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Near Northwest Community Area Planning Team Meeting #4 Housing and Economic Development

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#### Vision

The Near Northwest Community Area enhances access to regional assets and celebrates its diverse neighborhoods for people of all ages. The area embraces creativity and character by encouraging diverse housing options, supporting vibrant local businesses, and fostering recreational spaces that reflect community identity. Public art and celebrating cultural expression are woven into the fabric of everyday life, creating inspiring and inclusive places. Expanded non-vehicular transportation choices connect residents to opportunities and destinations, while ongoing safety and maintenance efforts strengthen the area's overall quality of life.

#### Goals

**Goal 1**: Protect established neighborhoods and **Goal 5**: Retain access for people of all ages residential character that recognizes the affordability and diversity of existing housing stock.

**Goal 2**: Maintain and connect to existing parks, green spaces, and creeks while determining opportunities to increase the range of green  $\sim$  spaces, recreational facilities, and community  $\sim$  partnerships with nearby institutional partners  $\sim$ amenities.

Goal 3: Attract a larger range of commercial development and "third places" to the area including small businesses and fresh food options that allow community members to live, work, and play in the area.

Goal 4: Promote a greater range of creative housing options that offer opportunities for all, that promote active lifestyles, non-vehicular at a range of prices and locations throughout mobility, and community connection. the area.

and abilities to regional connections while addressing safety concerns, improving aging infrastructure, and offering additional options to travel throughout the area.

**Goal 6**: Enhance connections between community members and strengthen such as St. Mary's University and community organizations.

Goal 7: Improve safety throughout the area by addressing flooding and environmental concerns, light and noise pollution, overdue maintenance, and gaps in facilities and amenities to serve community members.

Goal 8: Expand accessible healthy offerings

Goal 9: Integrate public art and gathering spaces that celebrate local identity and foster a sense of belonging.

# **Group Mentimeter Exercise**

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### What are the attractive/positive attributes about housing in the Near Northwest Community Plan Area?

lots

The lots in some parts of the NNW Community Plan Area are diverse in size and age. It's not cookie-cutter housing. There is diversity of housing.

Abundance and variety of SF housing.

Our community contains Mid Century Ranch Style homes, one of the last historical and architecturally significantce

affordable.

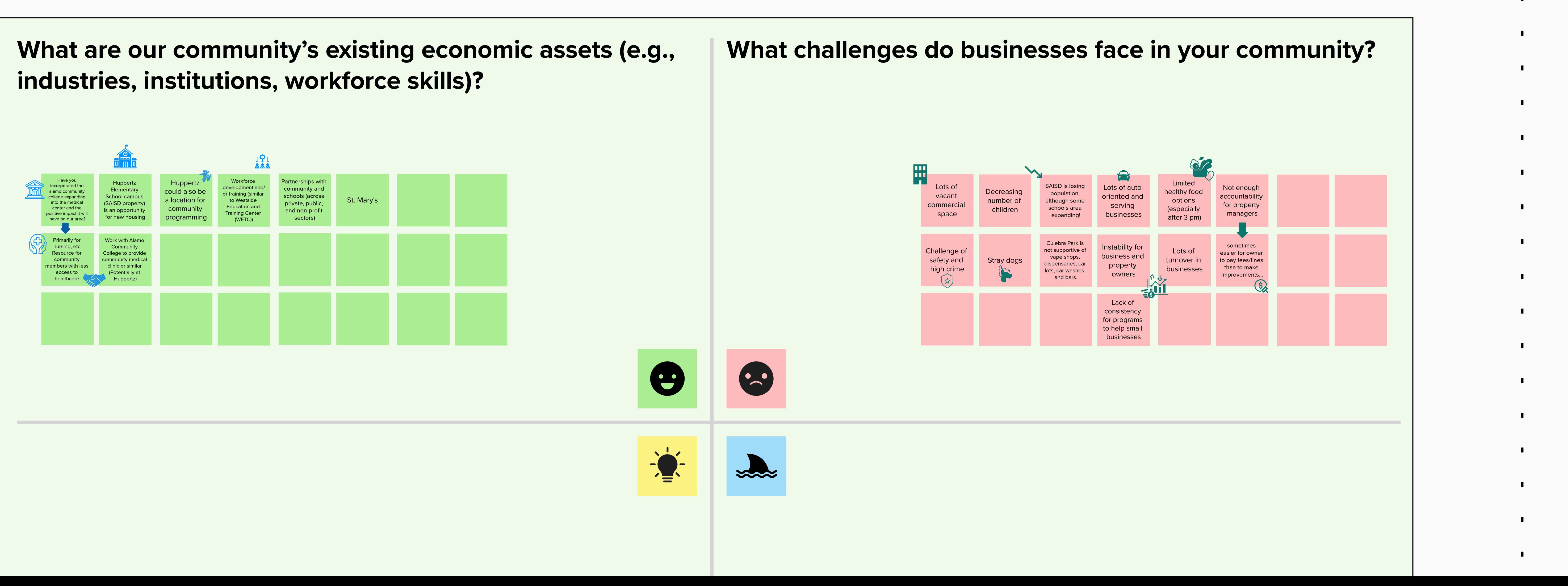
Very diverse style and size, some large

The variety of housing. Some are

The location and access to roads and downtown is appealing.

