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Orphan Grain Train started thirty years ago with a warehouse and sorting facility in Norfolk, Nebraska. The funds from this grant will help to update and expand the new Orphan Grain Train Servant Center. The new center will have more of its resources under one roof, a new drop off point separated from the loading dock, an expanded area for packaging Mercy Meals, a break area for volunteers and an instructional area. The updated center will be a safer work environment for the all-volunteer staff. This center in Norfolk is one of twenty-eight Orphan Grain Train warehouse sites across the U.S.

Once the Orphan Grain Train Servant Center is complete, it will serve millions of people both in the United States and around the world, bringing food, clothing, medical supplies and equipment, and educational materials and provide the people served with the lifesaving Gospel of Jesus Christ.

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