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Senator Blanco Hosts 3rd Annual "Beat the Heat" Senior Box Fan Giveaway

El Paso, Texas - Today, Senator César J. Blanco delivered 100 box fans to economically disadvantaged senior citizens in El Paso to help provide cooling relief in their homes and save on electric bills.

"Our current heat wave in El Paso poses serious health risks to some of our community's most vulnerable senior citizens. That's why it's so important to help out vulnerable senior citizens with an effective and simple solution to help them beat the heat this summer," said Senator Blanco. "I had a great time personally distributing these free box fans and delivering this much-needed relief from the heat to our seniors for the third year in a row."

More than 80 percent of the estimated 12,000 people in the United States who die of heat-related causes annually are over age 60. Because people age 60 and over tend to have more chronic conditions like diabetes and heart disease, elevated temperatures make it harder to cool off the body.

Blanco also added, "I want to thank our sponsors and partners, El Paso Electric and Sweet Home Adult Daycare for donating box fans and identifying our constituents in need. I am always inspired by our community's generosity!"

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