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**Union Multi Use Path** *New Mexico* 



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Running from the charming Mesilla Park neighborhood in Las Cruces to the outskirts of the sprawling campus of New Mexico State University, the Union Multi Use Path provides excellent opportunities for recreation and convenient transportation for local residents. Situated on the north side of Union Avenue, this asphalt sidepath helps cyclists and pedestrians get around the barriers formed by the railroad tracks and the interstate highway and provides access to numerous destinations along the route. The Mesilla Park Elementary School is located just across the street from the western end of the trail, making it a great community asset for kids and families going to and from school. Just north of the trail, the small neighborhood site of Mesilla Park and the adjoining community center offer a variety of recreational activities, and the eastern end of the trail is right next to



the city's convention center and the university's Zuhl Museum, home to a vast array of fossils and petrified wood.

Use caution when crossing the railroad tracks, as the trail narrows to a simple sidewalk at the crossing. On campus at University Avenue, the trail connects with the <u>University</u> <u>Multi Use Path</u>, another sidepath that trail users can take into the heart of campus. The Union Multi Use Path doesn't have quite the same scenic appeal as you might find on hiking trails in the surrounding mountains, but it serves as an invaluable asset to the community.

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States: New MexicoCounties: Dona AnaLength: 1.26milesTrail end points: E University Ave. to AppleCross Pl.Trail surfaces: Asphalt,ConcreteTrail category: Greenway/Non-RT

### Trail activities: Bike,Inline Skating,Walking

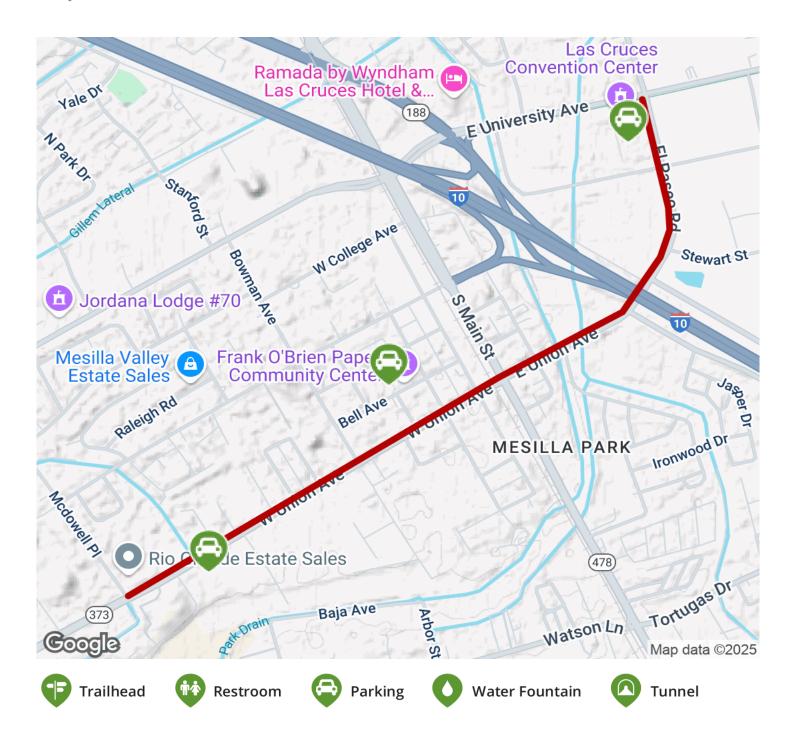
### **Parking & Trail Access**

Parking is available at the western end of the trail in the Mesilla Park Elementary School lot on W Union Avenue; be sure to follow any posted parking signs or regulations. Additional parking is available nearby at Mesilla Park, located a block north of the trail on Bell Avenue off of Bowman Avenue. Parking is available at the eastern end of the trail at the Las Cruces Convention Center and at numerous lots on the campus of New Mexico State University, located on University Ave just east from exit 142 on Interstate 10.











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