

paved with good intentions



Stories, images and histories from *Living On The Dime*

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a Living On The Dime
exhibition presented by
Inland Mexican Heritage

"Hell is paved with good intentions..." John Ray, Naturalist and Theologian

For Living on the Dime: A View of the World From Along I-10, Inland Mexican Heritage spent nearly two years gathering stories and images in communities from San Bernardino Valley to the Colorado River. Along the freeway, off the beaten track, during public programs, personal interviews, and chance meetings on the road, we documented the land and people that make up this vast region called Inland Southern California, asking those we met, how did the freeway change our towns, our lives, the land, and where do we go from here?

For many along the Dime, growth and progress mean one and the same and tend to be accepted as a fact of life. From Blythe to Banning, and

from Beaumont to Bloomington, people are living with the results of continuous freeway construction and development since the 1950s at the expense of rural towns and older suburban neighborhoods. Governments and developers are increasingly determined and skilled at taking and transforming the land in pursuit of highly selective notions of 'progress,' while individuals, groups, and entire communities are organizing, engaging, and working toward a different dream for the environment, their health, and their futures.

The stories, pictures, and videos gathered over two years are now part of our shared California heritage. We are proud to present this exhibit and invite you to experience what for all of us

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Reception: January 21, 6–8pm

Gallery hours: M–F, 12–5pm

Arts on 5th Gallery

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associated with this project felt to be a sometimes heartbreaking, at times uplifting, and always captivating experience.

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