

TRANSFORM SEATTLE – CHINESE Breakout Questions & Answers

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QUESTION #1:

It is 2030 and Seattle has 120,000 more people and 115,000 more jobs than it did in 2011. Imagine your daughter/son has just moved into a home in a different neighborhood than where you live now. What is the best thing about their new neighborhood?

Response to Question # 1: We would like to have:

- Increase services to elderly and people with disability;
- Formalize group bargain deal with telecommunication companies for high-speed internet users at elderly apartments;
- Extend the ride-free zones;
- Make more energy-efficient senior housing with solar-powered;
- Safety,
- Comfortable, nice environment,
- Good for environment,
- Multi-purpose facility,
- More tourist attraction,
- No air pollution,
- More work opportunity,
- Cheaper transportation fee for elderly people

QUESTION #2:

In what ways do you think the choices you make impact the environment?

How can the City of Seattle help you make better choices for the environment?

Response to Question # 2:

- Reduce area for animal use,
- Increase area for human activities,
- Reduce smoking areas, penalty for people discard cigarette-butts,
- Increase green area at front and back of the house,
- Design an isolated and covered smoking areas,
- More plants in parks, more no-smoking areas,
- More people to use public transportation system,
- More natural energy use like sunlight

QUESTION #3:

To help make buses go faster and to avoid getting stuck in traffic, it may be necessary to give buses their own lane (no cars can drive in these lanes) and to remove parking in some places.

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Do you agree or disagree with this? Why?

Response to Question # 3:

- Most people disagree with reduce car parking area since it will transfer the cost to other areas such as bus fares, some agree since Seattle population is more centralized.