

## 2024 National Community Survey - Los Alamos County

### Thinking about the next few years, what is ONE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT you would like the County to pursue?

(2024 Verbatim Responses - Statistical Sample)

1	-
2	Full Size Dog Park
3	more businesses
4	?
5	A multi use recreational facility for adult sports (roller derby)
6	A pedestrian/bicycle bridge over Pueblo Canyon connecting North Mesa to town
7	Abandoned buildings management
8	Acquire more open space that remains open/unused space
9	Additional vehicle capacity through downtown Los Alamos to accommodate increased LANL vehicle traffic.
10	Address empty and derelict properties.
11	Addressing rush hour traffic, this is a community issue not a lab issue
12	Affordability, availability, and appearance of downtown business district. Needs to be brought into the 21st century! Needs to show preference to small business, not increasing office space--at any cost--for Lab!
13	Affordable Broadband, community-owned
14	affordable housing
15	Affordable housing
16	Affordable housing
17	affordable housing
18	Affordable housing
19	Affordable housing for seniors
20	Affordable housing, secondly Medical services.
21	Affordable mixed housing
22	Although it's a state highway, renovation of State Rt 4 with a bike lane
23	Attract more business with lower rent
24	Be more contractor and residential friendly. I know it's not capital. But LA County is so hard to work with, contractors do not want to work up here driving up costs for improvements for those that do want to deal with the county.
25	Bear proof trash cans
26	Better housing opportunities for low income families and households
27	Better parks upgrade/expansion plan. Revitalization of ALL existing parks with upgraded amenities, toys, etc.
28	Better protected bike lanes / pedestrian paths throughout town.
29	Better protection for bikers....there are many points where bike lanes are pinched off or bikers have to cross lanes of traffic. I'd like to see more and better bike infrastructure.
30	Better roads, especially on Pajarito(?) Rd. This is the worst road in Los Alamos County.
31	better shopping
32	Better traffic flow
33	Bike lanes everywhere
34	Bike paths
35	Biking infrastructure to get safely to Lab property
36	BMX track
37	Bridge over Rio Grande south of White Rock.
38	Bring in businesses to fill the 90+% of the empty buildings. Be nice to people that move here. Don't have the police pull over everyone going 28 in a 25. Pay attention to things stolen from houses, garages, and cars.
39	broadband
40	Broadband
41	Broadband
42	Broadband
43	Broadband
44	Build a recreation center with an indoor ice rink. Too late for our three kids, but still needed. Bulldoze the old unoccupied buildings downtown.
45	Build a walkable, mixed-use, transit-oriented dense housing development in the abandoned lots in downtown
46	Build an outdoor pool
47	Build downtown
48	Building of Hilltop House open space and adjacent commercial land
49	Bury power lines
50	bury power transmission lines so Los Alamos doesn't lose power during weather events
51	Buy and Develop old hotel lot at entrance to town as welcoming green space with trees , flowering shrubs, a large water feature and history related sculpture.
52	Buy old CB Fox building and turn it into viable commercial spaces to help revitalize downtown
53	Buy old smiths and do something good with it
54	Campaigning for more businesses to come into Los Alamos County so we do not have to shop "off" the hill so much.
55	central hub for all social services/non-profits in Los Alamos
56	Change of leadership building code enforcement office
57	change our major downtown roads back to four lanes

