

To : WHO Secretary-General

From : Officer-in-Charge of WHO Global Network for Age-Friendly Cities and Communities

RE : Suncheon-si conducted research services to create an urban environment where all generations can live without inconvenience regardless of age at a time when urban infrastructure and others are unable to keep up with the rapid aging of life. And Suncheon City promises to faithfully implement the established results.

Research Outlines

1. Research Title : Planning research to build up a foundation of Suncheon City
2. Research Period : Aug. 05. 2021 - Feb. 20. 2022
3. Research Purpose : Establish plans to prepare long-term and continuous policies in preparation for the rapid super-aging of the elderly population and to create an urban environment where all generations can live together.
4. Research Results :
 - (1) The general status of Suncheon-si, the diagnosis of age affinity in eight major areas, and expert FGI and SWOT analysis were conducted.
 - (2) We set the vision and goal of Suncheon-si's elderly-friendly city and established an action plan for an elderly-friendly city that meets the characteristics of Suncheon-si.
 - (3) To create an elderly-friendly city in Suncheon-si, "100-year-old life! Suncheon, a smart ecological city where old age is happy and comfortable", we want to realize an elderly-friendly city where all generations want to live comfortably.
 - (4) We will establish and promote action plans for each of the eight areas in line with the three strategies for creating an elderly-friendly city(creating a safe and convenient living environment, establishing a social integration platform, and improving the quality of life).
 - (5) The eight areas according to the three major implementation strategies are as follows.
 - (Creating a safe and convenient living environment) External environment and facilities, stability of the residential environment, convenience of transportation.
 - (Establishment of a social integration platform) leisure and social activities, social respect and integration, communication, and information.
 - (Improving the quality of life) Social participation, jobs, health and community care.

5. Suncheon citizens, experts, and public officials are the main subjects of the evaluation index for the project through mutual cooperation.
6. Suncheon city officials and experts evaluate quantitatively in consideration of the achievement rate compared to the promotion goal. In addition, the elderly and citizens conducted a survey on age affinity and conducted a qualitative evaluation. After an evaluation meeting with citizens and experts, Suncheon-si selected annual implementation tasks.
7. Suncheon City continues to promote age-friendly projects to create an age-friendly city, and has implemented research services to create an urban environment where everyone wants to live for a lifetime.

Suncheon City promises once again that it will do its best to create a policy and service infrastructure that can implement aging friendship as its main value for life and vibrant old age in a friendly place.

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Heo Seok'.