Creating a Concept Map

A concept map will help you brainstorm your topic and identify what concepts or keywords to use as you search for information in library databases.

1. Write your topic in the box below and circle or underline the keywords or key concepts

**TOPIC:** Food deserts have a negative impact on public health in the United States

2. Write your main keyword in the center box and use other keywords in the boxes below

**Main keyword and alternative keywords**
- Food deserts
- Food insecurity
- Food supply
- Food quality

**Keyword and alternative keywords**
- Public health
- Diet
- Obesity

**Keyword and alternative keywords**
- United States
- Midwest
- Missouri
- Kansas City