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Dear Ms Sarah Voss,

My name is Robert Gonzales. I am a resident of Vizcaya Apartments, St. Francis and Sawmill Road.

We lived here since 2017. I used to walk across the arroyo to the grocery store. That foot trail is not maintained; there is no sidewalk adjacent to St. Francis between Sawmill and Zia Road. We lost scheduled bus access due to COVID19 in 2020. Bus service was restored (Route 6) on an on-demand a few years ago - that service is not reliable.

I started contacting our city council person after the erosion made walking across the arroyo dangerous. I am now 78 years old and although, I am a Vietnam era veteran, I am afraid to fall. I do take advantage of Santa Fe Ride senior service; but, rides are not always available. I do not own a car.

Is there anything that your organization can do to improve cross arroyo pedestrian access?

Steps, handrail and a more gradual slope would be a godsend, especially during the winter months. I am not the only person that would benefit.

Respectively yours,

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