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58	Cheaper housing.
59	Clean up or get rid of empty ugly structures.
60	Clean water
61	commerce ie better resturants and affordable housing
62	Commercial development in Los Alamos downtown district. And getting abandoned buildings fixed up with new businesses. It's ridiculous that there's empty buildings everywhere.
63	Community Broadband
64	Community broadband would be nice.
65	Community Center with Fitness and Recreation, and Business Incubator Spaces
66	Convert from carbon to renewable fuels in buildings, transportation and utilities
67	Convert most of the airport property into a mobile home park (with just a heliport).
68	county land should be updated for fire prevention (thinning, small burns, etc.)
69	County needs to work WITH new businesses wanting to come to Los Alamos County. Need more restaurants that are open on the weekend for those is us that live/visit here.
70	Create a downtown area for shopping, store,amenities, restaurants with low rent so that local businesses can open, thrive and stay in our community without the huge financial burden of unpredictable/high rents for small profit businesses.
71	Dedicated bike path (not a bike lane on the road) to get up the caldera
72	Dedicated mountain bike trails around town
73	dedicated pickle ball courts in white rock
74	Develop indoor rollerskating rink, not ice.
75	Developing and supporting downtown. As it stands more and more businesses leave and nothing replaces them, turning more and more of the county into an abandoned ghosttown.
76	development of businesses in White Rock
77	Do something useful with the golf course like a housing development.
78	Do something with Old Smiths/MerriMac shopping center property.
79	Do something with the old Mari-Mac shopping center. Get some good retail shopping that the business owners can afford to rent/buy.
80	Do something with the old Smith's and shopping district and find something to go into the CB Fox building. We need more shopping businesses.
81	Don't know
82	Down town
83	Downtown development with more and new stores and restaurants.
84	Downtown full of various stores/businesses that are welcomed, helped and supported by the county
85	Downtown infill for right sized business space options
86	Downtown is the face of town, and now it's in a sad condition due to the abandoned buildings at the site of Former Smith plaza, Fox store, and Hittlop Hotel. They really are should be the main focus for the economic development.
87	Downtown Los Alamos has several completely empty buildings that are remaining empty either due to codes and regulations and/or extremely high rents. Subsidizing rents on these spaces to make more community centers or especially places for younger children and teenage students to have fun is essential. There is a mental health crisis facing young people across the country, but this is especially bad in Los Alamos due to a lack of safe third spaces for kids and teens to hang out aside from the Teen Center (they go directly from home to school and back, unless they are extremely young in which case there is Steamlab), and with high pressure from parents and schools to have high performance, there are not any major places for teens to de-stress. Turning one of the larger downtown building spaces into some sort of bowling alley/arcade/laser tag arena I think would be hugely beneficial to this younger population. Additionally, large-scale low-income housing complexes and apartments are desperately needed for people who do not work at LANL or LANL's subcontractors, and we're seeing massive understaffing problems at the local Smith's marketplace and many fast food/restaurant workers because they cannot afford to live in Los Alamos County.
88	Downtown revitalization
89	Downtown revitalization
90	Economic development
91	Electrical infrastructure and energy storage.
92	Energy storage
93	Expand infrastructure for reclaimed water so it can be used by more irrigators
94	expanded bike/walking trails
95	Expanding Senior Center
96	Fast speed broadband
97	Fiber optic broadband internet
98	Fiber to the home internet
99	Finish golf course
100	Fix downtown roads
101	fix infrastructure
102	Fix my street/sidewalks. Already on the schedule for 2025
103	Fix streets and sidewalks in older neighborhoods.
104	Fix the freakin' utilities infrastructure!!!

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105	Fix the roads
106	Flow of traffic on Trinity Dr
107	Forget Solar Power as a source of electricity. If the county was real serious about long term reliable power they would build a local Nuclear power plant. Solve all the county problems and be self sufficient.
108	Free/low cost high-speed fiber internet to all residences
109	Get a police department that is not so corrupt
110	Get rid of the bottleneck at the junction of Trinity, Central and 4th
111	Get the budget under control
112	Get the main roads (Trinity, Central, Canyon, Diamond) fixed so that traffic flows are not so fragile.
113	Getting a Target or Costco
114	have other major business/employers besides LANL
115	Homes
116	Housing
117	Housing (not just affordable but rent controlled families can't afford to live because landlords are getting 1,000 per room for short term employees of the lab)
118	Housing and business diversity! Mixed zoning!
119	Housing and moving alternatives to cars
120	Housing for new LANL employees
121	Housing for new LANL employees.
122	Housing without crowding the mesas
123	How about getting rid of the bureaucratic hurdles for businesses. This is not a friendly place to start a business. How long did Laura Curcet get delayed to open her new restraint? Too long is the answer. The county does not care about businesses. Furthermore the bureaucratic nightmare created by county regulations is not friendly for business, Finally most of the people who make decisions about businesses do not have a stake in the community because they do not live here but the county counsel created the mountains of paperwork to discourage business growth.You have overtaken LANL as the biggest bureaucracy in northern NM.If it was not for online shopping I am not sure how we wolf get anything. By the way your not getting GRT \$ from these purchases as the state is.
124	I don't have any ideas for capital improvement projects. Seems like we have enough stuff for the most part.
125	I don't know
126	I don't know.
127	I think that a construction of a more mixed use zone of development could help the housing and lack of business in town.
128	I think the county should have a written guideline that home owners or others can follow in their effort to make or get improvements to new or existing property, such as home improvement or business establishment. This should include what has to be done, a step by step guide, to get projects approved by county inspectors. This should include inspections by every department or entity involved. Such as Fire Department or State inspectors such as gas, water or electric. In the past it has been very frustrating for residents to think they have completed requirements only to be told that they need to have something inspected or approved by someone else or that they need to do something different to pass inspection.
129	I would like to see highway 4 repaved.
130	I would like to see the county provide a place for our youth (a youth center) in white rock. There is nothing for youngsters to do here so they are dying from drug overdoses and suicides
131	I would love to see improved bike lanes so that bicyclists can be safe.
132	Ice rink chiller and cover
133	Ice rink cover and a rec center like durnago colorado
134	I'd like to see energy storage installed in Los Alamos to encourage solar and prepare our grid for EVs
135	I'd like to see the development of a professionally generated trail master plan to maximize the utility of the open space opportunities, and see professional trail building and maintenance. If the city can spend that much on a golf course for a few people building a high quality trail system should be an option.
136	Improve downtown. Vacant properties entering town. Revitalize and improve.
137	Improve electric grid and capacity so that we can reduce reliance on natural gas and reduce the cost to residents of electric.
138	Improve housing
139	Improve pedestrian/bicycling infrastructure
140	Improve retail.
141	Improve softball/baseball fields!!
142	Improve State4 from White Rock to truck route
143	Improve surface condition of road into White Rock
144	Improve walking trail system inside White Rock—wayfinding/signage etc
145	Improved off street bus stop at SALA events center with continuation of downtown improvements all the way to PEEC
146	Improved on and off-road bicycle infrastructure
147	Improvements/ additions/ updates to county parks and recreation properties, facilities, and trails.
148	Improving and use of empty business spaces, or at least removal of buildings that are unsafe or to expensive for businesses to occupy.
149	Improving county playing fields for kids sports
150	Improving ev charging infrastructure

