Below is a partial listing of the many public, private, and volunteer organizations that could be valuable partners in your public health efforts. Start by searching online for businesses and organizations near you.

**Health**
- Primary care associations
- Community health centers
- Emergency medical services
- Health departments—city, county, state
- Health professional associations
- Hospitals
- Visiting Nurse Associations
- Mental health organizations
- Substance abuse treatment agencies
- Nursing homes, home health agencies
- Red Cross chapters—local, state
- Managed care organizations

**Select Populations**
- Area Agency on Aging
- Corrections facilities
- Day care facilities/Head Start
- Disabled citizens’ alliance
- Health department clients
- Multicultural community centers
- Homeless shelters
- Youth coalitions/teen centers
- Migrant worker groups
- Minority and gay/lesbian organizations
- Women’s organizations

**Funding Resources**
- State health department
- Local businesses
- Charities/foundations
- United Way

**Planning/Regulatory Agencies**
- Local board of health
- Regional planning councils

**Community and Volunteer Organizations**
- AARP
- Faith-based organizations
- Civic groups
- Fire and rescue service
- Interagency coalitions and councils
- Nonprofit organizations

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Business
- Private businesses
- Chamber of Commerce
- Economic development directors
- Insurance companies
- Professional associations

Education
- Colleges and universities
- Public schools—elementary, secondary
- Teachers and administrators
- Parent organizations
- After-school programs
- Libraries

Government
- Mayor’s office
- Department of Veterans Affairs
- Law enforcement agency
- State legislators
- Department of Environmental Protection

Others

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