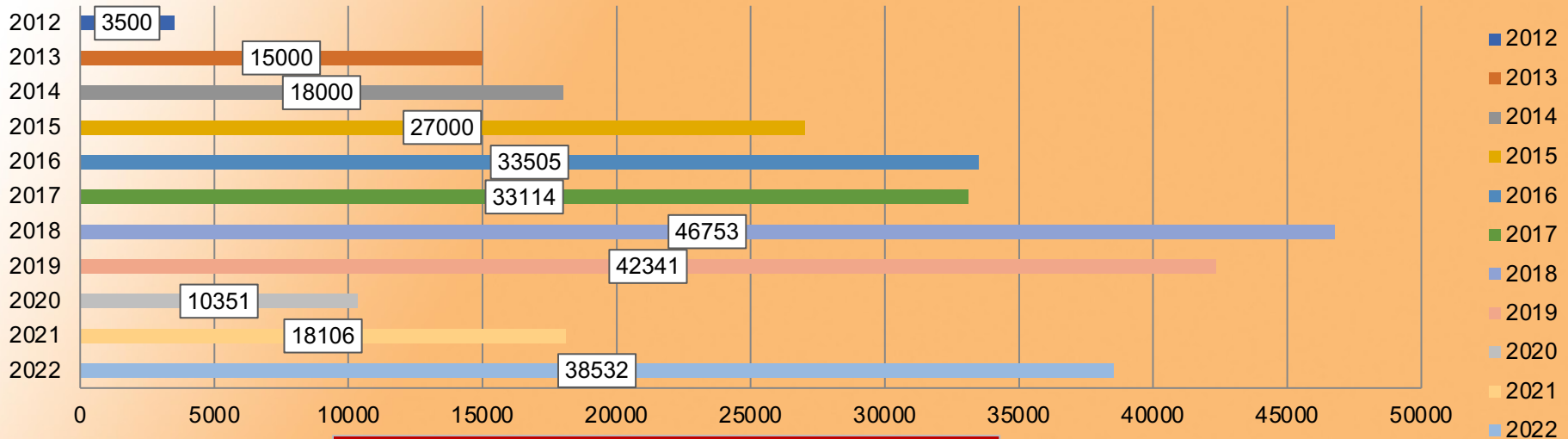




# Annual General Body Meeting - 2023

## Annadhanam Committee Updates

### Prasadam Plates Served by Year



Over 285k Prasadam plates served since Sep 2012



# Annual General Body Meeting - 2023

## Annadhanam Committee Updates

Welcome to New Annadhanam Committee Members



**Baskaran Mannusamy**



**Gopalakrishnan Palraj**

[www.ganapati.org](http://www.ganapati.org)



**Bhagavan Chintala**



**Surekha Talanki**

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# Annual General Body Meeting - 2023

## Annadhanam Committee Updates – Annadhanam Committee Members



**Sala Elango**



**Mouli Subramanian**



**Mahesh Subramanian**



**Gayathri Kirithivas**



**Premkumar Karnan**



**Ganesh Krishnamurthy**



**Manjunath Prasad**



**Jayaprakash Rathinavelu**



# Annual General Body Meeting - 2023

## Annadhanam Committee Updates – Annadhanam Committee Members



**Meenakshi Arun**



**Valliappan Annamalai**



**Vani Padmanapan**



**Lakshmi Subramanian**



**Srinivasa Gupta – Co-Chair**

[www.ganapati.org](http://www.ganapati.org)



**Karu Thenappan – Chair**

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# Construction Milestones

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# Construction Milestones – 2022 – 2023



- Agamic Ornamentation of the Temple Exterior Wall
  - In Progress
- Construction Roadmap
  - Planning is underway for several infrastructural improvements that enhance devotee experience.

# Traditional Art-work on Temple Outer Wall

- **Plastering Work**
  - Completed on all 4 outer walls
- **Design work started in Fall of year 2021**
  - Work is in progress now.
  - Expected time of completion - Dec 2023.







# Construction Work - Highlights

- **Staff/ Resources:**
  - **Currently we have 3 skilled Shilpis working on the project**
    - Shilpi. Thathathiri Mariappan joined our construction team in August of 2022
- **Short-term Construction Focal:**
  - **Temple Perimeter Fencing to be added for enhanced security**
  - Designated Footwear area for devotees' convenience
  - Enhanced flooring around the **Temple praakaram (walk-way around the temple)**
- **Long-Term Construction Focal:**
  - **Temperature-controlled storage area**
  - Improved Restroom facility
  - Multi-purpose hall with cultural hall, dining area and kitchen.