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151	Improving internet access and speed. For a city that plumes itself on high-tech and science, 3 mbps on a computer is really pathetic.
152	Improving the electrical power infrastructure
153	Improving traffic flow: fewer stop lights and more traffic circles.
154	incentivize small businesses in Los Alamos. too many permits, barrier of entry is too high.
155	Increase / replace businesses near the old Smith's building. We've lost several nice restaurants and businesses in that area.
156	Increase in affordable housing that isn't tied to income. Too many people cannot afford a home in our community but make too much for "affordable housing". I have heard of many people who turned down employment in the county due to lack of housing.
157	Increased low cost high density housing, businesses will follow if there is a workforce available
158	Indoor athletic facility available to public
159	Indoor ice arena
160	indoor recreational facility in White Rock
161	infrastructure
162	Infrastructure
163	infrastructure - utilities and roadways
164	Infrastructure Improvements
165	infrastructure- the roads cannot handle the lab traffic.
166	installing two hydrogen turbines locally.
167	Introduce an exorbitant punitive tax on disused business property to disincentivize the artificial inflation of real estate portfolio value to the detriment of the community. The old abandoned McDonalds/Time Out Pizza building in White Rock is not worth the million dollars it has been priced at. The business district in White Rock has been fallow so long that it is being reclaimed by nature. These properties need to be pried out of idle hands.
168	Keeping up with maintenance of existing facilities
169	Larger public meeting/gathering space for both public and private use.
170	Lightening rods on libraries and senior centers
171	Local solar arrays
172	Los Alamos Area splash pad.
173	Low income housing has failed to be successful in Los Alamos County.
174	Lower Housing Prices
175	Maintain and ensure the integrity of existing streets and utility infrastructure. Stop adding and expanding facilities.
176	maintain existing infrastructure
177	Maintain quality of trails and open space
178	Maintain what we have
179	Maintaining/upkeep/repair of roads.
180	Maintenance and upgrade of overlook park.
181	make good use of abandoned business buildings
182	Make it easier for new businesses to come and want to remodel and open new places!!!!
183	Make it easier for residents to use solar power
184	Make sure something gets done SOON about the embarrassing mess at the town entrance (former Hilltop and MeriMac areas)
185	Make the playgrounds better. Smaller towns have such better parks, ours are horrid in comparison
186	Make Trinity 4 lanes again.
187	Manage abandoned buildings
188	Manage the traffic that comes up here daily, speeding, refusing to allow cars from my neighborhood to enter traffic.
189	Many of the road surfaces in Los Alamos are in terrible condition with deep potholes. In my neighborhood (Ponderosa Estates) we veer around the failing asphalt to get out to Range Road. Sometimes the potholes get a temporary fix that lasts a few months. Some areas receive small repairs. We need to spend more resources on road repaving throughout the County. Thank you.
190	Mari Mac Shopping Center Redevelopment
191	Mejorar las oportunidades para ecidentes latinoamericanos dentro de los trabajos públicos
192	Mixed purpose zoning (commercial and housing)
193	More affordable housing. If you don't work for the lab, good luck being able to afford a home. And even if you do, entry level doesn't pay enough. Some landlords seem to have gotten greedy. I see so many homes for high rent, and zero updates. Also would like to add, the lab takes forever to hire. Which is hard on people relocating to here. It's 2024 it should not take 3+months to hire.
194	More available housing for the elderly with travel accessibility.
195	more bicycle lanes, in particular at end of North Mesa
196	More business opportunities
197	More businesses that we can use.
198	more housing
199	More pickleball courts, Leave the perks that we have alone don't try to reduce the number of parks that are in our community!!
200	More public activity/meeting spaces to be shared by all age groups
201	More restaurant choices
202	More vehicle charging stations and the upgraded infrastructure to support it.
203	Mountain Bike flow trail down Pueblo Canyon

