What does a Community Guide and Engagement Provider do?

**Community Guide**
Short-term services designed to increase access to informal community supports by developing creative, flexible, and helpful resources. This service is available in the Basic Plus and Core waivers.

**Community Engagement**
One-on-one services designed to develop creative, flexible and supportive community resources and relationships. Individuals are introduced to the resources that are available in their area to develop skills that will facilitate integration into their community. This service helps to connect individuals to resources in their community, and once connected, supports them to participate, interact, and integrate into the community. This service is available in the Individual and Family Services waiver.

A Community Guide or Community Engagement provider will:

- Meet with to provide assistance in accomplishing goals stated in the service plan developed by you and your case manager.
- Develop strategies with you to connect with community resources, based on your interests and needs.
- Bring you together with local community members for mutual benefit and activities.
- Gather information needed to enhance participation in your community, providing you with information that is in written format, such as literature or pamphlets, for future reference.

The Department of Social and Health Services assists more than 32,000 clients through the Developmental Disabilities Administration. As part of our mission of transforming lives, we need people to serve in the role as Community Guide and Engagement provider. [www.dshs.wa.gov/dda/](http://www.dshs.wa.gov/dda/)