

Altadena Visioning Process

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Post-It Notes



In order to capture the key issues and ideas on the mind of each person in the room, participants were asked to write three “treasures,” three “challenges,” and three “visions” on Post-It Notes and place them on the wall. Participants contributed over 900 ideas through this exercise. Facilitators arranged these notes into topic areas and reviewed the topics aloud, reading from some of the notes. Due to the large volume of notes and limited time, facilitators were able to capture only the most prominent themes, but after the workshop team members transcribed the notes and spent additional time categorizing them. Therefore, the topics below are similar to the ones used in the workshop, but with some refinements.

Topics are presented in alphabetical order under the three major headers: Treasures, Challenges, and Visions. Each bullet point is a Post-It Note or a distinct comment from a Post-It Note (e.g. from notes where comments were labeled 1, 2, 3 or were bulleted). Bullet points are repeated under different topics, if more than one topic applies. The notes are provided verbatim, with the following types of edits for readability: spelling corrections, full words for some abbreviations, and addition of dashes or commas to reflect where line breaks on the original note indicated breaks in thought.

Treasures

Treasures are the aspects of Altadena that people value most—the reasons they moved to Altadena and choose to stay.

Architecture & Design

- Built Environment
- Mansions - several old buildings i.e. Farnsworth structures
- Architecture
- New lighting for streets in the community
- Parking + width of some roads
- Architectural diversity
- Architecture
- Historic architecture
- Diverse architecture
- Architecture
- Uniqueness of homes (architecture)
- Beautiful historic architecture of many styles and character
- Unique architecture & design
- Unique character of houses & streets
- Diversity of people, of architecture

Artists & Arts

- Rich in artists
- Altadena is an intellectual, artistic community.
- Artistic - value creativity
- Artists who live here
- Arts
- Creative people: scientists, artists, musicians
- Diverse eclectic arts community

Diversity

- Diversity
- The diversity of Altadena's population
- All colors of peoples!
- Great mix of cultures -> global mix
- Diversity
- Diversity all kinds
- Diversity
- Diversity of people, of architecture
- Racial diversity
- The diversity of a small but powerful community
- Diverse interesting people
- Diverse community
- Multi Ethnic Community
- Social & economic diversity of residents & business
- Diverse community
- Diversity
- Diversity of residents
- Diversity
- Diversity
- Diversity of cultures & thought

- Diversity
- Diverse eclectic arts community
- Multicultural community
- Comfortable racial & economic diversity
- Independent spirit of residents & racially diverse groups

Eclectic & Unique

- Eclecticism of community
- Informal nature of community (for example, do it yourself landscaping)
- The differences; no property is the same
- Eccentrics / diversity of population
- Eclectic mix of people (unique)
- Not cookie-cutter - lots of character
- Non-commercial, non-chain, non-corporate
- Residential mix (on my street)

Freedom & Governance

- Lack of code enforcement
- Not regulated as much as Pasadena
- Freedom
- Unincorporated
- Not as regulated as Pasadena
- Live & let live attitude
- More individual freedom than most communities
- Live & let live attitude
- Freedom from restrictive stifling govt.

History & Historic Buildings/Sites

- History
- Historical data per se
- The historic buildings
- Xmas Lane
- Historical homes
- Christmas Tree Lane
- Xmas Tree Lane
- John Brown's sons gravesite
- Historic homes + stories
- Historic buildings (houses)
- Historical buildings preserved
- History; historical sites + homes
- Historic buildings
- Old houses which give interesting streets

Hometown / Small Town

- Small town feel
- Small town atmosphere
- Small town feel not crowded
- Small town community oriented
- Small town feel
- Altadena is my hometown. I've seen it turn around and what [sic] like to see more changes.
- Small community atmosphere i.e. no overwhelming commercialism

- Eccentrics / diversity of population
- Value so many people walking in the neighborhood + the eclectic mix of people
- Diverse Population
- People: diverse, friendly, neighborly

- Uniqueness of homes (architecture)
- Beautiful historic architecture of many styles and character
- Diverse eclectic arts community
- Unique architecture & design
- Unique character of houses & streets
- Eclectic mix of people (unique)
- Pioneer history (Mt. Lowe Railway, Owen Brown's grave, unique neighborhoods of old Craftsman home and Jane's Village, artist enclaves, etc.)

- Freedom to be different - not too much interference from others (live & let live)
- Independence in governance (not getting ticketed for parking in my yard)
- Quasi local representation thru the Town Council
- The freedom from extra zoning regulations like City of Pasadena
- Unincorporated LA County

- Pioneer history (Mt. Lowe Railway, Owen Brown's grave, unique neighborhoods of old Craftsman home and Jane's Village, artist enclaves, etc.)
- Historic buildings
- History
- Smaller neighborhoods of historic homes
- Historical value
- Historic
- Historic homes
- Historic homes
- Historical - Craftsman homes
- The old houses
- Historic homes & bldgs

- Small town, but close to cities
- Small town feel of the community
- We have a small-town feel
- Small community
- Small town feel
- Simple lifestyle
- Small town feel
- Small town feel
- Rural feel or small town feel

- Quietness + small town
- We have a small-town feel

- Rural "village" feel (atmosphere)

Involvement / Activism

- Independent spirit of residents & racially diverse groups
- Great local news coverage from Altadenablog + Altadena Patch
- Working with others
- Involved community
- The residents are quiet but concern
- Cranky activists

- People who get involved - we need more of them
- The diversity of a small but powerful community
- Well-educated and engaged citizens
- Small town community oriented
- Good neighborhood communications & discussions
- Community support & neighborliness - people lend a helping hand & say hello

Library & Education

- Good library
- Altadena Library
- Altadena Library
- The library is great!
- Library

- Altadena Library
- Library
- Library - heart of the community
- Library
- Education

Local Businesses

- Small family-owned businesses
- Super King - good produce, good prices
- Lake Ave. businesses
- The small businesses (not lots of chains)
- Motivated business owners
- Non-commercial, non-chain, non-corporate
- Local businesses (wish there were more)

- Altadena Ale House / Pub
- My business is located in Altadena
- Local businesses rather than corporate
- Plenty of big stores
- Locally-owned small businesses
- Locally-owned small businesses
- Social & economic diversity of residents & business

Location

- Proximity to city, Pasadena + Downtown (close, yet so far)
- Location - near foothills + JPL
- Location, location, location
- "Remote" from L.A.
- Close to Caltech + JPL
- Views
- Convenience to major cities

- Altadena sits at the apex of an original freeway 110
- Proximity to cultural resources
- Foothill setting
- Small town, but close to cities
- Hillside & seclusion area
- Proximity of urban and nature

Low Traffic

- Ease of taking care of business (not much traffic)
- Low traffic on East Palm St.
- Low traffic on E Palm St.
- Generally not too crowded - no traffic jams

