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Project Background

San Antonio for Growth on the Eastside (SAGE) has received a $2 million planning grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation to study how San Antonio's Eastside can be reconnected after being historically divided by highways. The goal of this project, **Eastside Unites**, is to partner with community members to re-imagine highways as safe, attractive, and easy to cross.

Take The Community Questionnaire!

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Your input will impact design priorities.



Reflecting Histories & Re-Imagining Futures

The Eastside has historically been home to culturally diverse communities primarily of Black, Mexican American and immigrant residents. Mid-century construction of IH-10, IH-35, and IH-37 highways displaced families and businesses. **Eastside Unites** invites people to honor legacies by co-creating futures along the highways. The project invites people to use design to address past harms, existing realities and build lasting connections.

Connected With Other Efforts

Eastside Unites builds on the ideas and community input from past and current planning efforts. Residents, businesses, and partners have already shared their priorities through these efforts, and **Eastside Unites** will carry that work forward rather than repeat it.

Learning From You

Your experience living, working, and moving through the Eastside is exactly what this project needs. No planning expertise required — just your honest perspective on what these corridors feel like today and what you want them to become.

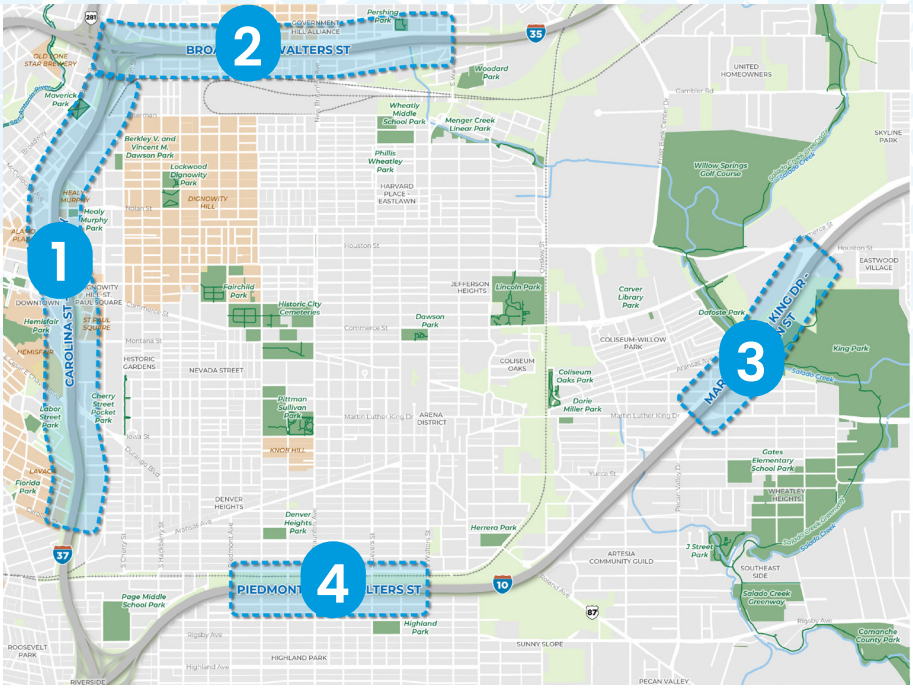
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Study Areas

Eastside Unites focuses on four study areas.

Study Area 1: IH-37 from Carolina St. to Broadway St.

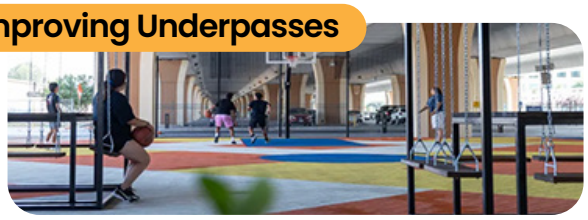
Study Area 2: IH-35 from Broadway St. to Walters St.

Study Area 3: IH-10 from MLK Dr. to Houston St.

Study Area 4: IH-10 from Piedmont St. to Walters St

Eastside Unites is exploring different types of improvements.

Improving Underpasses



Transforming existing underpasses with brighter lighting, public art, wider sidewalks, and landscaping so they feel welcoming instead of dark or unsafe.

Improving Highways Paths



Upgrading existing bridges or adding new bridges over the highway with wide sidewalks, protected bike lanes, shade trees, and barriers that separate people from traffic, so it's safer and more comfortable to get across.

Capping



Building a deck over the highway to create new parks, plazas, or community space on top, while traffic continues underneath.

Burying



Lowering the highway below street level or into a tunnel, freeing up land above to reconnect streets and neighborhoods.

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