

July 25, 2023

Dear Texas Center for Local Food,

Sentli is a non profit organization whose mission is to reconnect people to the land and local food system. We accomplish this through education, regeneration, food policy, and research. The Sentli Center wants to cultivate future farmers to continue the hard work and commitment to provide our communities with nutrient-dense produce while taking care of the land. We offer K-12 on-farm educational experiences and want to share this knowledge with our communities and believe the Texas Farm-Based Education Workbook would be a great resource to ourselves and others supporting the next generation of farmers.

If your application is selected for funding, I will support this project through participation in the topic team which will review and develop the Texas Farm-Based Education Workbook. My experience implementing a K-12 on farm education programs such as field trips and farm field days will provide insights on the content and formatting of the curriculum.

Sentli is committed to reconnecting our Texas communities to our farmlands and building thriving local food systems. The Texas Farm-Based Education Workbook is a unique opportunity to support farmers while shaping the next generation of the Texas food system through education and community building.

I will participate in and support the 2024-25 Texas Farm-Based Education Workbook proposal for the period of April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2026 in the following way(s):

- Participation in virtual meetings during the workbook development to share our programs successes and challenges as well as educational materials as a content contributor
- Occasional asynchronous work throughout the process

Sincerely,

Shakera Raygoza

Director