- Mostly local traffic; few big noisy trucks / buses
- Low traffic density
- Low traffic density
- Serene (limited traffic)

Mountains

- Mountains
- Peaceful + mountain view
- Beautiful mountains
- Mountain view - restrict housing dev in the mountains
- Hillside & seclusion area
- Mountains - close to nature
- Access to mountains, trails, nature
- Mountains

- Nature trails / canyons
- Close to mountains
- The mountains / nature
- Mountain views
- Mountain access
- Mountains
- Our mountains
- View of mountains
- Natural hillsides

- Mountains
- The view of the mountains
- Mountain terrain
- Access to mountains
- Proximity to mountains + forest
- Mountains
- Access to mountain trails
- Natural beauty - mountains, trees, fresh air
- Mountains; hills; fresh, clean air
- The hillside above Altadena - the mountains as backdrop
- Mountains (nature)
- Proximity to nature (mountains, forests, etc.)
- Beautiful mountains
- Mountains, hills, free access to trails & nature;

Nature

- Climate + environment
- Biking in the local mountains
- Proximity to spectacular San Gabriel Mts (Angeles National Forest), its wildlife, trails, natural beauty
- Open space
- Dark(er) skies!!
- Close proximity to nature
- Arroyo Seco
- Connection to nature - mature trees, hiking trails, gardens
- Proximity of urban and nature
- Arroyo Seco
- Nature
- Wilderness access
- Access to nature - mountains/trails, parks, etc.
- Close to nature
- Proximity to nature
- Nature areas + trails
- Proximity to National Forest

Neighbors & Neighborhoods

- A welcoming neighborhood, you know your neighbor
- Neighborhood Watch
- Commercial business limited in residential areas
- Good neighbors
- Nice neighborhood
- Residential mix (on my street)
- Unique character of houses & streets
- Friendly neighbors
- Janes Village Homes
- Neighborhoods are friendly & relatively safe
- Affordable interesting housing
- Good neighbors
- Neighbors who know one another

- The Mountains
- Views of mountains
- San Gabriel Mountains
- Mountains
- San Gabriel Mountain
- Mountains
- San Gabriel Mtns
- Proximity to spectacular San Gabriel Mts (Angeles National Forest), its wildlife, trails, natural beauty
- Foothill setting
- Eaton Canyon trails - all trails
- Eaton Canyon
- Echo Mtn Trail
- Natural space; access to the mountains

- Natural environment
- Natural surroundings
- Nature - not overdeveloped
- Nature
- Natural beauty
- Natural space; access to the mountains
- Mountains - close to nature
- The mountains / nature
- Natural beauty - mountains, trees, fresh air
- Mountains (nature)
- Proximity to nature (mountains, forests, etc.)
- Trails/wilderness
- Easy access to nature/trails/hiking
- Rural character of Altadena (dark skies, no sidewalks, no neon street lights)
- Access to mountains, trails, nature
- Nature trails / canyons

- Good neighborhood communications & discussions
- Residential areas remain non-commercial areas
- Residential community to remain a place for single families. No four to five families living together.
- Primarily residential
- Warm, friendly, discreet neighbors
- Sense of neighborhood
- Community support & neighborliness - people lend a helping hand & say hello
- Smaller neighborhoods of historic homes
- Value so many people walking in the neighborhood + the eclectic mix of people
- People: diverse, friendly, neighborly

Parks & Recreation

- Cultural activities
- Value Farnworth Park--space for meeting, sports, music in amphitheater; open in evenings
- Local parks
- Parks
- Local parks
- Loma Alta Park is fantastic - playground, pool, baseball, equestrian, garden, tennis, etc.
- Parks
- Henninger Flats campground

People

- People
- Cranky activists
- Community support & neighborliness - people lend a helping hand & say hello
- Progressive community
- People who get involved - we need more of them
- Elderly population
- People's friendly attitude
- Well-educated and engaged citizens
- People
- Creative people: scientists, artists, musicians

Quiet & Peaceful

- Serene (limited traffic)
- Quiet
- Quiet
- Quietness + small town
- The quietness
- Peaceful & comfortable place to live
- Peaceful
- Peaceful

Rural / Country

- Rural atmosphere
- Rural feel or small town feel
- Rural "village" feel (atmosphere)
- Access to open land
- Low population density
- Agri-friendly
- Feeling of being out in the country
- Semi-rural atmosphere
- Feeling of country
- Low population density

Sense of Community & Safety

- Feeling of community
- Sense of community
- Safety
- A welcoming neighborhood, you know your neighbor
- Neighborhood Watch
- Good neighbors

- Parks
- Parks
- Equestrian facilities
- Parks
- Develop parks for community use
- Pool!!
- Wonderful hiking & outdoor sports
- Greenscape: trails, parks, trees
- Access to nature - mountains/trails, parks, etc.

- Many people have been part of the community for 20+ years which gives a sense of roots
- Togetherness
- People: diverse, friendly, neighborly
- Love
- My family has been Altadena residents since the 1950's
- Eclectic mix of people (unique)
- The residents are quiet but concern
- Altadena is an intellectual, artistic community.

- Quiet
- Value the quiet - don't hear freeway noises - do hear birds in trees, see squirrels
- The quiet nights where we can escape the sounds of the city.
- Peaceful + mountain view
- Hillside & seclusion area

- Maintain green rural nature
- Ability to have certain types of livestock
- Rural feel of Altadena
- Rural
- Local equestrian character: stables, urban farms
- Rural character of Altadena (dark skies, no sidewalks, no neon street lights)
- Low population density
- Equestrian facilities
- Nature - not overdeveloped

- Friendly neighbors
- Neighborhoods are friendly & relatively safe
- Good neighbors
- Neighbors who know one another
- Good neighborhood communications & discussions
- Warm, friendly, discreet neighbors
- Sense of neighborhood

- Community support & neighborliness - people lend a helping hand & say hello

- People: diverse, friendly, neighborly

Trails

- Hiking trails
- Hiking trails
- Wonderful hiking & outdoor sports
- The trails
- Hiking trails
- Trails system
- Hiking trails
- Eaton Canyon trails - all trails
- Mt. Wilson trail
- Walking/hiking trails
- The hiking trails
- Eaton Canyon
- Echo Mtn Trail
- Hiking trails
- Trail access
- Trails
- Trails/wildernees
- Trails, hiking
- Access to the mountain trails

- Chaney trail
- Easy access to nature/trails/hiking
- Biking in the local mountains
- Access to mountains, trails, nature
- Nature trails / canyons
- Wilderness access
- Mountain access
- Access to nature - mountains/trails, parks, etc.
- Nature areas + trails
- I love the trees & hiking
- Access to mountain trails
- Proximity to spectacular San Gabriel Mts (Angeles National Forest), its wildlife, trails, natural beauty
- Connection to nature - mature trees, hiking trails, gardens
- Mountains, hills, free access to trails & nature;
- Greenscape: trails, parks, trees
- Natural space; access to the mountains

Trees & Greenery

- The trees + greenery
- Trees
- Trees
- All the greenery, trees
- Pine trees - protect the pine trees
- Beauty - trees
- Greenery (trees)
- Mature urban landscape - trees
- Lots of trees
- Beautiful trees
- Wooded
- Beautiful trees

- I love the trees & hiking
- Gardens
- Mature trees
- Beautiful trees
- Trees
- The old trees (protect)
- Greenscape: trails, parks, trees
- Oak trees
- Connection to nature - mature trees, hiking trails, gardens
- Maintain green rural nature
- Natural beauty - mountains, trees, fresh air

Challenges

Challenges are issues that people feel are negatively impacting Altadena, or are changes that they feel should be made.

