

# **April 2025 E-Harvest Newsletter**

A Message from Commissioner Miller



Texas Agriculture Commissioner

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Farm Fresh Sharing





Farm Fresh Sharing spotlights TDA partners prioritizing farm fresh foods and nutrition activities.

Risa Treviño serves as the Senior Operations Manager at Northside ISD in San Antonio. Under her leadership, the district has participated in Farm Fresh programming for several years. Find the profile here Find the profile here.

The image on the left was provided by Northside ISD.

### **Harvest of the Month**

April's Harvest of the Month is broccoli. Broccoli is enjoyed worldwide and comes in purple and white, in addition to the more common green variety.

Use this recipe for Chicken Vegetable Bowl to give your students access to local broccoli and chicken.

For current grant opportunities, visit our Funding Opportunities page <u>here.</u>

# Farm Fresh Learning

Use TDA's Harvest of the Month posters and product sheets to teach your students about some of the items grown across the Lone Star State.

- <u>CACFP Red & Yellow Bell Peppers Product Sheet</u>
- NSLP Red & Yellow Bell Peppers Product Sheet
- <u>CACFP Red & Yellow Bell Peppers Fun Facts</u>
- NSLP Red & Yellow Bell Peppers Fun Facts

## **Farm Fresh Producer**

#### **Funding Opportunities**

Find current funding opportunities for Texas farmers, ranchers, and producers by visiting TDA's **Grants & Services page**.

### **Texas Farm Fresh Network**

TDA is updating the Farm Fresh Network (FFN) map with new features to enhance user-friendliness. The current map will remain available on SquareMeals.org until the new map is ready. New members not on the map can be found in a list at the top of the FFN page.

#### **New FFN members for April:**

Leon River Premium Beef	Gatesville	Protein	Kayli Clawson	kayliclawson@thirdco ast.com
Desi Farms	Commerce	Fruit/Vegetable	Kavitha Karidi	desifarmstexas@gma il.com
Plains Dairy	Amarillo	Milk	Jared Roberts	j <u>roberts@plainsdairy.</u> com



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### **Connect with Others**

#### **Texas Farm Fresh Network:**

Use this tool to connect with Texas food companies that currently sell or are interested in selling to schools, childcare centers, adult care centers and summer meal programs. Company listings include contact information, product availability and distribution radius.

## **Funding Opportunities**:

Financial support from organizations may help establish or advance local Farm Fresh initiatives. This list includes opportunities from TDA, USDA and other organizations.

### **Interested in learning more about Texas products?**

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