Antelope Valley

Narrative:
The Antelope Valley is home to growing Latinx population, many of them being immigranst. Other predominant races in the community include Black and African American families and individuals. The Antelope Valley is located in the northern Los Angeles County. The major cities are Palmdale and Lancaster, but it is comprised of many other smaller areas that are each incredibly unique in their own way such as Quartz Hill, Littlerock, Lake Los Angeles, and Sun Village.
The Antelope Valley is a community bounded Lancaster on the north side, Palmdale on the south side, Lake Los Angeles on the east and Quartz Hill on the west. The main freeway is the 14 which is a north–south state highway that connects Los Angeles to Palmdale and Lancaster. Another freeways is the state route 138 which is not as commonly used by local residents is a scenic highway that begins in the west at its junction with Interstate 5 located south of Gorman in the Sierra Pelona Mountains, continues eastward through the Antelope Valley. The main streets used by the residents are community are Lancaster Blvd, Palmdale Blvd, Sierra Hwy, and Pearbloosom Hwy.
Many families become residents of the Antelope Valley because of the lower cost of home ownership. The mediam price of a three bedroom home is two-hundred and eighty thousand dollars a year.
Many residents came to this community to escape the high cost of living in the City of Los Angeles and the San Fernando Valley, where many were years long renters of small apartments.
There aren't many local jobs for local residents specially to those without a technical background in aerospace enginering or who are not U.S. Citizens. The majority of residents communite outside the Antelope Valley to factories in Santa Clarita, San Fernando Valley or other manual labor jobs in Los Angeles as far out to El Segundo/Manhattan Beach. According to the U.S. Census Bureau data Palmdale is the number 1 city with the longest commute time for workers. An average round-trip commute is 85.4 minutes. Many residents call the Antelope Valley a hotel community, given that many resident only spend enough time at home to sleep before they have to go back to work.

Key Unifying Trends:
A unifying issues is the lack access of affordable health care, especially for the immigrant community. In the AV there are organizations like Planned Parehood and Wesley Health Centers that provide some low cost primary care services but they can't service all of the communities in the are who don't have access to health insurance. Also, there are only two big hospitals which are both private one in Lancaster and another one in Palmdale for emergency services. During the height of the Pamdemic they were hit very hard and lacked beds to service all the community in need of care.
Another issue that is really important to Antelope Valley residents is public transportation. Residents need a car to move around in the community. Those that lack access to their own automobile have to rely on the AVT bus in which the few bus lines avalible only run evey hour, with limited service on the weekend. Residents have to walks 10 to 15 minutes in the main cities of Palmdale and Lancaster to find a stop and longer in more rural areas of the Antelope Valley such as Littlerock and Lake Los Angeles to get to their bus stop. Eve though the whole Antelope Valley can be traveled by vehiacle without much trafics from city to city, if you needed to do by bus it would require multiple bus transfer to travel from Palmdale to Lancaster.

District Preferences:
The preference is to draw and assembly maps with the east side of Lancaster and Palmdale, to include the rural areas of Littlerock and Lake LA. Following Lancaster along the 14 frwy on the noth to where it meets the state route 138 in Palmdale to Sierra Hwy. We ask to exclude West Lancaster, Quartz Hill, and Acton and Edwards Airforce Base, as those are more affluent communities in the Antelope Valley with different socioeconomic levels.
The preference on the congressional level is to keep the Antelope Valley whole in a district stretching from Santa Clarita on the northwest, California city on the North, Southeast to Lake Los Angeles and Los

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Angeles Forest in the South. We ask that the commission exlude the portion of Porter Ranch that is part of the currect district and the sliver of Simi Valley which is currently part of the district. By excluding those regions we can main the community of the Antelope Valley whole.
The preference on the senate level is to keep the Antelope Valley whole in a district stretching from Santa Clarita on the west, California city on the North, Lenwood and Lake Los Angeles on the East and Los Angeles Forest all the way to Glendora in the South.