Activities, Parks & Services

- Public tennis facility
- Bring back Old Fashion Days Parade
- Funding more community concerts
- Intercommunity events
- Seniors - things to do
- Community block parties & fairs
- More things for our youth
- Lack of coordinated support for foster kids & kids in group homes (esp. as this affects local schools)

- Loma Alta Park gym needs a weight training room
- More parks & recreation facilities
- Funding for parks & recreation
- Not enough care for our hills and parks
- More cohesion - events with heavy participation from most of community
- One person's complaint can stop communal events from continuing

Affordability & Gentrification

- Lack of reasonably priced child care (love Loma Alta Tiny Tots)
- At risk of gentrifying the community
- Rapid (seeming) gentrification
- Gentrification is a threat to quiet & racial harmony
- Sustainable affordable neighborhoods

Animals

- Service by Pasadena Humane Society (Baldwin Park ignores us + is FAR)
- Animal cruelty
- Animal shelter close to home
- Altadena needs an agreement with Pasadena Human - Baldwin Park is too far and unable to serve us.
- Get qualified and responsive animal care services. Baldwin Park Shelter is far, horrible, and

Business Growth, Support & Attraction

- Altadena lacks vibrant businesses (not big box stores or generic chain fast food, but "indie" cafes, farmer's markets and coffee/tea shops, services, organic food, etc)
- Local, unique, independent businesses - not overly regulated by County
- More support of local businesses
- Make Altadena more attractive to business (family oriented) - not liquor stores
- More community friendly, locally owned businesses
- Assist local businesses, some of whom are struggling
- Business environment
- Need more businesses
- Need more family owned bizness
- Make Altadena more self-sustainable for small businesses. Too many regulations
- Sustainable small businesses
- Lack of services & businesses that would keep Altadenans shopping & spending in Altadena
- Fostering the business community - assisting local businesses
- Vacant businesses and absentee landlords
- Business development - local & long term
- Bringing more relevant businesses without over-commercialization
- Attracting businesses

Community Involvement

- Not allowing small group to stop things that benefit the population as a whole
- Even more opportunities for KIDS to be part of community
- More volunteering by professional individuals and groups
- Cranky activists
- Keeping our young people engaged

- Lack of affordable housing
- Preserve range of income levels - not become all upper middle class
- Rapid gentrification
- We need to be more aware of the less "well off" parts of town

incompetent. Contract with nearby Pasadena Humane Society that serves all communities around Altadena.

- Dump Baldwin Park Animal Shelter, and instead contract with Pasadena Animal Shelter
- Animal shelter
- Animal shelter
- Improve animal shelter
- Difficult for businesses to start up & cut through red tape
- Make it easy for residents to start business
- Bring in selective businesses
- Need more interesting businesses
- Overkill regulation and permitting of small businesses
- Attracting new businesses
- Supporting existing businesses
- Have to go to Pasadena for everything
- Attract businesses by encouraging entrepreneurs
- Supporting small businesses instead of chasing big box retail
- Commercial opportunities lacking
- Viable business & retail
- Business growth & development
- The development of commerce & development / retention of small businesses.
- Help grow small businesses
- Marrying-matching needs of inner communities with commerce
- Commerce
- Make it less expensive to obtain business permits
- County restrictions to small business improvements
- Thriving businesses on Lake Ave & Lincoln Ave
- Restrictions for business expansion (i.e. parking)

- Overcoming citizen inertia
- I would know my neighbors even better - working on projects & having "parties" regularly
- Increase opportunities to volunteer via library etc.
- Inactivity of public in this process
- More meeting like tonight
- Getting community buy-in for changes
- NIMBYism

Cohesion

- Lack of cohesive community vision
- Getting community buy-in for changes
- Cultural & ethnic segregation
- Develop feeling of community
- NIMBYism
- Building community support
- Economic disparities along racial lines
- More cohesion - events with heavy participation from most of community
- Bringing east + west sectors together
- Not well connected / as a community
- East-West split
- One person's complaint can stop communal events from continuing
- Lack of unified voice to call for support & services we need (e.g. Edison response during windstorm, when we needed more help)
- Gentrification is a threat to quiet & racial harmony
- Join the 3 corridors: Lake, Fair Oaks, Lincoln
- Bureaucratic process for change - all the various agencies working together

Commercial Areas

- Plethora of "bad" businesses: liquor stores, pay day loan shops, and failed small businesses such (ephemeral salons for nails, etc)
- Too many churches in commercial areas (not against churches they just have an effect on local businesses)
- Town Center
- Need fewer churches & thrift shops
- Underdeveloped commercial buildings & blight
- Less vacant buildings & parking lots
- Commercial properties
- Loosening restrictions on parking in commercial areas
- Planned shopping district with narrow streets, less traffic
- Better use of commercial areas
- We need a business district
- Regulate commercial development better. Example: Northeast corner of Lincoln - Altadena.
- Poor quality of commercial space
- Rite Aid shopping center (redevelop)
- Lack of commercial space
- No churches, liquor stores, check cashing
- Lack of quality commercial district - poor grocery shopping, lack of restaurants
- Upgrade neighborhood commercial areas
- Create more of a downtown area that promotes walking
- Too many nonprofit organizations versus commercial stores (schools)
- Commercial district enhancement
- Join the 3 corridors: Lake, Fair Oaks, Lincoln
- Control of negative commercial development
- Empty parking lots (Rite Aid, Ralphs)
- Vacant storefronts
- Empty commercial lots
- Need to improve on retail/commercial
- Bringing more relevant businesses without over-commercialization
- Commercial opportunities lacking
- Need more restaurants & commercial
- Underdeveloped or vacant lots in commercial spaces