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204	mountain biking flow course
205	Mountain biking flow trail from Bayo Canyon to roundabout
206	N/A
207	N/A
208	NA
209	Need a department store badly.
210	Need more data to make a decision.
211	No Capital Improvement Project
212	NO capital improvements. Focus on reducing spending and taxes.
213	No idea. I guess I'm not very involved in my community and I wonder why I always get selected for surveys.
214	No more building of houses. Protect our water reservoirs for future years.
215	No se
216	None
217	none - they have already wasted enough money on capital improvement projects
218	None.
219	None. I am worried that changes in NMGR collection will be the end of big easy county budgets. Now is the time to start slowly trimming county budgets, so we avoid a massive shock. That said, any capital improvement that can attract new and diverse private sector business would be good. I just don't know what that might be specifically.
220	None; county spends money poorly on capital improvements (mostly on special interest improvements or even on projects specifically rejected by voters); instead, invest in infrastructure improvements
221	North Mesa infrastructure for housing
222	Not capital improvement but the county is not ready for the number of new residences
223	Not sure what the are right now.
224	NOT the golf course or ice rink. They've had too much priority.
225	Nothing
226	nothing - maintain what we have instead
227	NOTHING RELATED TO THE GOLF COURSE! Our ball fields are in massive need of attention, between irrigation issues and pests, they have become virtually unusable and dangerous! Selfishly I would like to see some improvements to the north mesa stable area by the old bmx track, the circle track area would be nice to see a new park with a proper grass field, some gazebos, something. Currently, it is a massive wasted opportunity.
228	Omega bridge
229	Paint hospital something other than depressing gov brown
230	Path lighting around the pond, unbelievable it wasn't included whencounty redid pond.
231	Pickle Ball Courts complex
232	Pickleball courts
233	Plant trees in the easements in front of all of the empty businesses. They are private so the county can't tear them down but maybe we can hide them from sight.
234	preservation/expansion of our open spaces & trails
235	Preserving Natural Spaces and Green Space
236	Project Intake & Prioritization Process. The County has too many obligations and no strategy to complete them all.
237	Protected bike lane or separated bike trail on SR4 and Jemez Road
238	Provide access to the Los Alamos Reservoir! A whole generation has lost out on this resource.
239	Provide significantly more attractive options for safe and entertaining areas where teens can relax and socialize.
240	Public high speed Internet
241	Public outdoor pool at the golf course
242	QUALITY senior assisted living!
243	Real White Rock improvements, not the rehash of what the community has been asking for years!
244	Rebuild STATE ROAD 4! Banelier to East Jemez road suitable for bike traffic.
245	Rebuild/modernize the stadium seating (covered) at the rodeo grounds. Also, as the past has proven, the County pushes through whatever improvement project they wish with a total disregard for community input, results from expensive bond elections, etc. The most recent being the golf course and the Leisure Lagoon. The county can afford to scam the community based on the large amount of cash it gets from LANL.
246	recreation
247	Recreation for all ages
248	Rectify the old Smith's Store area disaster which has been a black mark on the town for too many years!
249	Redevelop a consolidated downtown and return the remaining land to housing.
250	Remove the horse stables
251	Removing or renovating abandoned commercial buildings, and providing better opportunities for new business.
252	Renew/replace utility infrastructure
253	Repair roads and sidewalks
254	Repair streets & sidewalks, clean sidewalks. I bike & hike/walk a lot & sidewalk maintenance/tree trimming is poor in many places, even downtown off of major roads.
255	Repair/re-pave Hwy4 between White rock and the truck route with bike lane and shoulders!

