

**Council Representation:** Bernice Vanover, Ward 5

*Ward 5 has several neighborhoods, including larger ones like Sunnyside, South Park, Pueblo Gardens, and Las Vistas, as well as a historical areas like Barrio Santa Rosa and Santa Rita Park. Many constituents are longstanding residents with home ownership among the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest compared to other wards. There is strong Hispanic presence with many families and young children; nearly 30% of ward residents are under 18 years old. Pedestrian safety near schools, parks and recreation centers is particularly important. Pedestrian education for children and their families will further support safety efforts in pedestrian infrastructure of increased lighting, safe crossings, and traffic calming features.*

**Anticipated Pedestrian**

**Infrastructure:** The proposed [36<sup>th</sup> Street Road Diet](#) between Campbell Ave. and Country Club Rd. would narrow 36<sup>th</sup> Street to a single lane in each direction and add a two-way left center turn lane, creating a conducive environment for pedestrians, by slowing traffic and making crossing safer.



**(Top)** A HAWK crossing in front of the Boys and Girls Club on 36<sup>th</sup>St., however, the south sidewalk is obstructed with a line of trash cans and the north side has no sidewalk. **(Bottom)** A stretch of 36<sup>th</sup> St., just east of Forgeus Ave.



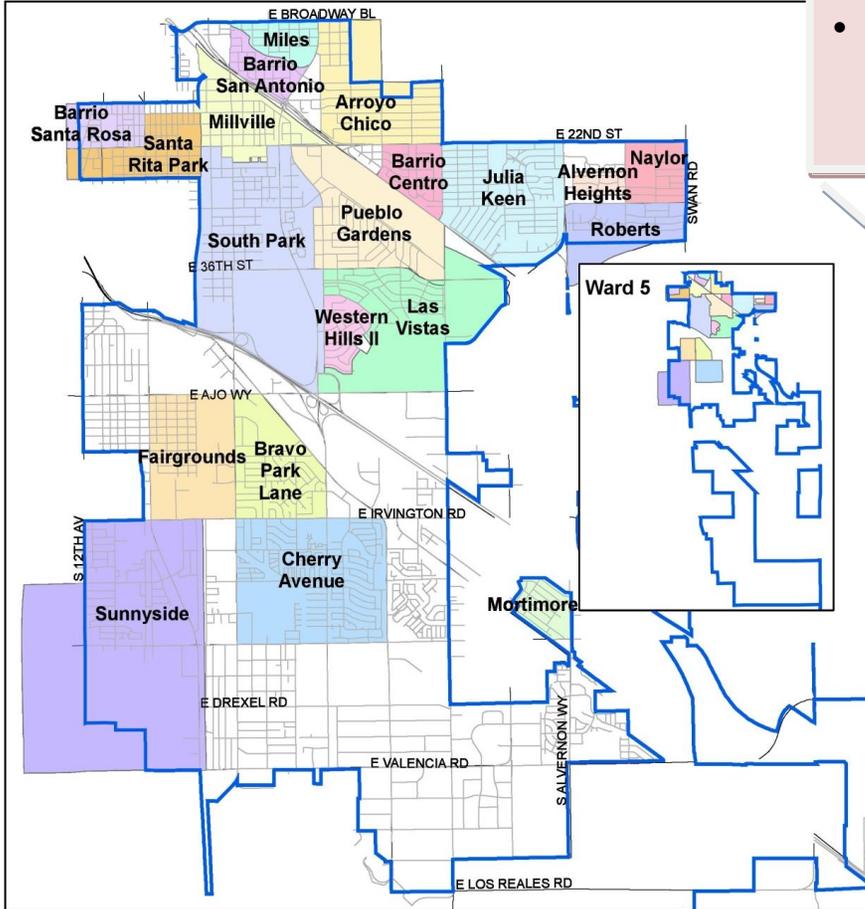
**Stretches of dirt shoulders are characteristic of walking routes to nearby schools such as Sunnyside High School and Esperanza Elementary in the Sunnyside Neighborhood. Recently installed HAWKs are part of efforts to make these routes safer. (Top) Bilby Rd. & Stewart Blvd. (Bottom) Drexel Rd. and Tucson Blvd.**

Recently installed **HAWK crossings** include:

- Cherry Avenue and Bantam Road near Rivera Elementary
- Drexel Road and Del Moral Boulevard near Sunnyside High School
- Drexel Road and Liberty Avenue

### Ward 5 Demographics:

- 70% of Ward 5 residents are Hispanic
- Median household income is \$34,462
- 67% of residents are low income/moderate income
- Several areas of this district have been identified as “high/highest stress,” determined by factors such as crime and poverty. <sup>1</sup>



**Implications for pedestrianism:** Based on 2009 National Household Travel Survey, Hispanics on average drive less and walk more than other groups, with nearly 14% of Hispanic households living without a car and making 45% more trips by foot compared to Whites.<sup>2</sup>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention data on fatal injuries for pedestrians found Hispanics suffer a death rate nearly 62% higher than non-Hispanic Whites.<sup>2</sup>

El Paso and Southwestern Greenway is a 6-mile multiuse path for pedestrians and cyclists. The pathway extends along a corridor that was used by the railroad. This car free path which runs north of downtown Tucson, through the City of South Tucson to the Kino Sports Complex is part of a network of planned trails connecting to The Loop.



**El Paso and Southwestern Greenway runs through Ward 5 neighborhoods of South Park, Western Hills and Las Vistas**

### Ward V Registered Neighborhood Associations

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**Legend**

- Ward 5
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**Department of Housing and Community Development**

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Sources; 1. City of Tucson Census 2010; City of Tucson Poverty & Stress Report, 2012  
2. Transportation for America. Dangerous by Design (2011).