

Dear GEAA members and friends,

You should be receiving your annual membership renewal notice in the next few days. This year, we are uniquely dependent upon your largesse and the success of this membership campaign. Because we are operating on such a tight budget, spending for fundraising events could compromise our eligibility to participate in employee giving campaigns. We rely more than ever on your membership donation to directly fund our [2012 programs](#).

So, what is the best reason to renew your GEAA membership? Well, at a briefing at the Edwards Aquifer Authority yesterday I learned that the population of GEAA's service area (currently 3,848,130) is expected to reach 7 million by 2032. All these people will need water, and GEAA is at the forefront in engaging our region in water and land use policy to address these needs – and to insure that all this new growth does not compromise the integrity of our groundwater resources.

The good news is that GEAA Board member, Steve Hixon, has generously pledged to match individual and business donations over \$200! So, don't miss this opportunity to double your donation.

If you do not receive your membership renewal in the mail, please let me know ([Annalisa@AquiferAlliance.org](mailto:Annalisa@AquiferAlliance.org)). Check out [all the great projects](#) that GEAA is doing this year. And, tell your friends about us.

Many thanks to all the thoughtful folks who have already renewed your membership, or who made an [on-line donation](#)! We hope to hear from the rest of you soon.

Best wishes on this rainy day,

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