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256	repairing overlook fields
257	repave central avenue
258	Repaving Highway 4. Town to Truck route
259	Repaving hwy 4 into White Rock
260	repaving NM4 between White Rock and NM502
261	replace old utility infrastructure
262	Residential roads, side walks, and street lights.
263	Restaurant and Small Business development
264	Resurface route 4 to White Rock
265	Resurface Rte 4 from ER to Truck Rte
266	Retail development
267	Retaining quality retail and dining businesses in town
268	Revitalization of downtown with a focus on walkable public spaces and affordable commercial spaces for new restaurants, stores, maker spaces, and community-focused endeavors
269	Revitalization of downtown, businesses, restaurants, allowing businesses to start without a constantly giving them roadblocks. We NEED Central to be revitalized. New shops, cafe's, restaurants. OK to put housing above these businesses, but we NEED some community. Walking down Central is depressing. The old Safeway/Bealls location, again shops, restaurants. Where Metzgers was just torn down PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE do not put in UGLY and awful apartments like the ones on Arkansas Street, the ones behind the hospital. SO ULGY and awful. They are a real disgrace to our beautiful town. NO HIGH RISE. Paint the natural colors of the landscape NOT MUSTARD YELLOW and KETCHUP RED-- they are SO out of place in our beautiful town. I was raised in Los Alamos, left for 30 years and came back. I love Los Alamos, I am SO SO SO SAD to see what the county officials have let happen in our town.
270	Revitalization of White Rock commercial area
271	Revitalize ALL of our sports fields and parks.
272	Revitalize downtown
273	Revitalize Los Alamos reservoir for fishing and day use
274	Revitalize the airport.
275	Revitalized Mari Mac property
276	Revitalizing Central Avenue
277	Revitalizing downtown area
278	Revitalizing downtown.
279	Revitalizing the downtown
280	Road improvements and maintenance
281	Road improvement--way too many potholes and bumps. Have you driven on Fairway??
282	Road maintainence.
283	roads between townsite and White Rock
284	Safe and usable trail connection between White Rock and the townsite
285	Safer roads for people not cars (protected bike lanes, curb extensions, traffic enforcement, public transit...)
286	Safety issues regarding the activities of the Lab
287	Say "NO" to proposals for zip lines, bicycle flow trails and other intrusions on our own safe, naturally beautiful, and well maintained trail system. Say "YES" to improvements at the skating rink.
288	Securing the rocks on the main hill road
289	Sheesh!! Haven't you guys wasted enough money on capital projects already??? Your hubris knows no bounds.
290	Shopping
291	Snow making at Pajarito
292	Solar power project
293	Something to do for 18-20 year olds.
294	Spaces for small businesses
295	state road 4 improvement
296	Stop natural gas service countywide and help current users move to renewable energy.
297	Straighten longwood
298	Street and sidewalk repair
299	Support and encouragement for small businesses that cater to the community as a whole. This would include support and encouragement for living wages for staffing, local businesses that could actually support members of the community to work and live in town.
300	Take better care of existing facilities
301	Tennis and pickleball complex
302	Tennis facility
303	The dual-use rec center that almost passed in the past: indoor ice rink with the option to convert to other uses during the year. My town had that growing up and it was heavily used. I was shocked that didn't pass.
304	The new apartments are ugly and kill the view of the canyon, please don't build more of them on the cliffs
305	This county has way too many signs. Many should be removed. It's not a good look for this beautiful town.
306	Town centers with apartments over businesses

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307	Traffic reducing during commute
308	Trail development
309	Trails (and bike lanes) for all users-maintain, build, improve. For horses, bikes, pedestrians.
310	Transit Center in town and in White Rock, and weekend bus service within County
311	Transition County and School District to electric Vehicles and solar power to reduce operating costs.
312	Transportation improvements: elderly/disabled appointments, Uber or Taxi services, transportation for hardship: cancer or other treatments for example. How do we get to Santa Fe if we are ill?
313	Turning the reservoir into an attractive, accessible, public recreation and picnic area (in partnership with SF Natl Forest)
314	Undergrounding utilities in the entire community for aesthetics and more, wildfire safety.
315	unsure
316	Update aquatics center
317	upgrade aging waterlines
318	upgrade of electrical utilities
319	Upgrade sewer systems
320	Upgrade water utilities/pipe infrastructure that is old
321	upgrade water/sewer/gas infrastructure
322	Use of vacant land and buildings
323	utilities infrastructure including broadband
324	Utilities infrastructure upgrades to address deferred maintenance and accommodate higher residential densities.
325	Utility AND property taxes are too high if we have budget excess
326	Utility infrastructure for our aging water, sewer, gas, and electrical lines.
327	Utility upgrades, in particular bury electrical lines to help with storm related power outages.
328	Vacant business buildings throughout the downtown area are a disgrace. Economic development and support of small business in Los Alamos is a county council failure.
329	very fast broadband
330	Water improvement in all areas that were not completed after that fire that were promised. Several neighborhoods were "left out" because the county did not finish the improvements due to lack of funding or poor management of funds.
331	Water line to ski area
332	We need a large recreational facility together jointly with the schools, YMCA and County that can host a variety of activities like basketball/volleyball/misc indoor sport leagues, pickleball, walking track, exercise classes, community meeting spaces, etc.
333	We need more starter homes and affordable apartments.
334	White Rock commercial development
335	White Rock needs some attention in all aspects
336	Work w/ LANL & DOE to build another road off the hill toward Santa Fe. Issue here since 1949!!!!

