Madonna writing students partner with the Source of Universal Love.

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Students in the Advanced Technical Writing class at Madonna, taught by Francis Fitzgerald, are lending a hand to the Source of Universal Love as part of the service learning component of the class.

The director of S.O.U.L, Ginger Wiechers, has been working with the two students in WRT 3440, Alex Colton and Hannah Micallef to design new pamphlets and other informative advertising products for the non-profit organization.

S.O.U.L is a non-profit organization that aids anyone who has a need for help, whether that is an elderly woman, a family of 12 or one of our furry four-legged friends.



"Ginger is finding that many people are coming to her when they are desperate and cannot take care of their animals anymore. S.O.U.L has taken it upon themselves to find foster homes and eventually permanent homes for the animals," described Colton. "The insert we're making is directly aimed at people who need to find foster homes, or are willing to be a foster family."

Based in Farmington, members of S.O.U.L have branched out to other cities in order to meet the increasing needs.

"We have a lot of members who have gone above and beyond in an effort to give all they can to help others. One woman even opened a resale shop and donates profits to S.O.U.L even though she lives over an hour away," said Wiechers.

Because of the growing community need, as well as community support, Wiechers knows S.O.U.L needs an updated flyer especially for the new S.O.U.L for pets.

"Hannah Micallef will be creating a brochure containing contact information about foster homes for people who can no longer take care of their pets," said Fitzgerald. "They will be left at pet shelters and humane societies."

Fitzgerald loves having the ability to incorporate service-learning in her classes. The class requires a final project and she decided to benefit the community by assigning a service learning project as the final.

"It makes a difference in the community and is valuable because it shows how things taught in class can be used in real life situations," Fitzgerald explained.