



# Café

## Fall Summit Café Participant Responses

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### Question 1

## Why is energy such a hot topic right now?



## Café Hot Topic Harvesting

- Expense of Energy/Supply Shortages
- Need for energy
- World revolves around money
- More environmental awareness due to gas \$/Al Gore
- Money – making, saving
- Survival
- Use it everyday; mindful of use
- Some people don't care; waste and don't conserve
- Community/economic health
- Economy opens our eyes
- Others do care and want to help
- Rising costs of everything related to energy
- High prices
- Limited resources
- Supply and demand
- Starting to see effects of not caring
- Economy/Fuel prices
- Environmental impact
- Energy independence
- New jobs
- Global warming



## Café Question 2

### How can I be involved in energy solutions?



## Café Energy Solutions Harvesting

- Leading by Example
- Be more efficient in your own home and spread to others
- Reduce – Reuse – Recycle
- Live the talk - by example!
- Change the way we think & educate ourselves & others about energy usage & efficiency
- More support for renewable energies = support the future of the world
- Conservation/Efficiency, Individual Choices
- Being aware/ efficient as individuals and collectively
- Change habits
- Continue projects, get involved, and conserve
- Work with your school
- Conservation – Turn stuff OFF!
- Using less & Using LOCAL
- Make changes – light bulbs, drive slower, shorter showers, etc.



## Café Question 3

### Why is the work we are doing important?



## Café Why Our Work is Important

- Because we are the future. We need to learn from past mistakes and be proactive.
- What will happen if we do nothing? Something is better than nothing.
- We are setting examples for future generations – “A new roadmap of energy.”
- Moral Weight of Youth
- YES! Is a springboard because we start and need people to pick up where we leave off
- Make sure people are aware of how connected they are in the world and how much change they can make
- Conserve what we have for future generations
- We’re helping the environment, economy in everything we do.
- Youth can make changes easier
- Help people realize that it’s important.
- Changing how people think – for the better!
- It’s shaping OUR future – we’re setting the trend
- Important that we increase awareness of energy on a large scale
- Effects on us and world at large
- It is preserving our world for future generations
- Future generations – stop pollutions, save environment, save resources, set good examples