



# CITY OF COACHELLA

## 70<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY – ORAL HISTORY

**THANK YOU FOR BEING PART OF OUR HISTORY!  
THIS IS ALL ABOUT YOU:**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TELEPHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**RESIDENT OF COACHELLA:** \_\_\_\_\_ **YEARS**

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**PLEASE FEEL FREE TO FURNISH AS MANY BRIEF RESPONSES TO THE QUESTIONS BELOW:**

1. What year and where were you born? How did you or your family come to live here?

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2. Describe the family home.

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3. If you moved away, why did you move back to Coachella?

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4. What did you and your family do for fun when you were a child?

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5. Describe the size of the town when you were young.

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6. Where did you shop? How large or small were the stores? Do you remember clothing or grocery prices?

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7. Where did you bank? What was the bank like then compared to now?

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8. Did (or do) you have a favorite place in town? Where?

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9. What were your favorite childhood games (outside activities and/or indoor games)?

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10. Were there any fads during your youth that you remember vividly, popular hairstyles, clothes?

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11. Where did you attend school?

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12. What jobs have you had?

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13. If you served in the military, when and where did you serve and what were your duties? Rank?

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14. How has technology changed from when you were a child to now?

*Ideas to select from: Television (black and white or color), video cassette recorder (VCR), computer, telephone, cordless phone, cellular phone or smartphone.*

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15. How did the Great Depression affect you or your family?

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16. What wars have been fought during your lifetime? (World War II, Korean War, Vietnam War)

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17. What were you doing when you heard the news of these wars as they first happened?

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18. Did you go to the movies when you were young? Describe the theater? How much did it cost?

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19. What world events had the most impact on you while you were growing up? Did any of them personally affect you or your family?

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20. What was your first automobile, how much did you pay for it, where did you purchase it, where was the gas station and much was gas?

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21. Is there anything else you want to share?

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Feel free to include a picture of yourself at any age you wish. We will be happy to scan the picture and return it to you.

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