

# 2020 End of Year Report

## Central Texas Young Farmers Coalition

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### Overview

What started as an invigorated and ambitious year quickly transformed into focusing on how we and our farmers could simply survive. From March - December, our chapter took a few months to “go fallow,” which allowed our leadership and members to focus on meeting the new demand for local food among the pandemic. During this time, we continued to share resources, maintain the listserv, instagram and Facebook page and group. We also thought hard about how our little chapter fits into the broader community of farmers and supporting organizations. In December, we regrouped to plan for the future, which includes an election in June. We are excited to spend the next six months drumming up engagement and preparing for the transition.



### 2019 Timeline

#### January

We hosted a social meetup. 6 attended.

We hosted a panel on inter-generational land transition at the Texas Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association conference. Panelists included

Skip Connett of Green Gate Farms, Matt Simon of New Leaf Agriculture and CTYFC VP, Michelle Akyndia of Farmshare Austin and Katherine Tanner of Hat & Heart Farm.

Matt and Amy hosted the annual TOFGA trivia night.

#### February

We hosted a social meetup and book sale. 21 attended and we raised just over \$200!

#### March

We hosted an educational meetup about the Texas Young Farmer Grant. We had staff from the Texas Department of Agriculture, as well as a past recipient

Jaymie Gage of B5 Farm attend. 7 people attended, this was as the pandemic was starting to spread.

Our first on-farm potluck was scheduled for the end of March at Cassiopeia Farm, which was cancelled due to COVID-19.

CTYFC officially was accepted to become fiscally sponsored by Young Farmers!

#### April - August

Ali launched a virtual book club reading *Farming While Black* in June, which included a giveaway of two books. They met monthly through November?

We hosted one virtual social meetup in July. 4 people attended.

#### September

We hosted [Tiffany Washington](#) for a presentation on the History of Black Farming in Central Texas. We raised \$385 in donations plus a \$250 sponsorship from Antonelli's Cheese Company to compensate Tiffany for her work. 55 people attended that evening, and the recording has since been watched 187 times.

#### October

We attended to behind the scenes fiscal sponsorship work.

#### November

Carolina, Mo, Tiffany and Kacey attending the National Young Farmers Coalition Convergence. Roughhouse Brewing Company surprised us with a donation raised by a raffle to celebrate the release of a new beer. Ali attended the event on CTYFC's behalf.

#### December

Leadership team started working on the plan for 2021, including updating the website, launching a second round of CTYFC book club, drafting bylaws and ongoing policies and planning for June elections.

### **Finances**

CTYFC became fiscally sponsored by Young Farmers in March of 2020. This meant transferring over our funds from our account with [Sustainable Food Center](#), which was completed in October. You can see a snapshot of our budget below and our full budget at [this link](#).

Expected Revenue		Projected Expenses	
Category	Total	Category	Total
Donations	1200	Conferences	1560
Grants	2000	Fundraiser	500
Sponsorships	750	Administrative	302
Merch sales	600	Meetings/Events	100
		Paid Coordinator	1200
<b>Total</b>	<b>3950</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>3662</b>

[https://www.centraltexasyoungfarmers.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/ETY-Report\\_CTYFC.pdf](https://www.centraltexasyoungfarmers.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/ETY-Report_CTYFC.pdf)

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