# Operations Highlights

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# Operations Committee

- Our amazing volunteer group is growing and we still need more volunteers.
- Completed the painting on all outside walls except the newly constructed SW side.
- For Safety and security - New security cameras installed around the temple and Annalakshmi hall.
- For Ganesh Chaturthi with the help of volunteers moved the Viswaroopa Ganapthi to the Yagashala area and event went smooth, thanks to our volunteers.
- Painted the front entrance area with cool deck paint to make easier to walk during hot summers.
- Planted 40 trees that were donated and also added shade structure to protect them.



# Operations Committee

- Diwali event was well organized with more slots for fireworks so that it is safe for devotees.
- New focus lights installed inside all the small shrines
- Cleaned and removed the old storage cabinets inside the temple and replaced with new cabinets.
- Painting work completed inside the temple walls and also in the Yagashala area.
- Ganapati Sena volunteers came out consistently for cleaning the surroundings and helped during the events.



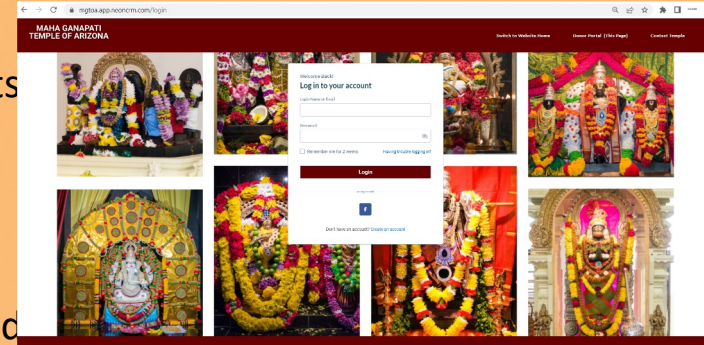
# Devotee Relations Committtee

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# Devotee Relations Committee

- Published the 2023 Calendar customized for Arizona.
- Live streamed major celebrations in Temple on facebook & events archived as photo gallery in the website.
- Timely updates to devotees on temple events
  - 50+ Email comms, 200+ Social media (Fb/IG/Whatsapp) posts
- Early access of Devotee Portal provided to the monthly donors
  - Manage their own contact info & sankalpam details
  - Track their donation history from 2008
  - Update their recurring donation.
- Green Initiatives - Reduce Paper posters/receipts replaced with digital
- New phone system for improved devotee call response times (especially during major event days).
- New automated workflows between devotee signups & religious service coordination for a select few religious services.





# Mahila Committee Highlights

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# Mahila Committee Members

- ❖ Sujatha Gunnala
- ❖ Vasanthi Ravi
- ❖ Vasanthi Mahadevan
- ❖ Satya Inti
- ❖ Vijayashree Kumar
- ❖ Anupama Gurjar
- ❖ Sala Elango
- ❖ Lakshmi Dhumuntarao
- ❖ Madhavi Seelam
- ❖ Bala Nalla

Supported by many other volunteers





## Highlights

- Mahila committee has coordinated, supported and volunteered at various religious events throughout the year. This includes Prasadam preparations, Distribution, Puja plates preparations, Stage and mandap decorations, making Flower garlands as needed by the priests and religious committee.
- Tulasi kota setup and decoration, Organized Karthika Pournami Deepa puja.
- Ugadi celebrations coordinated the event 2022
- Coordinated Sri Rama Navami celebrations with Sita Rama Kalyanam 2022
- Shravana masam: Samuhika Varalakshmi Vratam



- Karthika Pournami: Samuhika Satyanarayana Vratam and Tulasi Kota Karthika Deepa Puja
- Performed various activities such as Temple kitchen cleaning, organizing kitchen and priest cabinets
- Maintaining inventory and Ironing Veshtis and Deities' vastras and cleaning brass kalasas.
- Helping Finance committee with Asset tracking of silver and gold items.



Temple is looking for an enterprising front desk manager.

If you know of someone interested in working for the temple, please send resume to

[info@ganapati.org](mailto:info@ganapati.org)



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Member Director	Sivaneshan Visaganathan



# Thank you for your Service

- **Mohan Gopalakrishnan**
- **Madhuraj Ammathur**
  - Will resume role in the Executive Advisory Council



**The best way to become rich is by giving!**

**Volunteer**

**Donate**

**Serve**

**Thank you**