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Emily Mendez is the Director of Sustainability for GFF, where she leads our internal committee comprised of sustainability representatives across all market sectors. Emily is a graduate of Texas Tech University, with experience in institutional, faith-based, corporate, and residential design. She is a Registered Interior Designer in the State of Texas, a LEED AP, and a Fitwel Ambassador. She is also an Associate Member of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) and is the 2022 Chair of the AIA Dallas Committee on the Environment.

Emily's work on sustainability in the built environment began with a simple desire to better understand the materials she selects for interiors projects. She then dove

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deeper into how all building design decisions affect people and the planet – particularly decisions that impact carbon emissions. Her current efforts center around education: providing awareness and advocacy on a variety of sustainability-related issues and opportunities both to our staff and our clients.

Emily is the co-author of GFF's Black & Gold List, which is a GFF initiative to source exterior and interior materials that promote environmental and human health throughout the life of a project – from initial manufacturing to end of life cycle. GFF encourages the selection of materials that are responsibly sourced, low in harmful chemical content, and contribute to reduced carbon emissions.

GFF'S COMPLETED LEED PROJECTS

LEED Gold

- 17Seventeen McKinney
- Good Shepherd Episcopal School Center for Creative Learning
- Old Parkland Hospital Nurses Hall
- Old Parkland Hospital Woodlawn Hall
- Brandt Engineering Corporate Headquarters
- Perot Museum of Nature and Science
- TLC Corporate Offices
- Crate & Barrel Streets at Southpoint
- Corazon

LEED Silver

- St. Mark's School of Texas Winn Science Building
- M-Line Tower
- Briscoe Carpenter Livestock Center
- SMU Perkins School of Theology
- West 7th NE Office Building
- Freedom Crossing at Fort Bliss
- Gables Park 17
- Park Place Mercedes-Benz of Grapevine
- Gaylord Texas Resort Pool
- Fiori on Vitruvian Park
- Alta West Davis

LEED Certified

- The Kincaid at Legacy
- Capital One Building 7
- Environmental Science Building at Lakehill Prep School
- Honda of Burleson
- John Eagle Honda of Rockwall
- Park Place Plano Lexus
- Park Place Mercedes-Benz of Arlington
- Hockaday Centennial Center

Green Globes

- Pizza Hut and KFC Center of Restaurant Excellence (2)
- Capital One Building 5 (3)
- Capital One Building 6 (3)
- Perot Museum of Nature and Science (4)

Sustainable Sites Initiative

- Perot Museum of Nature and Science
- 2030 Challenge 60% Energy Reduction
- Visalia First Assembly