



## Texas Healthcare Transformation & Quality Improvement Program 1115 Waiver

### Welcome to Texas Connector and the Region 3 Health Navigation Station

#### 1. What is the Region 3 Health Navigation Station?

Located at [texasconnects.org](http://texasconnects.org), the Health Navigation Station (HNS) is an online Patient Navigation resource that was created for Region 3 participating healthcare entities. It is a search engine that was specifically designed for patient navigation staff, service providers and administrators. The HNS contains health clinic and physician data from participating Region 3 healthcare systems. This user-friendly tool helps you find participating providers in your region of interest and customize your search to meet your patient's needs.

#### 2. What do I get through the Health Navigation Station?

- **Free access until Sept. 2016**—simply create a no-cost account at [www.texasconnects.org](http://www.texasconnects.org) – no obligation to subscribe.
- **Search for healthcare providers**—create a custom results page through searching by: clinic/physician specialty or name, type of clinic/physician, insurance(s) accepted, geographic region, and more.
- **Transportation layer**—includes bus route and stop-level data.
- **Export, print, email**—create reports of your results to print, email, export, or view on the Texas Connector map.
- **An automatic two month free-trial access to the Texas Connector online social service and nonprofit mapping tool.**

#### 3. What is Texas Connector?

Texas Connector is an online, nonprofit mapping tool that combines an interactive GIS map and searchable database, including: social service providers and nonprofits, socioeconomic and demographic data, and population summaries and visual layers such as public schools, public transit, and more. Users can print, email, or export search results to identify service providers for use in client referrals, gaps in services, collaborative partners, or complementary services. From researching community resources to analyzing local continua of care, Texas Connector's powerful combination of nonprofit and demographic data gives users insight to better understand regional issues and resources and more effectively tackle community challenges.

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### **4. What do I get with my free-trial of Texas Connector?**

- **Social Service and Nonprofit Information**

Search Texas Connector's database of over 170,000 nonprofit organizations, government social service programs, foundations, faith-based entities, and other community resources by organization name, service type, or keyword. Texas Connector displays nonprofit and service provider information imported from Texas 2-1-1 (monthly) and GuideStar USA (quarterly).

- **Demographic and Socioeconomic Data**

Learn more about a region or neighborhood: Texas Connector contains a variety of demographic and socioeconomic data indicators from governmental and other sources, such as the U.S. Census Bureau (2010) and American Community Survey (2013).

- **Texas Connector Features**

**Map Controls:** Interactive controls in the Connector map allow users to easily navigate using a mouse, keyboard, touchpad, or built-in navigation button.

**Road Map and Aerial Imagery:** Toggle between a road map and aerial photography.

**Location Search:** Navigate the map to a specific location by typing a city, county, a zip code, address, etc.

**Boundary Layers:** Overlay geographic boundary layers (e.g. City, County, Zip Code), and generate custom demographic/socioeconomic reports by geographic region.

**Civic/Volunteer Layers:** Clickable visual layers showing civic engagement and volunteerism data (e.g.: charitable giving) for Houston, Dallas, San Antonio, and Austin.

**Education Layers:** Click to display education data from the Texas Education Agency, including public schools, completion rate, dropout rate, free and reduced-lunch eligibility, and more. Information is available for both the school district and school campuses.

**McNair Foundation Transportation Overlay:** Clickable layer of public transit information, including bus and rail stops and routes for Houston, Dallas, San Antonio, and Austin.

**Overlays of Selected Demographic and Socioeconomic Indicators:** Toggle colorful demographic and socioeconomic indicator layers to visualize community characteristics and needs related to income and population. Each overlay also displays a scale-dependent legend that allows users to view data from the Census block group and tract, county and state levels.



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**Detailed Organizational Profiles:** View organization snapshots and detailed profiles of service providers including address and contact information, services provided, hours of operation, and more. Users can also link to Google Maps to generate driving, walking, or biking directions.

**Note:** With a free-trial account, users can view individual organizational records and export, email and print spreadsheets of multiple organizations with *organizational names and addresses only*.

### Subscribe to Texas Connector and you can:

- **Create customized organizational, demographic/socioeconomic and location reports.** Generate detailed reports and spreadsheets of the organizational, demographic, and location data for geographic regions of interest, including service area of an organization, city, county, zip code, school district, federal or state legislative district, a radius within distance of a point, or a user-drawn shape.
- **Print, download, and email maps and data.** Print maps or custom reports, and download full spreadsheets complete with organizational details for use in other electronic applications.