This month’s featured farm is the Gray Gardens vegetable farm in Buda, Texas, not far from Austin. The farm is owned by the Gray family, and Billy Gray, Jonas Jones, Nick Leonard and Sherry Highsmith are the farmers. Gray Gardens has been up and running as a farm for 18 years. If you are ever in the Buda area, give Billy Gray a call and you might find yourself put to work in their Worktrade Program. In this program, volunteers learn gardening skills and are compensated with fresh fruits and vegetables.

Last season, Gray Gardens provided food to 40 families from seven different cities. Many of these families received community supported agriculture (CSA) boxes on a weekly basis. Customers pay ahead of time and reap the rewards later. This way Gray Gardens has money available to pay for their seeds and labor costs.