



Small Area Plan Program FAQ

In 2013, the City of San Marcos adopted Vision San Marcos, Comprehensive Plan to plan for future growth in the city. Vision San Marcos created goals to **ensure that neighborhoods retain their existing character and follow development and redevelopment patterns desired by residents**. In order to make this initiative a reality, the City is launching the Small Area Plan Program to assist citizens with focusing planning efforts into smaller geographic areas in their neighborhood.

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VARYING NEEDS

What is a Small Area Plan?

The Small Area Plan Program offers the opportunity for residents to take a proactive role in planning their neighborhood. Small Area Plans gather resident's ideas about how to improve the quality of life in their neighborhoods and outline specific ways to apply and implement the goals of the Comprehensive Plan at the **neighborhood scale**.



Where will Small Area Plans be located?

The City has targeted neighborhoods for Small Area Plans in 2019: Dunbar, Blanco Gardens, and East Guadalupe. However, an application for a Small Area Plan can be submitted in other areas throughout the city in accordance with certain location criteria.



What are some of the benefits?

A Small Area Plan serves as a tool to help strengthen neighborhoods by:

- Preserving neighborhood character
- Shaping development
- Improving access to services and amenities
- Improving infrastructure
- Enhancing city and neighborhood communication



Who can apply for a Small Area Plan?

Residents and community groups work with city staff to submit an application. Commitment to the process must be demonstrated, including participation from a variety of stakeholders and a minimum of 20 percent of residents within the proposed boundary.

Where can I learn more about Small Area Plans?

VIEW

Details of the program are online at sanmarcostx.gov/smallareaplan

DISCUSS

Contact the Planning Department Office at planninginfo@sanmarcostx.gov or at 512.393.8230.

INTENT TO APPLY

If you are interested in applying, but are not yet ready to submit a formal application, you can complete an online **Intent to Apply** form at sanmarcostx.gov/smallareaplan.

Upcoming Application Workshop

Visit the upcoming Application Workshop to work with your neighbors and City staff to submit your Application for a Small Area Plan. To schedule an additional Application Workshop in your neighborhood, contact Planning & Development Services at 512.393.8230 or planninginfo@sanmarcostx.gov.

Date
Time
Location