Communication & Governance

- Communication
- Lack of accountability on part of the city. Who makes decisions?
- Getting questions answered
- End rule of disgruntled minority
- A more effective Town Council
- Keeping gov't oversight to a minimum
- Never hearing what is going on that will affect residents (no communications)
- Inactivity of public in this process
- More meeting like tonight
- Keep Altadena independent for individuals. No creeping nanny state
- Profit before people
- Lack of unified voice to call for support & services we need (e.g. Edison response during windstorm, when we needed more help)
- Wish there were a local weekly paper for Altadena
- Police interaction with young African American men
- Not allowing small group to stop things that benefit the population as a whole
- Overcoming citizen inertia
- Bureaucratic process for change - all the various agencies working together
- Bureaucracy to move projects along

Economic / Fiscal

- Economy
- A more economically vibrant community
- Need more revenue for services
- Economy
- Economic redevelopment
- Incentive to bring investors

- Economic development sustained & local
- We need to be more aware of the less "well off" parts of town

- Economic disparities along racial lines

Groceries & Food

- Own food store co-op, or healthy cool food store - TJs, Sprouts, etc.
- Altadena farmers markets
- Better grocery stores
- Renovated and upgraded supermarket (Ralphs is subpar)
- Trader Joe's
- No Trader Joe's
- We need a Trader Joe's
- Affordable quality local food available

- Lots of fruit trees planted years ago - now elderly homeowners & unpicked fruit & lots of low income folks
- Can't get vegetarian/vegan foods up here!
- Lack of quality commercial district - poor grocery shopping, lack of restaurants
- Need better shopping (i.e. Trader Joe's)
- We need a few more restaurants and an updated or additional markets

Growth & Development

- Controlled growth to meet the community vision
- Containing growth + building up into the hills

- Growth in population density
- Controlling development

Identity & Appearance

- Being a "destination" city
- Isolated. People are not knowing this area.
- Keeping up its beautification!
- Negative stigma
- Need to address challenges related to design
- Streetscape
- Overhead utilities - bury them!

- The electric supply system - outdated, should be underground
- Reduce amount of chain-link (cyclone) fencing visible in residential areas
- Residential neighborhoods - upgrade landscaping
- Improving standards for residential appearances

Infrastructure & Utilities

- Cell phone coverage
- Telecommunication needs updating
- Improved infrastructure
- Provide sewers for Altadena residents
- Maintenance of infrastructure - both public and private - failures of SCE - large residential lots beyond owners resources
- Make phone service better
- Power outage frequency

- Overhead utilities - bury them!
- Lack of reliable electrical power
- The electric supply system - outdated, should be underground
- Aging infrastructure
- Electrical outages
- Lights

Involvement

- Even more opportunities for KIDS to be part of community
- More volunteering by professional individuals and groups
- Cranky activists
- Keeping our young people engaged

- I would know my neighbors even better - working on projects & having "parties" regularly
- Increase opportunities to volunteer via library etc.
- Inactivity of public in this process
- More meeting like tonight

Jobs

- Income for Altadena Residents - Jobs or???
- Job opportunities
- Local jobs

- Employers
- Lack of local jobs

Lake Avenue

- Change Lake Ave back above Altadena Dr.
- Lake business district needs revitalization

- Thriving businesses on Lake Ave & Lincoln Ave

- Improve Ralph's and adjoining lot on Lake + Mariposa
- Some businesses were shut down on Lake Ave where close to Altadena Dr. There are not enough people willing to go shopping over there, so a good business can't survive.
- Can a landscaped median be provided along Lake Ave as was provided in Lake in Pasadena?
- Steep slope of Lake St
- Lake Ave: Get rid of empty lots, beautification of stores (pride), more parking, create a nice downtown
- The hill on Lake

Lincoln Avenue

- Lincoln Ave from Woodbury to Altadena Drive
- Lincoln Ave
- North Lincoln Ave's commercial district needs redevelopment - attract new businesses
- Empty, unfinished building at Lincoln & Altadena
- Reduce number of liquor stores on Fair Oaks & Lincoln above Woodbury

Liquor Stores

- Too many liquor stores + check cashing stores on Fair Oaks
- Less liquor stores
- Too many liquor stores / check cashing places
- Excess of liquor stores / check cashing places, storefront churches - no added value

Maintaining / Enhancing Treasures

- Maintaining the peaceful & comfortable environment
- Making change while protecting treasures
- Maintain Christmas Tree Lane
- Modernized library
- Give the library as much money as they need!

Mobility & Transportation

- Public transportation - to Meadows, to top of Lake, etc.
- Few bicycle lanes/paths on streets
- Bike friendly
- Transportation
- Lack of sidewalks
- Need more bicycle racks for businesses
- Traffic
- Traffic on Lake Ave. and Woodbury
- Lack of walkable streets (need better urban design)

Nature

- Not enough care for our hills and parks
- Save the hillsides
- Preservation of wooded features

- N. Lake parking
- Get rid of Spanish requirement for Lake remodels - allow design freedom
- The signage along Lake Ave seems excessive. Does Altadena have a sign ordinance or do we follow L.A. County? Can we reduce the amount of signage. Are the pylon signs along Lake Ave in compliance with sign ordinance?
- Traffic on Lake Ave. and Woodbury
- RFS vacant lot - Lake & Calaveras (what will happen)
- The "WaMu crater" (Lake/Calaveras) - Lake is looking like a SLUM!

- Lincoln Ave area
- Beautifying Lincoln Ave
- Make the intersection at Lincoln Avenue and Altadena Drive appealing
- Thriving businesses on Lake Ave & Lincoln Ave
- Regulate commercial development better. Example: Northeast corner of Lincoln - Altadena.

- Plethora of "bad" businesses: liquor stores, pay day loan shops, and failed small businesses such (ephemeral salons for nails, etc)
- Make Altadena more attractive to business (family oriented) - not liquor stores
- Drug sales outside liquor stores
- Reduce number of liquor stores on Fair Oaks & Lincoln above Woodbury

- Modernizing the library
- Need better rules / reg. for preserving historic homes and their architecture
- We (heart) Coffee Gallery
- Bringing more relevant businesses without over-commercialization

- A community where neighbors walked to the shops, stores & parks - slower traffic
- Traffic calming on Altadena Drive - reduce width - one lane each way everywhere
- Bike lanes on Altadena Drive - safe place to exercise
- Lack of sidewalks - not walker-friendly
- Safety issues for children who must walk to school on streets with no sidewalks + speeding cars
- Create more of a downtown area that promotes walking

- Not protecting the oak trees by allowing buildings in their drip lines
- Containing growth + building up into the hills

- Keep healthy balance between residential and Nat.

