

## “Recovery, Reflection, & Anticipation”

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When I first heard about Covid-19 I was not scared. Then my parents started worrying about going to the store, not having food, toilet paper, and just being around other people like my grandparents and friends. Then it was little scary. My mom set up a zoom for me and my friends to see and talk to each other online. It was not the same as being in person. That was the first time I didn't leave the house for months that made me lonely. I did not get to see my grandparents. I could not be with my friends. Staying home made me and my family spend more time together. We played games and played outside and that was nice.

When Covid-19 is no here anymore I will be excited to be able to go to dance, cheer, school, and lots of other places without a mask. When I don't wear a mask, it makes me feel normal and free.

The Kiwanis can help by creating events that can help everyone feel normal and still keep everybody safe but together. An event like online book bingo would be fun and I think kids would like. Another event could be sponsoring a fishing day. It would get kids outside together and still socially distancing. By doing small events like these the Kiwanis can continue to help kids in the community to thrive.