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**Please provide ONE suggestion on how we can improve the Los Alamos Now app:**

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- 1 Add a "constructive suggestion" box option to this
- 2 Bettwr link to the library.
- 3 Bill Payment
- 4 Do not require a sign in step
- 5 Don't use it enough to know
- 6 Have recurring payment info linked to customer ID#'s as in many other apps where payments are made continuously. The current system (payment is, I believe) is pretty basic & antiquated, not customer friendly as many others that I have used.
- 7 Haven't used it enough to provide suggestion
- 8 I don't know, I like it. Convenient.
- 9 Improvements sometimes aren't. Leave it alone. It works as is.
- 10 Include easier access to daily activities and events
- 11 It's OK now
- 12 It's pretty nice
- 13 Just downloaded and explored. Looks good!
- 14 Keep content up to date
- 15 Keep it up!
- 16 looks good to me
- 17 Menu
- 18 Please have a log in to the LA Now app and not a log in for each sub apps, such as utilities usage portal.
- 19 Replace links to web pages with simple answers instead
- 20 Should have list of events and notices
- 21 think more about what residents need to get information about, vs how the county government is organized



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- 1 A better hospital!!!! A community owned, not for profit healthcare center. Our current healthcare choices are a PITIFUL shame when considering how completely awesome this community is.
- 2 A Cultural Arts Center (performing; visual; hands-on). We've been trying for 70 years -- it's never a priority. This would engage young people with activities. This would attract visitors (like the Santa Fe Opera House that showcases and expands summer shows, visitation and activity) -- ours could be year-round. It brings in dollars and supports local businesses. It should be a gathering place for local residents, a teaching-the-arts place for kids and a show-piece to visitors. It should be at the entrance to town for convenience of visitors and White Rock residents.
- 3 A new route in and out of the county
- 4 A nice wide hiking/walking/biking paved path around los alamos connecting with white rock
- 5 Add back all the lanes you took out and add more. Stop limiting vehicle traffic. Design roadways that support around town and egress from town.
- 6 Add bike lanes to the 4
- 7 Adding stop signs to central around the park instead of pedestrian signs. Cars don't stop. Cars also nonstop run the trinity/oppenheimer light.
- 8 Additional bus drivers to increase frequency of busses and increase ridership
- 9 Affordable housing
- 10 Affordable housing
- 11 Affordable Housing
- 12 ALL NEW COUNTY COUNCIL
- 13 Allowing more businesses to open
- 14 Alternate route off the hill
- 15 Another neighborhood
- 16 Better playgrounds for the kids
- 17 better public transportation
- 18 Bike path from north community to downtown
- 19 Biking trail
- 20 Bringing shopping more food options to downtown
- 21 Broadband
- 22 Broadband for all
- 23 Broadband service
- 24 build a foot bridge across Trinity near Ashley Pond (like the ones near the high school)
- 25 Build an Innovation Hub or Business Incubator within an Industrial Park on DP Road partnering with UNM-LA (and giving them major space).
- 26 Building AFFORDABLE housing. My fiancé and I both work for the lab and yet buying a home seems unattainable. We don't want to rent for the rest of our lives.
- 27 Building to house social services
- 28 Bury electrical and communication cables
- 29 Bury the utility lines and take down the unsightly poles.
- 30 Capital improvements are being decided well by the county government, keep up the great work, no opinion otherwise
- 31 Community auditorium
- 32 community broadband
- 33 Community Broadband
- 34 Community Broadband Network
- 35 Community center for White Rock like the GCCC in Santa Fe
- 36 Community center with more fitness opportunities
- 37 Convert vacant commercial property to affordable housing use (apartments, townhomes), to include dedicated rental properties for people on 1-2 year assignments at LANL
- 38 County needs to force lab back across the bridge to make housing and business spaces available
- 39 Develop the old CB Fox building and bring in more retail stores!!
- 40 Direct Capital Investment in and subsidy of affordable housing projects in the County
- 41 Diverse, self healing broadband. The entire town shouldn't go down when a dump truck takes out a line in Santa Fe.
- 42 Diversity in small businesses and restaurants to boost local economy and attract tourism. If another bank goes in I will scream.
- 43 Do not know what a capital improvement project is
- 44 Do the daily helicopter trips suggest there are services that the LA Medical Center might be improved to provide broader care? (I don't know what the relationship is between the County and the Medical Center.)
- 45 Don't know
- 46 Don't turn off the gas lines to the Elk Ridge Mobile home area of town.
- 47 Downtown blight
- 48 Downtown business districts
- 49 Downtown community feel in White Rock
- 50 Downtown redevelopment with retail and restaurants, not LANL leases!
- 51 Either knock down empty buildings downtown or move businesses in. Don't let them sit empty.
- 52 Enforce city rules on owners of derelict properties, tow abandoned cars, etc.

