

## LANCASTER SOUTH COLLABORATIVE

The Lancaster South region was selected based on local data and known realities that many families face in the communities south of King St. These communities are categorized as economically depressed and experience decreasing home ownership rates, high unemployment, and increasing poverty rates.

The collaborative oversees and supports the work of five Community Connectors who focus on working with families and clients who live south of King St. in Lancaster City. These connectors support families by connecting them to services, resources, or opportunities they may need to reach greater stability.

Connectors are highly skilled in their ability to provide relevant linkages, information and connections to families by serving as a liaison or a navigator. They work with families to become self-sufficient by providing the necessary supports. Additionally, they build relationships with community based organizations and local institutions to stay current on the services that are available and the required processes to access services. It is important to note that connectors are not social workers or case managers but should be, or through professional development become, extremely knowledgeable of the resources available in the city and county, and ways to access these resources, for individuals facing barriers.

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