Texas Center for Local Food

- Vision: Sustainable Texas food systems that are healthy for people, animals, and the planet.
- Purpose: Increase farmer net income and create quality rural jobs in Texas
- Farmer-directed
- Economics
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April 2016

Demand

Texans spend $56 Billion/year on food

18 MILLION PEOPLE WITHIN 200 MILES OF ELGIN
Texas Center for Local Food
Primary Focus Area 2017-19
Economic Development
Rural Central Texas Needs Local Jobs

Household Income Disparities in Central Texas

Legend

Median household income

- $118,750.01 - $208,064.00 (Highest 20%)
- $84,271.01 - $118,750.00
- $60,944.01 - $84,271.00 (Middle 20%)
- $41,317.01 - $60,944.00
- $0.00 - $41,317.00 (Lowest 20%)

By Carol Fraser, PT Regional Planner CAPCOG
February 2018
Texas Center for Local Food - Projects

- USDA FoodLINC - leveraging value chains for increased wholesale sales
- Good Food Purchasing Program
- Local Food Price Study
- Food hub feasibility study
- Local Food Leader training statewide
- Beyond Fresh: Farmer Guide to Value-Added Processing
- ELF - Elgin Local Food Center
- Elgin ISD After School local food and agriculture
- Farm and food business resources directory and event calendar
- Hurricane Harvey Emergency Relief
# Collaborators

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Texas Center for Local Food Economic Development

Jobs in Local Agricultural Enterprise

Support shared vested interest
Texas
Rural Economic Development
and Local Food

National Good Food Conference, March, 2018

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