Biology club raises donations for shelter

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The EPCC Biology club is running a donation drive for Pet Guardian Angel to support the life quality of dozens of homeless dogs and cats.

"We care about animals and we wanted just to help them out because people take a lot more interest in homeless shelters and forget that animals are neglected and abused as well," said Albert Soliz, president of the Biology Club.

The club is specifically in need of Pedigree dog food and Purina cat food, since they are veterinarian certified food.

Other types of donations could be gallon sized bleach and clean, new or used bath towels which are used to maintain the shelter's operation room and the pets' surgeries in optimal conditions.

Students can drop off their donations at VV room A2723. Extra credit for their donations is offered for those taking any



Donations will go to help homeless cats and dogs from the Pet Guardian Angel Welfare Association.

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The club will be receiving the donations until Oct. 25 and on Oct. 26 they will deliver all

the collected donations to the Pet Guardian Welfare.

"We wanted to do this so that we can go ahead and give back to the community and help these neglected animals,"

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said Soliz.

Pet Guardian Angel's mission goes beyond rescuing thousands of dogs and cats from homelessness and illnesses; it also contributes to improve the welfare of animals in El

Pet Guardian Angel Director Martha Williams addresses the issue of the city's consideration for homeless pets.

"Almost all cities have an agency that puts animals in a high status, but here it has always been low. Somewhere around 200 animals day are put down in El Paso area at various agencies

or veterinarian clinics, over 200 a day, and most of these are viable and healthy animals or could be healthy animals but have no place to call home."

"People count how many adoptions they do but they never mention how many come back. Most agencies don't take pets back... When you take a pet it should be a lifetime thing. They're God's gift to humanity, they have a dog or cat that worships them and people cannot put give the same value on them," said Williams.

Dozens of dogs and cats at the Pet Guardian

Angel are available for adoption.

The shelter has adoption fairs every Sunday from 10 p.m. -4 p.m. and pets are neutered, vaccinated and ready to go home.

For more information about how to contribute the Biology club, staff can be reached through their Facebook page at www.facebook. com/epccbiologyclub

Besides food donations, Pet Guardian Angel Welfare Inc. is also in need of monetary donations due to the cost of insurance and utilities of the shelter which is located at 14911 Mc-Cracken Dr.