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Linea Larsen, Activist and Grandmother

Linea Larsen is an activist. She does protests for the environment to help nature. She participates in marches to help the Earth, and the Earth's people. She is also my grandma and to learn more about her activism, I sat down in the comfy chairs of her living room. On the day of the interview, she was wearing a dark purple shirt with some black pants and a light black sweater. She has sky blue eyes (the same shade as me) and has shades of gray in her hair and she had red lipstick on. Linea Larson lives with her husband, Rich Lohman and they have two cats. They live in Woodacre, California on Railroad Avenue. As I asked her the questions, she talked loud and slow so that I could understand her.

Linea's first memory of being an activist was when she found out that the government was planning on sending nuclear bombs to Russia. She protested along with other women and went to the military base with her friend and they crossed over the line. Her friend was taken to jail, and while he was there, she supported him, bringing food. She went to the missile in Michigan and carried signs and she sang with her friends and closed down the gates to the factory. She was motivated to get involved because she was afraid that the bomb would cause a war and the Russians would all

be killed. She didn't know if her actions would help, but she wanted to try her hardest to succeed.

These days she continues making positive changes in the world. She wants to continue working on climate change, to make a better world for her granddaughters. She feels like the changes she has made through activism are both macro and micro. They changed her city, but also helped changed the country's view on nuclear war. By being an activist, she is more aware of equity issues. If she were to change something in the world, she would want all people on the planet, to wake up to the climate crisis and all work together to save life on Earth. This change would be macro and worthy, she believes.

Her main reason for being an activist is to save life on Earth. This is a Civil Rights issue because it affects everyone. She believes that some people agree and some don't. She believes as people change, they will support her beliefs more. She continues to work for change and also to save life on Earth. I love my grandma and I hope she continues making good choices in the world for me and for other people.