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53	ensure clean water
54	fewer empty commercial buildings
55	Fiber to the home broadband service
56	Find a way to reduce or eliminate the chemicals in the water that stain toilets, sinks, tubs and appliances. Reverse osmosis or other solution? One would think with LANL in the community, some engineer would be able to come up with a solution.
57	Finding natural solutions that address and prioritize long-term environmental challenges 🌱 solar solutions, planting trees, etc
58	Finding use for abandoned buildings
59	Fix roads faster
60	Fix the ice rink so it serves the community (cover, parking and bigger facilities)
61	Fix the roads, they stink!
62	Focus on increasing density in an areas where infrastructure already exists and improve the existing infrastructure.
63	Gym at Los Alamos Middle School and housing on North Mesa
64	Gym Space
65	Heated public bathrooms on every mesa and park.
66	I would like the county to focus on making any project less ugly.
67	I would love to see more commercial shopping opportunities in Los Alamos. With the closure of Bealls, CB Fox, and many smaller shops over time (I'm a long time resident and still mourn the demise of the Hobby Shop) there are few places other than Smith's to pick up a gift for a friend, or a new outfit for a party. At least CB Fox had furniture, so that was a plus. I'm older and find it difficult to drive off the hill to shop for things like clothing and furniture.
68	I would prefer the County pursue local solar energy production, so that ownership of the power grid is locally owned and operated.
69	Ice rink improvements.
70	Improve the trails for hiking and biking.
71	Improve Urban and Western area parks with real playgrounds that aren't embarrassingly crappy.
72	Improve water, sewer infrastructure to avoid broken pipes and valves
73	Improved medical facilities
74	Improvement--remove or fill the empty business spaces
75	Indoor tennis courts
76	Invest in a modern grid prepared for residential solar so "the grid can't handle it" will no longer be an excuse
77	Keep the uniqueness of Los Alamos - not every building has to be torn down for the new, all the ugly same looking businesses and residential buildings. Schools and roads are bursting with the influx of people. If they live off the Hill, Lab needs to stress that to new hires and figure out more accommodating times/ways of public transportation. Schools need more resources, staff. Small business need to be welcomed and not made to go through hoops - no eating establishments as well as none open on weekends when tourists visit - hard to promote that aay as well as embarrassing.
78	Kick the Lab out of White Rock and the townsite, and revitalize retail in those areas, instead of enriching slumlords.
79	Less spending on stupid art projects that do not benefit the community as a whole like the stupid mural at the golf course.
80	Maintain quality natural grass fields on North Mesa and Overlook.
81	Make ALL of diamond drive FOUR lanes again. Seriously, why was that ever a good idea?
82	Make use of unused commercial property spaces in town
83	Middle School Teen Center finally
84	More businesses. Stop people from shopping in espanola or Santa fe
85	More grocery stores or businesses
86	More investment in maintenance of golf course, pool, and skating rink.
87	More paved bike trails, not near cars
88	more single family homes
89	More stores
90	More support for small business and Revitalizing downtown
91	More/better space for kids sports
92	Mountain biking flow trail
93	Multi-use apartment buildings downtown
94	Negotiate state road 4 repairs from truck route to Rover Blvd with San Indelphonso Pueblo.
95	Neighborhood park in Ponderosa Estates
96	New Arts and Theater combined space.
97	New development
98	New Ice Rink
99	None
100	None - reduce budget/headcount
101	None. The County should focus on protecting and maintaining what it already has.
102	Now income housing
103	OPEN up Central for Bikes w/o "Bump-outs" and DO NOT pursue a Trinity "road diet"
104	Paving central
105	Place all overhead electrical lines underground.

