
TIB Youth Outreach Summary: Foster High School

As part of the Department of Community Development's TIB Outreach, 5 separate focus groups were held with local Foster High School Students. Planners from the City of Tukwila met with students in their classrooms and explained the changes being considered for the neighborhood as a result of the Tukwila International Boulevard District Element of the Comprehensive Plan.

During these small focus group discussions students were asked for feedback to three questions:

- 1. What do you love about the TIB neighborhood? What are the hidden gems?**
- 2. What areas of TIB make you most uncomfortable? Why? Do you have ideas about how to solve the problem?**
- 3. What are your favorite streets and neighborhoods in the Seattle region?**

Several general themes and priorities emerged from this collection of data. The following pages highlight the input that was received and present the youth perspective.

Word clouds visually illustrate all the the responses to the questions and also highlight the weight of the answers. The clouds give greater prominence to words that appeared more frequently in responses.

Full notes were taken for these focus groups and the responses can be seen in a supporting document located in Appendix A .

A word cloud shaped like a cloud, featuring various terms related to the South San Francisco Peninsula. The most prominent words are "Taco Truck" and "Foster HS" in large, dark blue letters. Other significant words include "Saars" in large maroon letters, "Mosques" in large maroon letters, "Library" in large yellow letters, and "Fast Food" in large blue letters. Smaller words include "Light Rail Station", "Southcenter", "Pancake Chef", "Starfire", "Homes", "Tuba", "Halal Meat", "Salama", "Cascade View", "Affordable Housing", "TCC", "El Riconcito", "Barber Shop", "144th", "Walgreens", "Pool", "Laundromat", "Punjabi Palace", "Tuhwila Elementary", "Diverse Shops", "Ethnic Restaurants", "Interurban", "Park", "Stadium", "Bartell's", "Safeway", "Parks", "Everything", "Mall", "Market Place", and "Pancake Chef".

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A word cloud shaped like a speech bubble, containing various terms related to the Pacific Northwest. The words are in different colors and sizes, with 'Light Rail Station' and 'Pacific Hwy' being the most prominent. Other visible words include 'Pacifi', 'Déjà Vu', 'Saars', 'Cascade View', 'Shady People', 'McDonalds', 'Streets', 'Gas Stations', 'Trailer Park Hotel', 'KFC', 'Taco Bell', 'Ampm', 'Dirty', 'Traffic', 'Wendys', 'Crosswalk', 'Mini Markets', 'Liquor Store', 'Military Rd', 'Street', 'Murders', 'Crazy People', 'Pawn Shop', 'Screaming', 'Buses', 'Litter', 'people', '143rd St', '144th', 'Crosswalk', 'Motels', 'Whole Area', 'Taco Time', 'McDonald's', 'Theft', 'Walmart', 'Lanes', 'TIBall Night', 'Swapmeet', 'China Pavilion', 'Jet-in Motel', and 'Library'.

There were varied responses to this question but most comments fell under the umbrella of increasing walkability, providing more amenities and enhancing public safety. There were several reoccurring suggestions that stood out that are listed below. Referencing the full notes on this question is suggested as there are a number of safety concerns raised by participants that warrant review.

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What are your favorite streets and neighborhoods in the Seattle region?

Chinatown

Pike Place

West Seattle

Southcenter

Alki

Lake City

SODO

Mercer

Ambaum

Bellevue Square

Waterfront

Thorndyke

Ballard

Federal Way Mall

Island

Seatac Park

Murals

Randy's

Space Needle

Seatac Station

Westwood Village

Burien Library

Burien

Allentown

Old

Starfire

Mountainlake Terrace

Westlake

Seatac Garden

Uwajiki

Columbia City

Pine St

Park

Bremerton

Delridge

144th

Kent

Georgetown