Forest / wildlife concerns

Neighborhoods & Housing

- Possibility of "profit before people" - seeking to place "business" in residential neighborhood
- Improve things in one neighborhood without breaking things in another
- Improve bad neighbors
- Reduce amount of chain-link (cyclone) fencing visible in residential areas
- Residential neighborhoods - upgrade landscaping
- Poorly maintained residential properties / blight
- Keep all homes single families. Do not let garages, attics to become living areas.
- No mansions
- Improving standards for residential appearances

- Regulate home sizes - no more mansions
- Keep unclutter - no industrial trucks on residential streets
- Blighted housing areas
- Number of group homes
- Revise the mansionization ordinance so that it reflects the already built Altadena environment
- Moratorium on group homes + better monitoring of existing group homes
- Sustainable affordable neighborhoods
- Need better rules / reg. for preserving historic homes and their architecture

Parking

- Parking
- Parking
- Parking
- Very little parking (needs to change)
- More parking on Fair Oaks

- Loosening restrictions on parking in commercial areas
- Restrictions for business expansion (i.e. parking)
- N. Lake parking

Property Maintenance

- Property maintenance
- Harsher penalties for absentee landlords + property owners for allowing property to become a blight
- Maintenance of infrastructure - both public and private - failures of SCE - large residential lots beyond owners resources

- Derelict vacant land/building owners
- Poorly maintained residential properties / blight
- Vacant businesses and absentee landlords
- Eliminate blight (vacant lots, poorly maintained property, etc.)

Regulation

- One person's complaint can stop communal events from continuing
- Codes & ordinances need to be aligned & internally consistent
- Streamline permitting process
- Reduce local regulations - Coffee Gallery backstage issue
- Lack of enforcement of noise
- Need to address challenges related to design
- Restrictions for business expansion (i.e. parking)
- One dimensional zoning
- County restrictions to town initiatives - neighborhood gatherings, farmer's market
- Revise the mansionization ordinance so that it reflects the already built Altadena environment
- Regulations important and needed
- Moratorium on group homes + better monitoring of existing group homes
- Less helicopter noise
- Overbuilding residential houses
- Growth in population density
- Planning + zoning
- Restrictive codes from county

- Controlling development
- Cost of CUP for fence height \$8K!
- Fence height limit in front yard
- 3 1/2 foot fence in front yard
- Building permit process
- Over-regulation of unimportant codes that kill events, community character, etc (i.e. Altadena Urban Mkt, murals, etc)
- Bureaucracy to move projects along
- Over regulation
- Have less regulations
- County restrictions to small business improvements
- Local, unique, independent businesses - not overly regulated by County
- The signage along Lake Ave seems excessive. Does Altadena have a sign ordinance or do we follow L.A. County? Can we reduce the amount of signage. Are the pylon signs along Lake Ave in compliance with sign ordinance?
- Make Altadena more self-sustainable for small businesses. Too many regulations
- Difficult for businesses to start up & cut through red tape

- Overkill regulation and permitting of small businesses
- Not protecting the oak trees by allowing buildings in their drip lines
- Keep healthy balance between residential and Nat. Forest / wildlife concerns
- Harsher penalties for absentee landlords + property owners for allowing property to become a blight
- Make it less expensive to obtain business permits

- Control of negative commercial development
- Get rid of Spanish requirement for Lake remodels - allow design freedom
- Regulate commercial development better. Example: Northeast corner of Lincoln - Altadena.
- Need better rules / reg. for preserving historic homes and their architecture

Restaurants

- Need more restaurants
- Not enough good local eateries - we need more & better restaurants
- No local restaurants
- No restaurants in old town area
- Chain restaurants
- Restaurants

- Need more restaurants & commercial
- We need a few more restaurants and an updated or additional markets
- Too little business presence for daily needs - e.g. restaurants
- Lack of quality commercial district - poor grocery shopping, lack of restaurants

Retail/Shopping

- No bookstores
- More niche stores - how do we become Montrose or Clairmont
- Need to improve on retail/commercial
- Full, quality commercial + retail services + stores
- Better retail
- Getting gas
- Lack of a vibrant retail environment (need better options)
- Starbucks!

- Need better shopping (i.e. Trader Joe's)
- Planned shopping district with narrow streets, less traffic
- Lack of services & businesses that would keep Altadenans shopping & spending in Altadena
- Supporting small businesses instead of chasing big box retail
- Viable business & retail
- Too little business presence for daily needs - e.g. restaurants

Revitalization

- Clean up various blight areas
- Projects that are started here and just sit unfinished
- Some abandoned buildings (former Salvation Army & building @ corner of Altadena + Lincoln)
- Blighted housing areas
- Number of group homes
- Empty parking lots (Rite Aid, Ralphs)
- Graffiti in public places
- Trash on street
- Empty commercial lots
- Urban blight
- Old Scripps home property (what will happen)

- Beautifying Lincoln Ave
- Make the intersection at Lincoln Avenue and Altadena Drive appealing
- Rite Aid shopping center (redevelop)
- Improve Ralph's and adjoining lot on Lake + Mariposa
- Eliminate blight (vacant lots, poorly maintained property, etc.)
- Lake Ave: Get rid of empty lots, beautification of stores (pride), more parking, create a nice downtown

Safety

- Safety with community concerns
- Crime on increase
- Crime
- Crime
- Drug sales outside liquor stores
- Areas of crime - 2 shootings in a WEEK?
- Drug labs
- Guns / gunfire
- More Sheriff patrolling in the community
- Burglaries

- I want to feel SAFE walking at night / leaving the house - I want Altadena theft/robbery down!
- Safety!!!
- Wind storms
- To feel safe walking home at night
- Loitering/homeless
- Gang activity
- Crime
- Gangs
- Safety

- Crime
- Gun control
- Bangers

- Police interaction with young African American men
- Crime
- Poor visibility at intersections in neighborhoods due to tall untrimmed plants/bushes, etc.

Schools

- Superior education achievements
- Board of Ed working with parents and betterment for students
- Educational system unequal - private vs. public
- Improving quality of schools
- Public school quality
- Lack of decent public schools
- Lack of support for / connection with our public schools
- No top performing public school in area

- PUSD closing schools in town
- Improve K-12 schools!
- Underperforming school district
- More public schools
- Need to improve public schools - grades, more funding
- Need an East Altadena School District
- Lack of coordinated support for foster kids & kids in group homes (esp. as this affects local schools)
- Clean air, clean parks, good schools

Streets

- Road repair New York Drive Allen to Lake
- Lack of walkable streets (need better urban design)
- Road repair
- Speeding cars
- Potholes on streets (street repair generally)
- Streets
- A community where neighbors walked to the shops, stores & parks - slower traffic
- Traffic calming on Altadena Drive - reduce width - one lane each way everywhere
- Bike lanes on Altadena Drive - safe place to exercise

- Lack of sidewalks - not walker-friendly
- Road improvements
- Safety issues for children who must walk to school on streets with no sidewalks + speeding cars
- Poor visibility at intersections in neighborhoods due to tall untrimmed plants/bushes, etc.
- Necessity for speed bumps along Hill Street at Calaveras / Country Club Drive
- Streetscape
- Can a landscaped median be provided along Lake Ave as was provided in Lake in Pasadena?

