

RRRB

inc.

**RECORDED RECREATIONAL
Reading for the Blind**

**50
YEARS**

ANNUAL REPORT 2024





RRRB BOARD CHAIR -SARAH SHEW

On behalf of all the members of the Board of Directors, let me take the opportunity to say how much we appreciate all our volunteers. Because of them, we can harness their time and talent to do something good for low-vision people in the community. We are so grateful.

As we do most years, in 2024 we published 52 issues of the Valley Talking News, our weekly audio news magazine. We continuously work to improve both content and format. We've also systematized the uploading of those same files to our podcast, enabling anyone – subscriber or not – access to the newest Valley Talking News publications. KRUVradiosun operates 24/7 and attracts an increasing number of volunteers, some music lovers and others fans of old time radio. They are breathing new life into RRRB's radio station.

Our volunteers are amazing. They are busy people, yet despite other commitments, they are faithful to do the many activities it takes to keep RRRB's doors open. Many read, either from news articles selected for general interest or humor, or from books or articles. Others conduct interviews. Others use technology to record the readers and edit. Some volunteers focus their efforts on the tasks associated with the cartridges containing the content.

In addition, in 2024 our volunteers were happy to narrate and record eight "single reader" books as requested by patrons of the Arizona Talking Book Library. Other volunteers narrated issues of the *Arizona History Journal*.



And last, but not least, we were delighted to have the opportunity to create three audio books for local authors.

We so love what we do.

Customer Satisfaction Survey results:

100% of the clients called were satisfied with the weekly tapes.



Comments:

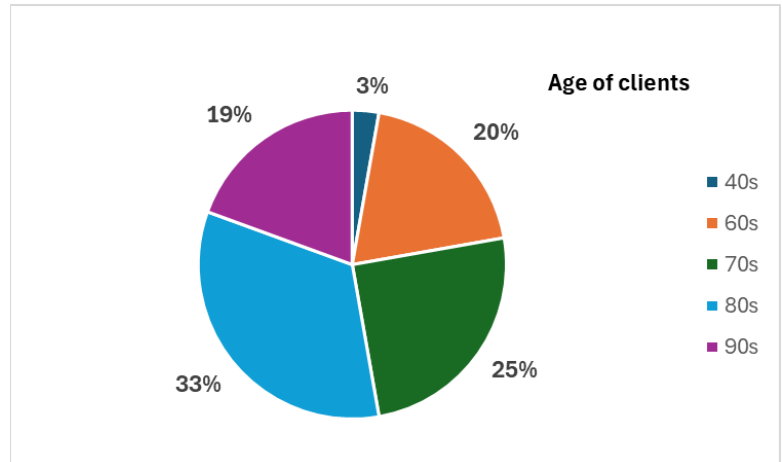
1. The tapes are very entertaining and helpful.

2. We are so enthusiastic for each week's tapes.

3. I am grateful and would hate to lose access to the tapes.

4. The Surveyor received requests for more local social events, Sunday comics, movie schedules and even grocery ads.

5. Someone asked if we had looked at getting new technology.





From: Pamela A. Edmondson

Subject: Recommendation

RRRB helps me to be more aware of a world that is slowly closing in around me. For someone who has

used screen readers for many years and has become totally frustrated trying to navigate the screen,

RRRB gives me the news in an easy to listen to format. It

is informative, relevant, professionally recorded and helps to put a smile on my face. Thank You!

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RRRB Finances 2024:

Annual Budget: \$37,460

