

1. Analysis of the secondary data

- Instead of a survey on the aged, the current research employed an analysis on a secondary data
 - This study analyzed data from ‘Suncheon-si age friendliness study(2021)’ and ‘the 5th Suncheons- local community welfare plan(2022)’ in order to investigate needs and demands of elderly residents in Suncheon-si

Area	Average	Type	
		Dong	Eup · Myeon
Outdoor Spaces and Buildings	2.90	3.02	2.74
Housing	2.78	2.87	2.67
Transportation	2.81	2.85	2.77
Social Participation	2.69	2.76	2.60
Respect and Social Inclusion	2.72	2.76	2.66
Communication and Information	2.67	2.69	2.63
Civic participation and employment	2.73	2.75	2.68
Community support and health services	2.76	2.83	2.68

- Outdoor Spaces and Buildings(2.90점), Transportation(2.81점), Housing(2.78점), Community support and health services(2.78점) had relatively higher scores
- Customized policies by regions and targets are needed as there are large differences by region and age
 - Age friendliness is higher in dong areas than eup·myeon areas, younger seniors have favorable attitudes towards 8 areas of age friendly city, while older seniors show less favorable attitudes

2. Focus Group Interview (FGI)

■ The following are a summary of FGI on senior residents in Suncheon-si

8 areas	Key Findings
Outdoor Spaces and Buildings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Regional gap between downtown area(dong) and countryside area(eup-myeon) are severe ▪ Downtown has a convenient environment for walking ▪ Favorable opinions on overall environment of Suncheon-si(it is a good city to live for seniors) ▪ Difficulties in access to Senior centers in eup · myeon area ▪ Need more public and open toilets ▪ Need amenities in crosswalks
Transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Need more low floor buses for seniors ▪ Bus transfer facilities nearby Suncheon KTX station are good ▪ Need to improve operation efficiency of the buses in eup · myeon areas ▪ Need to introduce demand response type transportation system ▪ easy to use welfare center thanks to shuttles
Community support and health services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Inconveniences due to lack of large general hospitals ▪ Commercial medical facilities are sufficient ▪ Long waiting time in the hospitals due to great number of seniors ▪ High satisfaction demand for daytime care center ▪ Lack of hospitals specialized in seniors ▪ Need support programs for emotional problems of the seniors ▪ Satisfied with public health centers
Social Participation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Highly satisfied with public welfare services withing downtown areas ▪ Need to expand and improve programs of senior centers in eup · myeon areas ▪ Need to continue to operate senior centers even with low demands ▪ Need to link operation of public health centers to that of senior centers in eup · myeon areas ▪ Sports equipments in the parks and sports centers are inadequate for seniors ▪ Need more humanities classes for the seniors
Respect and Social Inclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ For male seniors, it is difficult to participate in the activities in seniors centers ▪ Need sex role awareness improvement education for seniors ▪ Generation gap between the seniors and the young ▪ Insufficient respect for seniors ▪ Agrees on voluntary return of driver's license by seniors ▪ Stickers for vehicles driven by seniors ▪ Need to improve attitudes that sees seniors only as targets of welfare service ▪ Worried about increase in social cost due too many senior welfare programs
Civic participation and employment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Needs to share vision and values of Suncheon-si age friendly city with the seniors ▪ Shortage of programs for the retired seniors ▪ Disrespect and discrimination of the seniors by the helpers in senior centers ▪ Senior jobs in the senior centers are too demanding and requires works outside of

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	<p>the scope of work</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Agrees to the need of senior–senior care jobs ▪ Need more participatory programs for more active seniors
Communication and Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Need to identify seniors living in welfare blind–spots in eup · myeon areas ▪ Insufficient PR of seniors programs in senior centers in eup · myeon areas ▪ Great interest and demand for informatization education ▪ Need class on KakaoTalk
Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Need to improve old buildings and old facilities in residential areas. ▪ Need more rental apartment for the low income