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Dear GEAA members,

Thanks to all of you who spread the word about H-E-B's tear pad campaign last weekend. We need to let you know, however, that **H-E-B decided yesterday to cancel this campaign** in order to devote its full efforts to an emergency response program for soldiers and families of victims of the Fort Hood tragedy. We believe that the San Antonio tear pad campaign will be back in April, though, so we'll keep you posted.

Unfortunately, this is not the only shortfall we've had to cope with this year; due to the economy many of our foundation funders have been unable to support us as generously as they have in the past. To raise enough funds to get us through this year, we've decided to host an **online auction** just in time for Christmas shopping! It will begin on Tuesday, December 1st and end on Tuesday, December 15th. We've already got a few big items lined up – two Southwest Airlines roundtrip tickets to any destination good for one year, and a weekend stay at the beautiful Villa Del Rio B&B – but **we need your help** to make this auction a fundraising success!

If you can offer any items valued at \$100 or more, please email or call Elena by Friday, November 20th (Elena@AquiferAlliance.org or 210-320-1457). Please be creative in thinking about what you could offer – we would love to auction off experiences as well as items. Perhaps you can volunteer to take a high bidder caving or kayaking, give a rainwater harvesting consultation – this is your opportunity to put your unique expertise or services on the auction block to benefit GEAA. **And of course, please forward this email on to your friends, family, and business associates.**

Thanks so much for your support. Stay tuned for more information about the auction in the coming weeks.

Sincerely,
Annalisa Peace
Executive Director