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Question: What would you like improved in your neighborhood

- More security
- Wide pedestrian side walks
- Additional street lights
- Housing for new comers or immigrants
- Sport activity places
- Social Security office around Rainier area
- Sidewalks and street lights need improvement
- Form a library for ethnic organization and groups
- Open Christian school
- Needed a church that we can worship in, in our language located close to where we are living if possible
- Safety!
- Bus changes and additional buses are needed (specifically #7 bus needs more express routes , it takes too much time to transfer and wait)
- More pedestrian cross walks
- More security is needed
- Expand library
- Clean up the environment

Question: What is your opinion regarding the light rail and what change do you think it will bring?

- The train will solve the traffic issues
- It is important that its price is affordable and fair, based on resident's income and the economy
- The train will reduce air pollution
- Pedestrian cross walk must be provided
- Pedestrians sidewalk needs to be provided in order to catch the train
- M.L.K and Walden pedestrian cross walk lights take too long to come on- others as well They need to be fixed.
- Education on how to use the train
- Expand its service
- Park and ride place should be added

Question: What would be beneficial to your neighborhood?

- To eliminate the use of illegal drug use and sale, education needs to be provided for those who are doing this and their network need to be stopped
- The environment needs to be cleaned
- There is a shortage of low-income housing for those who are low income, so special focus or support is needed to build new housing and improve low-income homes
- Additional police and camera especially for community centers and church
- Big gym
- Soccer, football, basketball and others should be added
- Fitness center

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- Youth and Adult Center
- Child daycare and elementary school
- Movie and entertainment

Question: What things do not exist now in your neighborhood that you would like to see it in the future?

- Ethiopian community center
- Youth community center
- Library -for ethnic organization and groups
- Children community
- Safety must be assured around church area
- Support the church expanding
- Ethiopian community center and meeting places don't exist because of financial crisis we tried for many years but couldn't afford. The opportunity should be given to us to have a community center
- There are some small stores that are used to sell illegal drugs and these store should be closed or more security needs to be provided
- The environment should stay clean all the time
- Develop affordable houses to buy and rent apartments
- Expand the church to Henderson, Othello, Alaska, Beacon Hill
- Christian public school for children and adults
- More additional low-income houses, apartments and condos

M.E.E.C Youth comments

- Playgrounds and library that is secure and safe
- Parking space is needed
- Parking space for those who ride the train
- More education about the train
- When we call 911, police don't come immediately or quickly to the church and church area. This has happened more often.
- Emergency service or First Aid close to the train station
- Sport fields for youth
- Additional apartments for low-income
- Protect and clean the environment
- Traffic safety on pedestrian cross walk
- Ethiopian community center
- Assign police who understand our culture