

# Javier Garcia Arellano

## ABOUT

Javier Garcia Arellano is a Community Research Liaison (CRL) serving the communities within the 2040 Partners for Health footprint, a region consisting of seven neighborhoods in the Denver metro area: Northeast Park Hill, Greater Park Hill, Central Park, Montbello, East Montclair, Northwest Aurora, and Commerce City. Javier has a background in social services and family support services which has allowed him to cultivate connections and build a very strong relationship with the communities he serves. Javier began his CRL role in December of 2021, and is looking to make a true impact through his future work.

## CCTSI ENGAGEMENT

- Community Research Liaison

## PROJECT INVOLVEMENT

Javier has found tremendous value in actively listening to other members during meetings to absorb as much knowledge as possible from his peers. Javier will be leading the Urban Denver/Aurora track for the 2022 Colorado Immersion Training in Community Engagement (CIT), which he believes will be the perfect way to put his knowledge into practice. Javier is looking to do meaningful work for his community and is enjoying the challenge of becoming a true connector for them.



## OUTLOOK

Javier is very excited for his future as a CRL and is looking forward to developing in the position as he gains more experience. Javier's own experience moving to the United States showed him how detrimental the lack of accessible information and of support can be to a person. He wants to use this experience to guide his work and provide support and resources to those in need. His goal is to be a confident connector; one that is committed to his causes and offers skills to best serve his community. He believes that this position came to him at a great time, as he feels well embedded in the community and is passionate about bringing voice to his community to ensure they are reaping the benefits of research. To him, the idea that he could help even one person as a CRL is enough to make all of his efforts worth it and propel him forward.

**“You cannot solve everyone’s problems, but if you do your best and are able to help one person/family be healthier, it makes it all worth it”**