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- 106 Please have builders make actual affordable housing for single people. Also please encourage current apartment owners to upgrade their buildings and keep rent down. Young people cannot afford to stay in this county any longer. New apartments are \$2500/month? Seriously? The County felt this was a good idea? Shows how out of touch the wealthy people are around here.
- 107 Purchase and upgrade CB Fox Building for retail
- 108 Rebuild the main road to White Rock for auto and bike traffic safety.
- 109 Recreation opportunities including more variety of small businesses that support that for kids and teens (and all ages for that matter)
- 110 Recreation, trails, small businesses
- 111 Recreational opportunities for teens - e.g., BMX track, rec center a la Genoveva Chavez, etc.
- 112 Redevelop either the airport or the golf course for housing - both are money pits serving a minority of the population
- 113 reduce cip funds and lower taxes
- 114 Reducing fire risk through canyons surrounding neighborhoods.
- 115 reliable utilities (including broadband) by upgrading infrastructure and burying electrical and communication cables
- 116 Relocate Transit Center to an area in the downtown
- 117 Renovate old Smith's area to meet new needs. Stop forcing businesses to encounter large renovations without small business aids.
- 118 Repair sidewalks
- 119 Repairing the water lines in White Rock, there has not been a single year that has gone by without multiple water main breaks.
- 120 Replace old infrastructure. My street has pipes put in around 1980. They break and only get repaired.
- 121 Residential/business space
- 122 Revitalize downtown
- 123 Revitalize old cbfox and old smiths!
- 124 Revitalize the Los Alamos Downtown area.
- 125 Revitalize While Rock. Bring back life and strength to our community.
- 126 revitalizing the downtown - businesses and restaurants
- 127 Road expansion into and out of Los Alamos & Housing
- 128 Roads
- 129 Roads
- 130 roof/cover for the ice rink
- 131 RV Parking Lots to get RVs out of residential areas
- 132 shade on north mesa open area near dog park
- 133 Shopping area in White Rock zoned for retail only-no lab rental
- 134 Sidewalks from elk ridge to lab. Kids are going to be killed walking that to school.
- 135 Ski hill water line
- 136 Ski Mountain Fire Water Line
- 137 Small businesses
- 138 Social services hub
- 139 Some real low income housing
- 140 Something done with the old Hilltop House property at the entrance to town
- 141 Start/finish the recreation center by the middle school
- 142 Stop the work on the golf course. Biggest waste of re sources that serves a sliver of the population.
- 143 Stop wasting money on the golf course, create actual affordable housing
- 144 Streets & sidewalks in Denver Steel Area.
- 145 Support existing projects
- 146 Support local businesses and give them the means to grow and thrive
- 147 Tear down buildings that cannot be used so that at least the land is more attractive for sale - and do it more quickly. Lean on those who own the property to get it cleaned up and ready for use. The area coming into town is STILL an eyesore after years!
- 148 The county already has an amazing number of capital improvement projects. I can't think of any new ones.
- 149 There isn't a community without more shops and restaurants — meeting spaces! Los Alamos doesn't have one and White Rock certainly it doesn't have one. It's lonely to live here.
- 150 Time of vacant real estate needs to be filled
- 151 Transit centers in LA and WR
- 152 upgrade broadband infrastructure
- 153 Upgrade White Rock roads and infrastructure like you do Los Alamos. White Rock is forgotten by the county
- 154 Upgrading of electrical infrastructure to permit electrification of homes/businesses and reduce/eliminate natural gas use.
- 155 Use downtown area to bring new businesses
- 156 Use of unused commercial buildings; fill them, tear them down and use for other purposes.
- 157 Walking/hiking/Biking trails/paths
- 158 Waste water monitoring
- 159 Water to ski area
- 160 We need a full-blown community center with a real pool and options for toddlers. Look at literally any city in Colorado as a guide.
- 161 We need more small businesses and shopping

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- 162 We need to invest in Art and Culture- An Art Center, Art Museum, or Performance Space. Recreation is fully funded by LAC (golf, swimming, ice-rink, parks), but the arts are not fully funded. County contracts are not sufficient and the space for the arts is old and needs to be improved. For some people, the arts are recreation and a way to connect with their community. Why are all of the arts (music, theater, art classes, art shows) left out of being fully funded? I feel so sorry for our music organizations who have no space. We have an amazing Big Band, Community Winds, and Los Alamos Symphony, but no real performance space for them to play. I would like more balance in the funding designated for recreation vs. art/culture.
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- 163 White Rock needs more green space and/ or a park
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- 164 Work WITH new restaurants, not against them. There are THOUSANDS of people that live here over the weekend that need a different option than going off the Hill. We need PRIME restaurant opportunities.
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- 165 Work with YMCA for joint recreational facility
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**Please provide ONE suggestion on how we can improve the Los Alamos Now app:**

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1	Ability to raise an issue of any type
2	add content
3	Better and more accurate info on certain parks
4	Easier to find the roll chart & recycling calendar.
5	Have it remember my account numbers so it's faster and easier then to have to enter it every time
6	It would be great if it had more information about the activities going on around town. I would love to see it be more of a "one stop shop" - it might take you to other websites/apps, but I would love to see it actually fulfill it's name: Los Alamos NOW - tell us what is going on NOW (schools, community, how to get a permit for a garage sale with a link....etc.)
7	More divisions for work requests
8	NA
9	NA
10	No suggestions for LA Now. I prefer to use the County's website for all the features provided by LA Now. However, I would really like to see the 'Report Issue' feature readily available on the County's website.
11	None
12	Not sure - I just found it easier to find what I needed on the website.
13	Too many clicks to get anything done.
14	User friendly --
15	When I've tried to submit things it just glitches and doesn't do anything. I've deleted and redownloaded it just doesn't work for me.