

## La Mesa

Strengths	Weaknesses	Opportunities	Challenges
Churches	Historic perception	Entry feature/gateway	Economics-funding
Layout is good for biking and walking Sense of neighborhood	Lack of responsiveness from the City Lack of responsiveness from	into the neighborhood Need a bank and other general services Affordable housing	Prostitution Community involvement-make connections-how to get people involved
Name Change-	Code Enforcement Perception-old name	Small business incubator/support for	Increased foreclosure on single family homes
International District Community Gardens	(war zone) Absentee landlords and real estate management (code enforcement and land use)	small businesses Cafes, restaurants, crafts with an international flavor	Lack of City attention-funding-area is not a priority
Small Businesses	Inadequate lighting	Festivals and music	Need more police-bike patrols when school is getting out-an officer stationed at the Community Center
Leaders work with community-political support Mesa Verde	Prostitution Perception that it is unsafe-crime, drugs-it is ok in the day but not at night	Bike lanes on Copper Denisty-better quality multi-family to replace old apartments	Finding places for public green space-pocket parks Zoning Enforcement
Community Center Leisure Bowl	Weed control at traffic barriers and roundabouts	Fairgrounds-possible redevelopment	Community Center expansion
La Mesa Elementary	Street repair/water main repair-lack of service and responsiveness	Central-shops, restaurants, community events-draw people from the whole city	People outside the area think La Mesa is a dumping ground

Multi-cultural	Lack of cooperation	Block captain-neighborhood involvement	Absentee landlords
Residents-trying to make a better life	Remove traffic barriers-they are a hazard and give a bad perception	Cultural Centers (Asian Center)	Lack of home ownership
Residents-close, share, a real neighborhood	Density-poorly managed apartments and too many apartments	Vacant lot across from La Mesa Elementary-potential pocket park	Public utility inspections
Affordable	Lingering trash-enforcement issue	Pocket parks/green space	Multi-family
International Festival	Not enough public green space	Landlord Association-clean up properties	Lack of participation in neighborhood association
Restaurants	Not enough places to walk to	Get more community involvement	
Old residents-stability	Residents needs skills/training		
La Mesa Community Improvement Association	Property crime		
Talin	Lack of good jobs		
East Central	Car dealerships encroach on residential streets		
Ministries	Noise		
Open to immigrants			
Fairgrounds	Traffic		
Location	No landscaping		
Public transportation	Too many car dealerships/car carriers		
	No neighborhood involvement		
	Too many weeds		
	Louisiana from Central to Lomas-businesses and streetscape isn't cohesive		

# South San

## Pedro & Elder

### Homestead

Strengths	Weaknesses	Opportunities	Challenges
People	lack of parks more parks needed improve current parks Emerson park was decreased in size	Linkages bike-ped on	Large empty shopping
Location	maintain Wilson park Lack of connection between owners and	Kathryn Definable, safe bike and ped places	center vacant underutilized property
close to UNM	Absentee landlords no accountability	Decrease speed on San Mateo to get a better street	R-3 zoning
Good access	lack of walkability	More mixed income residents	too much commercial zoning
Existing Infrastructure	lack of sense of place- no wayfinding- lack of identity	feels urban	speeding on San
Close to Sandia and Kirtland	biking hard to go east after San Mateo - San Mateo and Zuni worst-	Condos instead of apartments	Pedro wasting water-
Historical buildings	Kathryn Bike route stops	San Mateo Mixed use, also Zuni, Gibson and San Pedro	landscaping
Support for residents	Increase in Homelessness	Build Neighborhood pride	
Ethnic Restaurants	Speeding San Mateo	Empty shopping center on San Mateo, vacant, underutilized	
Parks	should not be 40 mph Lack of lighting on San Pablo	property Commercial could be residential	
Schools -could be improved but are close		Neighborhood clean up- more trash cans	

