

UStemist Group 16

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Site for presenting and reporting our project outcome:

In order to have a better understanding of the bazaar, our team has visited the bazaar in Shep Kip Mei and Tuen Muen. We incorporated the element of STEM and Lego for the participants to express their ideas of an ideal bazaar. We found out the most participants see eyes to eyes with the objective of HKCSS such as engaging the local residents in the community participation.

Expected Outcome

Our plan was to collect the opinion of the citizen in the bazaar and want to know their thought toward the bazaar. We expected that we can interview at least 60 people, which include the children and the adult. We hoped that we can find out the way to improve the quality of the bazaar via the interview. Yet, we cannot meet our target which is collecting 60 opinions at the end of the bazaar. There was a heavy rain on that day and only a few people went to the bazaar. The original timeslot of the bazaar was from 1 pm to 10 pm. However, the bazaar was ended at 3 pm due to the bad weather.

The Achievement of the Goal

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Deliverables

We have used Ipad and lego to attract the citizens comes and provide us useful comment and advice for improving bazaars. After we collect the opinions from citizens, we have uploaded in the platform call padlet. And some photos have shown the process of our interaction.

Limitations and difficulties encountered

Not all the bazaars offer electricity to our booth. Some bazaars need electricity to cook, and the applied electricity is limited so it is impossible for the community to provide to us. In the beginning, we plan to set-up a projector to show the PowerPoint and the video about the evolution of the bazaars. We also hope to get use of electronic gadgets like tablets to collect the opinion from the citizens. Nevertheless, we have to change our plan as no electricity will be provided. We then bring our own computers and tablets to solve the problem. Unfortunately, there still have other problems that we have to deal with it. There is WiFi provide in the bazaars. Even though we have computers and tablets, we cannot connect the internet if no WiFi is offered. We then borrow the WiFi egg so as to tackle the problem. The method of collecting data is successful if the weather is good. We go to the bazaar that located in Shek Kip Mei in the Easter holiday. Nonetheless, the weather is really bad, it keeps raining and thundering. Therefore, not many people come on that day and we cannot collect many opinions that we expected. In the end, the red rainstorm signal was released from Hong Kong Observatory. The bazaar is canceled and we have to leave. Although it is the non-modifiable factor, good weather help facilitate the process of collecting data.

Conclusion and recommendations

We hope that the system can not only be applied in the community bazaars but also in other types of events, like the book fair, food festivals or school activities. Therefore, this can provide a channel for the public to express their feeling and opinions and hence the holder can collect the ideas to provide a better service in the next time. Moreover, in terms of technology, we would like to improve the system to have more immediate interaction between the public and the store holder. For example, once when people add some comments on the page, the holder can immediately notice it, also can reply to the comment under it.

Lai Lai Nga

During the scheme, I realized that the cooperation among the groupmates and the community partnership is very crucial. At first, we plan to make a table that can use in the bazaars, however, it is impossible for us to do so as we all do not have the prerequisites. We did change our ideas for many times after communicate with the community partnership for so many time. Afterward, we held a meeting among the group members and come up with a plan that not only fit our ability but also meet the requirement of the community partnership.

Lai Mio Nga

It is hard to organize a bazaar. It needs a lot of preparation work before it gets started, such as the need to find an appropriate location and find the sellers. Besides, the origination needs to make something new in order to attract the citizen to go and join the bazaar. Therefore, it is very important to collect the opinion of the citizen and hence to modify the bazaar. Due to the development of technology, all information today is electronic. It does help to enhance the efficiency to collect the data and analysis. I think not only the bazaar, but also other activities or organization can also use the technology to solve the problem in a quick and convenient way.

Tsui Ka Lai

After the u-STEMist scheme, I understand that the organization of an event is not easy, especially for some outdoor events like community bazaars. Since we suffer from many difficulties during the process of planning and application. For example, we cannot use the projector due to the lack of electricity supply, also our activity needs to be canceled in the afternoon session because of the heavy rain. At last, I hope that the system we created can help to promote the idea of community participation, also help the store holders to gain more useful comments.

Cheng Yat Hin

The program offers me a chance to have a better understanding of organizing the community bazaar and applying STEM technology in a community setting. The bazaar aims to increase the sense of belonging of the local residents but there is some limitation to do so. Therefore, we have amended initial our ideas and decided to collect the participants' opinions finally I hope the collected opinions can help draw some observation or insights for the community partner to complement the existing operation.

Kwok Hau Yi

After the scheme, I realized the importance of teamwork and integration of work. Since applying STEM is to improve life issues and enhance the ability of problem-solving, the theme with barriers need us to collaborate and collect opinion from the community for better bazaars in the future. The process of work is not easy, but teamwork can push us to move forward and provide more ideas for action. Therefore, it is a meaningful experience and hopefully our data collection can help our community partner and the operation of bazaars.

Cheung Ching Fung

In terms of the goal to incorporate STEM elements into social participation, I think our group has brainstormed an idea that others can follow in the future. By putting together children's ideas through legos or play-doh, it gives them the sense that they can help make a change in the society as well. Meanwhile, they can also brush up their creativity skills through the activities. It was a pity that our group was not able to prepare more technological elements for the students but we hope students had good experience in our booth.