

Transcript of Interview with Maryann Ricketts by Joan Church

Interviewee: Maryann Ricketts

Interviewer: Joan Church

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Location (Interviewee): Chandler, Arizona

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Abstract: Maryann Ricketts is a 64 year old woman who resides in Chandler, Arizona with her husband and two loving cats. This pandemic has hit all of us hard but it has hit some of us harder than others. Maryann has been retired for a few years now and has had many hobbies since retiring. Her hobbies include volunteering for homeless shelters, working with animal shelters, and keeping busy with her new grandson. She has always kept busy and this pandemic has made it hard for her to see all her loving friends and family and also keeping busy. She has realized throughout it all that she is very grateful for everyone she has. In this short oral history Maryann explains what something positive is that has come from this pandemic.

Joan Church 0:01

Hi. My name is Joan Church, and I'm an undergraduate student at Arizona State University enrolled in History 494. The date is February 18th, 2021 the time is 5:00 pm, and I am speaking with Maryann Ricketts. I want to ask Maryann a question about her pandemic experience but before I do, I would like to ask her for her consent to record this response for the covid-19 archive. The COVID-19 archive is a digital archive at ASU that is collecting pandemic experiences. Maryann, do I have your consent to record your response and add it to the archive with your name?

Maryann Ricketts 0:32

Yes, you do.

Joan Church 0:34

Thank you. First, can you tell me your name, age, race and where you live?

Maryann Ricketts 0:40

My name is Maryann Ricketts. I live in Chandler, Arizona. I am 64 years old, and I am Caucasian.

Joan Church 0:48

Thank you, now I'd like to ask you a quick question about the pandemic. We've experienced a lot of changes in 2020 and many have been negative and disruptive. But perhaps it's not all bad.

What's one positive thing you've experienced during the pandemic?

Maryann Ricketts 1:04

Gratitude for all that I have and for all of my family and friends.

Joan Church 1:10

Thank you for your time today.

Maryann Ricketts 1:13

That's it? [audio stops]