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# El Paso Museum of History to Celebrate Opening of New Little Barrio Play Area

**WHO:** El Paso Museum of History and Nusenda Foundation  
**WHAT:** Opening of the museum’s new Little Barrio Play Area, inspired by El Paso’s historic Segundo Barrio neighborhood  
**WHEN:** 11:30 a.m., Friday, June 5  
**WHERE:** El Paso Museum of History, 510 N. Santa Fe

The El Paso Museum of History (EPMH) invites members of the media to the opening of a newly renovated kids area inspired by the historic Segundo Barrio neighborhood at the El Paso Museum of History.

Located on the museum’s first floor, the Little Barrio Play Area features a new mural showcasing the neighborhood’s history along with play elements including a tenement, trolley area, “tiendita”, and paleta cart.

“We’re proud to open our Little Barrio Play Area, which brings another beautiful piece of El Paso’s history and community into our museum,” said El Paso Museum of History Director Erica Marin. “From the historic businesses represented in the mural to the powerful stories of neighborhood residents, the space invites visitors to envision the history of Segundo Barrio and find themselves within it.”

Segundo Barrio is located south of Downtown El Paso along the border with Mexico and was historically known as “the other Ellis Island” due to its role as a major port of entry from Mexico. From family businesses to the Chicago brick-style tenements, Little Barrio highlights the names, spaces, and places that make up the history of this vibrant urban neighborhood.

Support for the Little Barrio Play Area was provided by the Nusenda Foundation’s 2026 Community Rewards.

“At the Nusenda Foundation, we are excited to invest in projects like El Barrio Brillante that celebrate local history and create spaces where families can learn and connect together,” said CUDE Nusenda Foundation Executive Director Sara Keller. “This work honors the rich cultural heritage of Segundo Barrio while helping young learners build confidence, pride, and a deeper connection to their community.”

For more information on the El Paso Museum of History, including exhibitions visit [www.EPMuseumOfHistory.org](http://www.EPMuseumOfHistory.org).

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