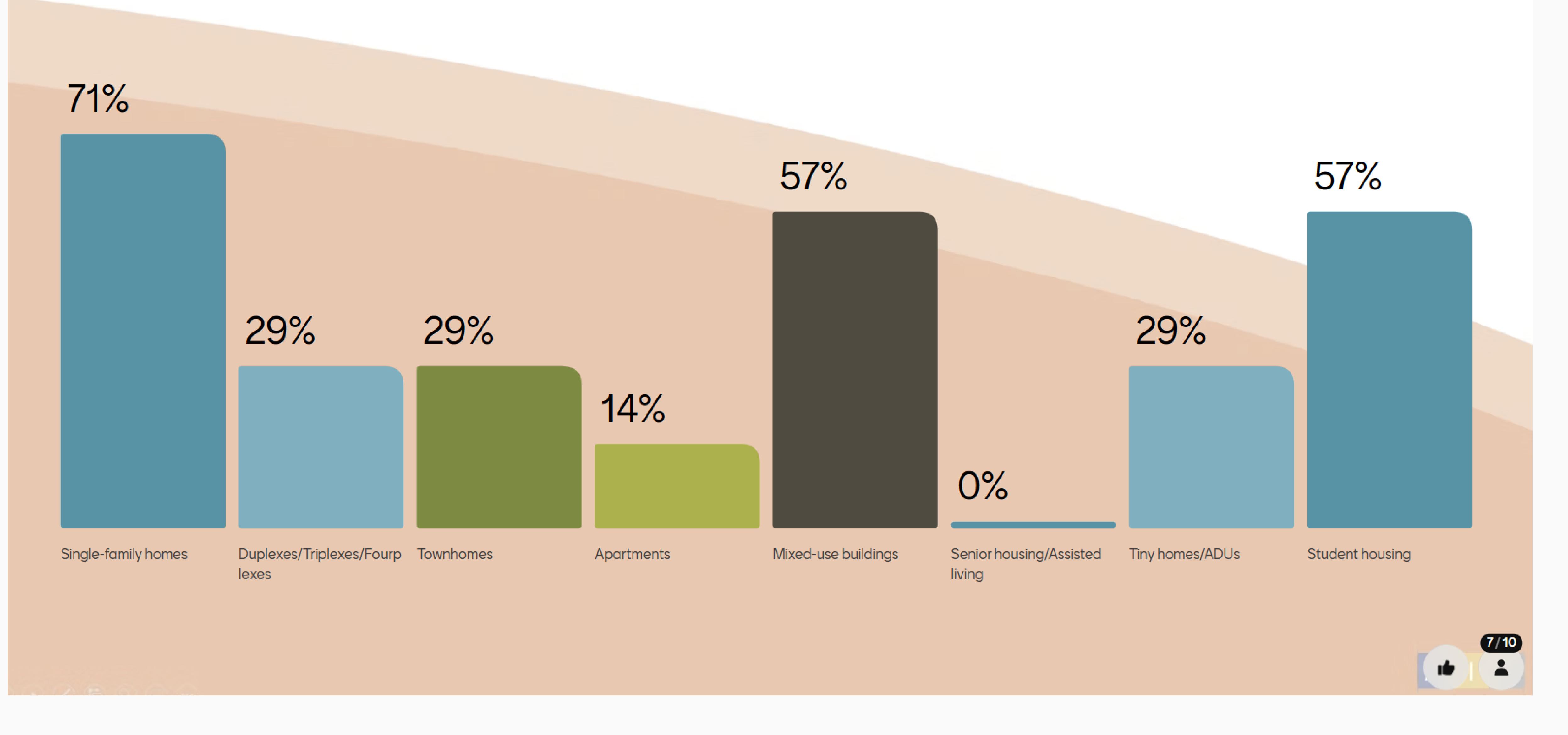
# Breakout Group 1

#### **Economic SWOT Discussion**





## What housing types could your area use more of? (Select Up to 4)





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## **Economic Analysis**