

Written statement reflecting my COVID-19 experience

My experience with COVID- 19 has heavily affected where I work. I work as a full-time supervisor at Costco Wholesale. When the shelter-in-place was initially enacted, hundreds of people stormed my store. I saw people fighting over items, people getting into altercations in the parking lot and constant changes happening at my store. This alone was shocking and added some additional anxiety when working. However, what really has made my experience difficult is the way Costco has been handling COVID-19. Some policy changes have been made to protect the employee's, but these changes were made after COVID-19 cases had been present among the workers and never once disclosed to the hundreds of members coming in. It has been disappointing working for a company that waited to implement policies regarding social distancing, warehouse capacity and time-off after employees tested positive.