Vacant Lots & Buildings

- Vacant storefronts
- Eliminate blight (vacant lots, poorly maintained property, etc.)
- Derelict vacant land/building owners
- RFS vacant lot - Lake & Calaveras (what will happen)
- Underdeveloped or vacant lots in commercial spaces
- The "WaMu crater" (Lake/Calaveras) - Lake is looking like a SLUM!
- Projects that are started here and just sit unfinished

- Some abandoned buildings (former Salvation Army & building @ corner of Altadena + Lincoln)
- Less vacant buildings & parking lots
- Empty, unfinished building at Lincoln & Altadena
- Vacant businesses and absentee landlords
- Lake Ave: Get rid of empty lots, beautification of stores (pride), more parking, create a nice downtown
- Empty parking lots (Rite Aid, Ralphs)
- Empty commercial lots

Visions

Visions are the ideas that people have for Altadena's future—what they would like to see happen, or what would make Altadena better.

Activities, Parks & Services

- Maybe religious open-house events - different churches
- Freedom to have events w/o grumps shutting us down
- More community - wide events - town halls, concerts, lecture series, etc.

- More creative outlets for kids, more indep./family-owned businesses, boutiques
- Bringing my recreation + leisure activities
- Supportive of (organizing) physical activity
- More recreational activities
- More community activities in Farnsworth Park
- Dog park

- More community events
- Updated library
- More inner community events
- Community activities bringing population together
- More parks & rec facilities
- Informal performance venues (parks) well used
- Community activities: play, parents lectures, etc...
- Pool activities - warm weather, safe healthy exercise
- Workout equipment in all parks
- Community youth opportunities and internships

- Competitive swim team, b-ball team (year round) (whirlpool, year round)
- Clean air, clean parks, good schools
- Redesign lake area commerce, Ave to be more inviting with shops, restaurants & venues for celebrations and festivals...draw people from other places
- Community fair on lake - shut lake down
- A vibrant public education system with schools as community hubs for activities + services
- Altadena High School with a football team

Appearance / Beauty

- Ideal Community - Beautiful on all facets
- Clean, well maintained
- (not to get rid of horses) Clean, no horse poop
- Clean
- Prettier community - overhead utility poles; run-down housing
- Quaint appearance (like Sierra Madre)
- Beautiful
- Keep our beautiful scenery & landscaping well serviced for community endeavors
- Lovely, historic + happy

- More homeowners and fewer home renters which promotes pride of ownership and more beautiful streets
- A happy beautiful place where there are good schools
- Beautiful Lake Avenue
- Lovely gardens in front yard
- A beautiful shopping ctr with a Jamba Juice, Starbucks
- Business districts appealing in appearance

Arts

- Creative art guild (like Sierra Madre in Altadena)
- Artist colony
- More art activities because lots of artists are live in this area
- Community approved mural!
- More art opportunities for kids

- Once a month have kid's art walk
- Music & nightlife thriving
- Lively business & arts districts
- Preserve open space & "green" (pastoral) recreation such as hiking, horse riding, bird watching, open air painting, wild flower walks, moonlight hikes, etc!

Bicycling

- Bike friendly
- Bicycle friendly community
- Implement bike path plan
- Bike lanes
- Make a 100% bike friendly town

- Roundabouts calm traffic - bicycles
- A bike friendly and pedestrian friendly area, tree canopy, benches, green....? Bike pavilion, medians crosswalks

Character / Feel

- Keep Altadena unique (architecture, community gardens, community gatherings and neighborly support)
- A community with a rural, independent, diverse character that values history, local environment and trails, and retains its "village" feel
- I like Altadena just the way it is
- Maintain the unique feel + vibe
- Lovely, historic + happy
- Still a small town feel

- Continue the small-town feel, horses on streets etc.
- Vibrant
- Best town in Calif
- A better Altadena: a hopeful positive attitude, but realistic about human nature & govt
- Peaceful & Happy
- A happy beautiful place where there are good schools

Commercial Areas

- Less "places of worship" in commercial/economic zones
- We need a business district

- Nicer buildings (get the old run down buildings cleaned up)
- All buildings painted

- NW Altadena (Lincoln - Fair Oaks) Vibrant walking / shopping district
- I hope expanding the commercial areas i.e. a shopping mall and a technical college
- Support more businesses to open on Fair Oaks
- Get new re-development projects done
- Commercial districts
- Removal of blight at Northwest corner of Lake and Altadena
- No storefront churches
- No check cashing
- No liquor stores + check cashing stores on Fair Oaks

Community Involvement

- I would know my neighbors even better - working on projects & having "parties" regularly
- Cranky activists
- More community engagement

Diversity

- Diversity in economic, cultural & religious population
- All races & cultures working together & appreciating each other
- Diverse law enforcement personnel

Economy

- A more economically vibrant community
- Property tax revenue from Altadena is returned to Altadena
- An expanded local economy based on camping, hiking, equestrian & mountain biking uses
- Stable housing market

Growth / Development

- Intelligently planned & controlled growth
- Establish monitorium or new, rural development - preserve open space
- Mixed use development at Rite Aid area Lake + Altadena Dr.
- Have building projects completed (why do so many projects get stopped?... Regulations? Hoops to jump? Poor planning? Too costly to build here?)

Infrastructure & Utilities

- Improved infrastructure
- Reliable power everywhere (fewer outages)
- No cell phone towers w/o community support

Lake Avenue

- Thriving businesses on Lake Ave & Lincoln Ave
- Redesign lake area commerce, Ave to be more inviting with shops, restaurants & venues for

- Remove zombie Rite Aid or upgrade
- Lively business & arts districts
- No empty storefronts
- Business districts appealing in appearance
- Business districts that are functional
- Successful business district hiring local people
- Windows for Altadena Ale House
- Commercial areas where residents can gather
- Pedestrian friendly commercial zones that are open after 6pm
- Better schools! Fewer Churches!

- Neighborhood units organized for: parties, neighborhood watch, cert disaster
- Community increased involvement in our PUBLIC schools (close achievement gap in Altadena)
- Expanded neighborhood associations

- I live in the same street as my doctor and my gardener - I don't want that to change
- A community with a rural, independent, diverse character that values history, local environment and trails, and retains its "village" feel

- That those people come to use the hillsides for recreation also contribute to the economy by commercial services
- Unemployment is greatly reduced
- Local jobs
- Grow businesses & economy
- Putting our county taxes to work in altadena

- A town free of dense development
- See all the projects completed ex: west corr #4610 finished
- Protect the natural habitat, wild land, wildlife, and wildflowers in Altadena from subdivisions and "tract mansion" projects!

