



## Dallas/ Fort Worth Team Members Partner with Urban Farm to Rebuild South Dallas Community



### Steffany Villalobos | Southwest Regional Office Dallas/ Fort Worth Metro

Steffany has been a Team Member for nearly a decade and is currently a Local Forager with the Southwest Regional Office. Her **passion** for supporting her local community extends beyond her role, and her **commitment** is straightforward: “I believe **we all play a part in our future** and the importance of healthy food education and access.” She has been volunteering with Bonton Farms for more than a year, and this is the second Community First Grant she has secured on behalf of the nonprofit. Currently, there is a monthly volunteer day at the farm for all metro Team Members and up to 40 Team Members volunteer. Steffany is hopeful the **evolving relationship** between the metro area and the farm will engage even more Team Member volunteers.

### Bonton Farms [bontonfarms.org](http://bontonfarms.org)

Bonton Farms is a 40-acre site in the South Dallas community working to **utilize agricultural intervention** to create jobs, foster health, and increase access to healthy food in their community. In addition to **growing organic produce**, the farm houses free-range chickens, goats, turkeys, rabbits and beehives. By operating one of the **largest urban farms in the U.S.**, running an on-site market and café, offering nutritional programming, plus additional community-building efforts, they are not only **advancing fresh food access**—they are helping **local residents prosper in every aspect of their lives** from health and wellness to employment and housing. Whole Cities Foundation is honored to support Bonton Farms with their second Community First Grant as they restore and redefine a community.



Whole Foods Market Team Members can nominate a local nonprofit increasing access to fresh, healthy food or nutrition education for a \$5,000 grant.

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