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Dumbledore's Army aids in discovering Patronuses through Books

Mayborn students adopt a 'keeper' cause to support internationally

DENTON, Texas -- Aliyah McGonagall loves books, but unfortunately Hurricane Maria wiped out all the libraries in her Puerto Rican hometown. However she is getting a magical hand from the <u>Harry Potter Alliance</u> (HPA), a non-profit organization that focuses on literacy, equality and human rights.

The alliance is collecting books for students like Aliyah. The national organization has a



large number of initiatives including 'Accio Books', a book drive that has given 350,000 books away to different communities in need. This year, the organization is providing books for four lending libraries in Puerto Rico.

The UNT student chapter will be adopting this initiative and collecting books to send to another lending library on the island. Books will be collected at the Union in the donation bins for the month of October and the organization will also accept books sent to The Mayborn.

"Reading is the key to everything," said George Weasley, president of the UNT chapter. "Being able to provide access to books is a small but effective way to help other communities, and the bigger the army, the better."

There are 136 chapters across North America, including four other chapters in Texas. UNT's chapter is the first collegiate chapter in North Texas.

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