- Prettier community - overhead utility poles; run-down housing

celebrations and festivals...draw people from other places

- Community fair on lake - shut lake down
- Mariposa / Lake a destination to Sierra Madre

- Nightlife on Lake Ave
- Development of Lake Ave and Woodbury - attract more business
- Redesign of N/ Lake to be more homey - small town like Sierra Madre or Montrose
- Beautiful Lake Avenue
- A well-developed n/ lake with vibrant businesses
- Vibrant business area on lake & mariposa w. outdoor dining nightlife
- Major grocery store on lake w/ services, bakery, meat, flower or refurbish Ralphs

- Mixed use development at Rite Aid area Lake + Altadena Dr.
- Removal of blight at Northwest corner of Lake and Altadena
- Flowers, trees; people walking down lake
- A nice café, music, bookstore on top of Lincoln or Lake
- Shopping district w/ restaurants at Lake + Mariposa
- North Lake Avenue would have walkable areas with community plaza & great mix of vibrant retail
- Make the area @ Mariposa/Lake walking, shopping, district like Sierra Madre

Lincoln Avenue

- Thriving businesses on Lake Ave & Lincoln Ave
- NW Altadena (Lincoln - Fair Oaks) Vibrant walking / shopping district

- Street car to connect Lincoln to Allen
- A nice café, music, bookstore on top of Lincoln or Lake

Local Businesses

- Support small local business; less regulation and permit fees to get businesses started
- More community friendly, locally owned businesses
- Strong locally owned business base
- Family owned business, boutiques
- Business plan cohesive *stay in Altadena
- Survival of the small business that we know & love
- Small businesses thrive - coffee & restaurants ; bookstores
- Has small locally owned businesses I can walk to
- Local small thriving business community of small businesses
- No large chains
- Ease parking restrictions for new businesses
- Allow off street parking for businesses
- Sustainable business
- Small mom & pop businesses
- Too many challenges for small businesses
- Thriving local businesses community w/ less restrictions
- Thriving businesses

- Thriving businesses - adding in light manufacturing & service companies
- A more active & successful assortment of quirky, local businesses
- Small business start up hub
- Free up codes to make small business friendly
- A more business friendly community that encourages development and investment
- Less restrictions on sidewalk café seating/signs/murals
- Thriving local businesses
- More creative outlets for kids, more indep./family - owned businesses, boutiques
- Development of Lake Ave and Woodbury - attract more business
- A well-developed n/ lake with vibrant businesses
- Grow businesses & economy
- Promote desirable local businesses such as cafes, plant nurseries, coffee shop (indie or Peet's coffee & tea)

Nature & Environment

- Clean air, clean parks, good schools
- Protect small areas for small wildlife (more "pocket parks" and fountains) & wildlife corridors
- Organized nature hikes
- Preservation of nature
- Environmentally aware
- Protect the natural habitat, wild land, wildlife, and wildflowers in Altadena from subdivisions and "tract mansion" projects!
- Preservation of trails + parks
- Preserve hillsides
- Preserve open space & "green" (pastoral) recreation such as hiking, horse riding, bird watching, open air painting, wild flower walks, moonlight hikes, etc!

- Environmental sensitivity - Go Green!
- The leading greenscape in Southern California - preservation of trails; trees/natural feel
- Carbon neutral community - at least get a start at it
- More nature trails, less traffic
- Establish monitorium or new, rural development - preserve open space
- Educate - re: Astronomy w/ dark(er) night skies - telescope in our area...
- Thriving outdoors recreation center like Eaton Canyon (maybe at Cobb Estate)
- An expanded local economy based on camping, hiking, equestrian & mountain biking uses

Neighborhoods & Housing

- Houses that blend into the community
- More homeowners and fewer home renters which promotes pride of ownership and more beautiful streets
- Supportive housing for homeless families & veterans
- Well kept homes
- Lovely gardens in front yard
- Expanded neighborhood associations
- Quiet neighborhood where people feel comfortable walking
- Available senior citizen housing
- Would maintain residential "feel"
- I would know my neighbors even better - working on projects & having "parties" regularly
- Neighborhood units organized for: parties, neighborhood watch, cert disaster
- A safe neighborhood to raise your child
- Prettier community - overhead utility poles; run-down housing

Night Life

- Music & nightlife thriving
- Nightlife on Lake Ave
- Pedestrian friendly commercial zones that are open after 6pm
- Vibrant business area on lake & mariposa w. outdoor dining nightlife

Quiet & Peaceful

- Don't hear freeway noise
- Peaceful setting
- Quieter environment
- Peaceful & Happy

Regulation & Government

- Implement the Altadena preliminary community general plan by the Regional Planning Commission, County of LA, CA April 1969 - It's got great elements
- Equal service for both east & west side
- More autonomy from the County of LA
- County sub office locally
- Putting our county taxes to work in altadena
- Ideal community: one of freedom-loving people who have a true understanding of the limits of Government
- No magic thinking or coercion masquerading as utopia
- Support small local business; less regulation and permit fees to get businesses started
- Zoning for neighborhood cafes & restaurants
- Property tax revenue from Altadena is returned to Altadena
- Ease parking restrictions for new businesses
- Allow off street parking for businesses
- Have building projects completed (why do so many projects get stopped?... Regulations? Hoops to jump? Poor planning? Too costly to build here?)
- Thriving local businesses community w/ less restrictions
- Free up codes to make small business friendly
- A more business friendly community that encourages development and investment
- Less restrictions on sidewalk café seating/signs/murals
- A better Altadena: a hopeful positive attitude, but realistic about human nature & govt

Restaurants & Cafes

- Zoning for neighborhood cafes & restaurants
- Restaurants
- Making the Mt Lowe Power House a nice restaurant
- Restaurants in Old Town
- Restaurants with ample parking
- Community Café / Coffee shop (not a chain)
- More restaurants - good ones
- A few highend restaurants would be nice
- I don't want to drive 2 to 5 miles to eat out, shop for groceries or buy office supplies
- A couple of chain restaurants
- Starbucks - YES
- More restaurants
- More restaurants
- More restaurants
- Roof top dining
- Good asian dining
- Wine tasting shop
- More restaurants less liquor stores + nail salons
- Small businesses thrive - coffee & restaurants ; bookstores
- Retail stores / restaurants
- Promote desirable local businesses such as cafes, plant nurseries, coffee shop (indie or Peet's coffee & tea)

- Shopping district w/ restaurants at Lake + Mariposa
- Vibrant business area on lake & mariposa w. outdoor dining nightlife
- Fun shops & places to eat
- Redesign lake area commerce, Ave to be more inviting with shops, restaurants & venues for

Retail/Shopping

- Would not like to see any Box Stores
- A nice café, music, bookstore on top of Lincoln or Lake
- More major retailers like Jamba Juice, TGI Fridays, Starbucks...
- A community where residents want to shop
- Retail stores / restaurants
- NO big box retail
- Farmer's Market Food co-op
- More shops
- 50% less liquor stores
- Promote desirable local businesses such as cafes, plant nurseries, coffee shop (indie or Peet's coffee & tea)
- Hiking supplies; organic food or farmer's markets; Trader Joes!
- Shopping district w/ restaurants at Lake + Mariposa
- Get rid of all the liquor stores
- A beautiful shopping ctr with a Jamba Juice, Starbucks

