# Project Details: Living through History - A Generational Perspective

Create a slideshow presentation, podcast episode, or essay with photos to tell stories about two events from the current and recent past.

#### Introduction

- Brief overview of the activity's purpose and objectives
- Introduction to the two historic events: Covid-19 pandemic and the Cold War

## My Pandemic Experience

- Personal reflection: A description of experiences during the Covid-19 pandemic, including education, fears, generosity of community and nonprofit sector, and lasting changes.
- Photos showing elements such as remote learning setup, mask-wearing, lines at testing and vaccine centers, and social distancing reminders on floors
- Brief description of newfound skills, such as digital communication and adaptability

# **Expertise Gained**

Expertise mapping: Graphics or icons representing skills acquired during the pandemic
Examples: Laptop icon (remote learning), clock icon (time management), and mask icon (health precautions)

#### Interviewee Introduction

Photo and short bio of the person interviewed (e.g., grandparent)

## Insights from the Cold War

- Interview summary: Key insights shared by the interviewee about life during the Cold War, including education, fears, generosity of community and nonprofit sector, and lasting changes.
- Quotes highlighting challenges, resilience, and community support.

## **Comparing Experiences**

- Visual comparison of pandemic and Cold War experiences
- Photos showing scenes from the pandemic (testing centers, empty streets, news headlines, social distancing, masks, PSAs, remote learning) and historical images from the Cold War (news headlines, students hiding under desks during drills, fallout shelter signs, civil defense).
- Compare the common themes of resilience, adaptability, and the importance of community.

#### Lessons Learned

- Reflection on lessons learned from the personal experience and interview
- Reflection on the value of community support and the importance of adaptability

## **Looking Forward**

- Reflection on how the experiences of both events have shaped people's outlook on life
- Thoughts on how learning from history can guide present actions and decisions

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