HALO or Helping Animals Live On, is a non-profit no-kill shelter. HALO provides a refuge to stray or unwanted animals, as well as treat injuries and illnesses that other shelters- such as The Human Society- refuse to**.** Their mission is to help animals live on through increased adoption, sterilization, and pet care education. HALO transitioned from a completely foster-based organization to an agency that utilizes both foster homes and a physical adoption center. Their adoption center is a 3,000-square-foot building on close to two acres of land. They are located on Camelback and 35th Avenue in Phoenix. During this time of the year, people are donating to human needs and forgetting the animals. Not us, though. This shelter is in need of donations to help pay for the care of the animals. They need our help.

Animals are a very important part of our lives. Paige’s family helps communities with stray animals by catching them humanly, taking them to a spay and neuter clinic and having them fixed. After, they are released back into the communities. The families in the community leave food and water outside their houses along with a blanket to help provide a meal and some sort of bed for them. A lot of times families will leave their garage doors cracked open slightly so the cats can stay warm inside during the winter. The spay and neuter clinic is based off of donations, so we (Paige’s family) donates money, food, and blankets for every visit. They have taken over 50 cats within the past year to the clinic. Cody’s family leaves their garage open for the stray cats in his neighborhood, along with caring for over five dogs, three cats, and a turtle named Franklin. Because animals are so important to us, Peoria High School FFA has decided to get involved in a community service project to raise donations for HALO. Because they are a no kill shelter, they take in a lot of animals, thus having limited supplies and money to fund the shelter. Helping HALO by donating money, blankets, animal food, and cleaning supplies would benefit not only the workers, but the animals and communities they help. Our purpose is to raise as much donations that we can in order to help the animals.

With this community service project, we are targeting anyone and everyone in Peoria that has a place in their heart for animals. The goal for this project is to meet the needs of the animals at the shelter. The shelter is in need of donations of gently used blankets, pet/ animal friendly cleaning supplies, and food for cats and dogs, as well as money donations.

\*This is how the money donations will be used at the shelter:

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| Keep an animal Comfy- $10 | Provides a comfy bed & blanket |
| Clean the Shelter- $25 | Buys enough cleaning supplies to clean/sanitize the entire shelter |
| Let them Play-$50 | Buys 100 assorted animal toys |
| Microchip 10 Animals-$100 | Provides 10 animals with locater microchips |
| Injury Repair-$500 | Pay for broken bones/ serious illness |
| Add a Kennel-$1,000 | Provides a range of kennels for big- small animals |
| Heal 250 Animals-$5,000 | Pays for medication for sick animals |
| Vaccinate 1,000 puppies/kittens-$10,000 | Pays for vaccines to protect puppies and kittens from diseases |
| Spay/Neuter 1,000 animals-$50,000 | All animals at the shelter must be spayed/Neutered before adoption- it’s a law |

Any amount of money and donation can help HALO. For this project we will be holding four different fundraisers. Each fundraiser will last a week, and the donations will be picked up at the end of every week.

1. Donation Collection- we will place bins at the local Elementary schools and High schools in the district. The students, staff, and families will be asked to donate bags of cat or dog food, any gently used blankets, and pet friendly cleaning supplies.
2. Car wash- Volunteers will come out on Saturday and Sunday for a car wash. The car was will be at the Chevron on Bell road. All proceeds will go to the shelter.
3. 50/50 Raffle- The elementary and High Schools within the district will raise money through a 50/50 raffle. At the end of the week all the tickets will go in a bin and the winner will be announced. The winner receives half of the profits; the rest will go to the shelter.
4. Baked goods- Families from the communities will voluntarily bring home-made baked good to the Elementary softball and basketball games, as well as to the High school soccer and basketball games to be sold. Profits will go to the shelter.

*Peoria High School FFA*

*Mr. Fuller & Mr.Kaltenboch*

*Event Coordinator*

*Paige Grube & Cody Partain*

*Beneficiary*

*HALO Animal Shelter*