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In your view, what is the feminist transport system?

Feminist transportation systems generally prioritize the needs and safety of marginalized groups, particularly women, in the design and implementation of transportation infrastructure and policies. As women usually act as caretakers for other vulnerable groups, they may show different mobility patterns compared to men. Redefining the feminist transport system should be seen as a pivotal part of women's empowerment measures, enabling women to access wider job opportunities in cities through safe, efficient, and affordable transportation day and night, 24/7.

How does the current situation for women and girls in your city influence your work?

In Jakarta, women tend to have different transportation needs and face different safety concerns than men, particularly in terms of public transportation. In Jakarta, women also dominate the informal economy sector and not only travel to participate in the day or night economy but also to attend to domestic needs. To address these issues, it is important that cities consider the specific needs and perspectives of women and girls when planning, implementing, controlling, and monitoring transportation infrastructure and policies.

Do you have any advice for other people who want to be part of the feminist reshaping of the transport system?

- Start by listening and being sensitive in observation: Seek out the perspectives and experiences of marginalized groups, particularly women and girls, who are most affected by current transportation systems. This includes hearing from women of different ages, incomes, and abilities, as their experiences may be different.
- Join or support advocacy groups and participate in decision-making processes that affect marginalized communities.
- Keep track of the progress made and the impact of transportation initiatives on marginalized communities.

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