City like feel	Not enough 4 way stops	Better water management
Transit	too many apartments	local coffee shop
	Zuni , Bell, north of Kathryn	
Young people	Zoning does not reflect land use- single	More community gardens- Vacant lot at Southern and Kathryn landscaping opportunity for pedestrains and gardens
Some landlords do maintain property	famiily zoned R-3 Imbalance- low income lack of home	Park and playgrounds should be multi-age Vacant lot on Alvarado could be a park community garden
		space at Women Earn Wall space for murals and mosaics get rid of murals Kathryn walking bike path connects to schools more police attention
		more lighting especially in high crime areas,good design that complies with night sky ord. Community involvemnet-reporting Events that encourage involvement- get to know neighbors

**Trumbull**

**Strengths**

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people	Lighting can not see if crime occurs	Need a landlord/tenant co-op	Lack of community involvement
families	Absentee landlords- trash collection and large items are a problem - tenants don't	Work together to deal with landlord	Getting landlords to
schools - Van Buren	good information Trailer Parks are run down - not maintained	issues Language school for credit ( at Cesar Chavez) International- Chinese/Japanese	assume responsibility No visible results from process- tired of community participation with no results
Churches	APD not involved in	Resources more Accessible- social	Zoning enforcement /code enforcement
Community Center -	the community Central is messy- San	services Speak with property owner re: unsafe sidewalks – fix sidewalks	issues Investment throughout the community
Cesar Chavez Temples	Pedro to Wyoming Fairgrounds are rundown	Beautify medians	
Healthcare	Old AMC bar - fence is down	Phil Chacon Park is underused/ underdeveloped	
Location- close to resources- Base, Airport , Downtown Bus System	Lack of code enforcement Highland students can't take Chinese at HHS		
Extra Trash pick up	County case management has closed cases – not enough case managers- people need help and are not getting it		
Neighborhood Association	Medians		

MRA Designation  
 McDonalds at  
 Wisconsin needs  
 improvement  
 Unsafe sidewalks  
 Speeding  
 Cut through traffic  
 Pan handling  
 Underused commercial land

**Fair West**

**Strengths**

Neighbors

**Weaknesses**

**Opportunities**

**Challenges**

Central Location

Fairgrounds

small

Long term Residents

Mature trees

Diverse

Area could use  
 General Practitioner  
 (doctor)  
 Orthodontist  
 Coffee shop  
 Fair grounds as large  
 public green space

Work on area identity

Cultural food options

Services that reflect  
 what residents need  
 and draw outsiders

into the area  
 Small area could mean  
 that everything is  
 within walking

distance  
 Recruit business that  
 works for the

neighborhood  
 Restructure the Flea  
 Market add green  
 space

How to bring in

business- Wal-Mart

is a huge competitor

Perception Change

Getting across  
 Lomas is difficult-  
 need better  
 connections

Arterials  
 State budget and how  
 it impacts the

Fairgrounds  
 Perception that south  
 and east of the Fair

West NA is unsafe

need to bridge  
 Information about  
 existing business

Transportation	Use 1 % for the arts funding for the wall along San Pedro (Fairgrounds)	What is area identity
Flea market and		Define the district
African American	Build on existing interest in walking develop better trails Bike trails Make connections to existing trail	
Performing arts	Copper as bike blvd Link through fair ground	
Center Round abouts		Improvements on Copper to create wider sidewalks, landscaping Zia and Palomas has
Easy access to  shopping Kids Close to UNM and		illegal dumping Uneven Sidewalks Too Many Car Dealerships Tester drivers in the neighborhood Speeding to get cars back to the dealer Rude
Nob Hill but cheaper Public Transportation		Predatory lenders- should have more education about how they work Too many businesses
Kids feel safe- ride  bikes in the street Pet walkers Office  walkers		are closed South of Central seen  as a bad influence

El Mesquite

Motels, situation is improved, many function as short term apartments

Mixture of Business

Through traffic on Alvarado near the park is a problem

Places for kids

San Mateo and Lomas

Schools- Zia,

difficult to cross Vagrants Sleeping in bushes

Jefferson, AHS and

Defecating in bushes Sleeping in park Using sprinklers as shower

Highland Restaurants

South of Copper Run down Apartments Land Lords do not maintain Gun shots

Lack of walkability on Central and San Pedro Prostitutes Cars on Central bothering people at bus stops