Rural & Agriculture

- Expanded space for urban agricultural and farming
- Preserve Altadena's rural character
- Support the equestrian life style - don't squeeze horses out!
- Maintaining the semi-rural status
- Small urban farmstands
- Farmer's market
- A community with a rural, independent, diverse character that values history, local environment and trails, and retains its "village" feel

Safety

- Higher sheriff presence to reduce gang activity in NW Altadena
- The crime rate is greatly reduced
- Safe streets
- A safe neighborhood to raise your child
- Get rid of "gang" element
- Gun buy back program to get guns off our streets

Schools & Youth

- School district GREATLY improved
- Highest % of students going to college in the county
- Neighborhood schools - good schools that aim to become CA Distinguished Schools

celebrations and festivals...draw people from other places

- Walking area / dining like Colorado Blvd., Sierra Madre...Silver Lake
- A nice café, music, bookstore on top of Lincoln or Lake
- Fun shops & places to eat
- Family owned business, boutiques
- I hope expanding the commercial areas i.e. a shopping mall and a technical college
- Ability to walk to nice grocery store (Ralph's outdated)
- I don't want to drive 2 to 5 miles to eat out, shop for groceries or buy office supplies
- More restaurants less liquor stores + nail salons
- Major grocery store on lake w/ services, bakery, meat, flower or refurbish Ralphs
- More creative outlets for kids, more indep./family - owned businesses, boutiques
- North Lake Avenue would have walkable areas with community plaza & great mix of vibrant retail
- Small businesses thrive - coffee & restaurants ; bookstores
- Make the area @ Mariposa/Lake walking, shopping, district like Sierra Madre

- Farmer's Market Food co-op
- Continue the small-town feel, horses on streets etc.
- Hiking supplies; organic food or farmer's markets; Trader Joes!
- Preserve open space & "green" (pastoral) recreation such as hiking, horse riding, bird watching, open air painting, wild flower walks, moonlight hikes, etc!
- Establish monitorium or new, rural development - preserve open space

- Further crime reduction
- No parking after 2 am; keep streets clean & safe!
- Diverse law enforcement personnel
- Better control of students so we can have our kids go to community schools
- The schools are excellent & safe

- Magnet school
- Educate - re: Astronomy w/ dark(er) night skies - telescope in our area...
- Best schools in Calif
- Better schools! Fewer Churches!

- Libraries & schools w/ all the money they need
- Our community embraces youth and our schools & community services are strongly linked
- More accessible schools for kids in Altadena
- A happy beautiful place where there are good schools
- A vibrant public education system with schools as community hubs for activities + services
- Community sending kids to public / local schools
- Improved school scores
- Adult education / vocational school
- Better control of students so we can have our kids go to community schools
- Supportive organizing of education
- The schools are excellent & safe
- Move back to Public Schools

- Top rated school system
- Community increased involvement in our PUBLIC schools (close achievement gap in Altadena)
- Better public schools
- Altadena High School with a football team
- Public & private schools & other youth-oriented programs work together
- A safe neighborhood to raise your child
- More art opportunities for kids
- Once a month have kid's art walk
- Community youth opportunities and internships
- Clean air, clean parks, good schools
- I hope expanding the commercial areas i.e. a shopping mall and a technical college
- More creative outlets for kids, more indep./family-owned businesses, boutiques

Sense of Community

- Neighbor help neighbor...does one exist? I can do....., I need.....
- Promote local communities
- Close-knit community
- I live in the same street as my doctor and my gardener - I don't want that to change
- Consideration for neighbors' preferences
- Courtesy
- Positive atmosphere for raising children

- Environment where sharing of ideas is encouraged
- More to gathering in Altadena
- Many people walking & talking
- All races & cultures working together & appreciating each other
- Keep Altadena unique (architecture, community gardens, community gatherings and neighborly support)

Streets

- Develop and construct streets for safety
- No parking after 2 am; keep streets clean & safe!
- Improved street maintenance
- Private streets paved
- All streets paved

- Repaved roads
- Public parking at trail entrances; keep cars off streets in residential areas; eliminate parking restrictions

"Town Center"

- "Sierra Madre" like centers
- Make the area @ Mariposa/Lake walking, shopping, district like Sierra Madre
- A mixed use Town Center w/ government civic, commercial, residential entertainment uses w/ parking
- A bike friendly and pedestrian friendly area, tree canopy, benches, green....? Bike pavilion, medians crosswalks

- Redesign of N/ Lake to be more homey - small town like Sierra Madre or Montrose
- Walking / sitting business district
- Walking area / dining like Colorado Blvd., Sierra Madre...Silver Lake
- Commercial areas where residents can gather
- Meeting places
- Walkable downtown or town "center" area with restaurants, local shops, gathering places

Transportation & Traffic

- A community where neighbors walked to the shops, stores & parks - slower traffic
- More accessible public transportation
- Roundabouts calm traffic - bicycles
- Street car to connect Lincoln to Allen
- Town public transport service to reduce CO2 emission

- Have some metro stops on East, Central & West areas to connect East & West areas of the valleys
- Improved public transportation
- More traffic calming devices
- Less cars on street
- Not too much traffic
- More nature trails, less traffic

Trees & Greenery

- Flowers, trees; people walking down lake
- Preserve oaks and other mature trees
- Lots of old oak trees
- Trees along streets
- Development of more "green space"
- Keep our beautiful scenery & landscaping well serviced for community endeavors
- A bike friendly and pedestrian friendly area, tree canopy, benches, green....? Bike pavilion, medians crosswalks

Visitors / Attractions

- Bring back the Mt. Lowe railroad and hotel! Along with Rancho BB+H anex!
- Something where scripps home was park?
- Thriving outdoors recreation center like Eaton Canyon (maybe at Cobb Estate)
- An expanded local economy based on camping, hiking, equestrian & mountain biking uses
- That those people come to use the hillsides for recreation also contribute to the economy by commercial services
- Redesign lake area commerce, Ave to be more inviting with shops, restaurants & venues for celebrations and festivals...draw people from other places

Walking

- Pedestrian (not motor) traffic
- More foot traffic
- Pedestrian friendly commercial zones that are open after 6pm
- People walking around
- North Lake Avenue would have walkable areas with community plaza & great mix of vibrant retail
- Ability to walk to nice grocery store (Ralph's outdated)
- A bike friendly and pedestrian friendly area, tree canopy, benches, green....? Bike pavilion, medians crosswalks
- More sidewalks
- I want to see Altadena with sidewalk on all streets
- Walking / sitting business district
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- Walkable downtown or town "center" area with restaurants, local shops, gathering places
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- Make the area @ Mariposa/Lake walking, shopping, district like Sierra Madre
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