

PATRICIA HEATON
USA Freedom Corps – Volunteering PSA

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Hi. I'm Patricia Heaton.

You may know me from my role as Debra on *Everybody Loves Raymond*. Acting is my profession, but I juggle a lot of other rewarding roles, too, as a wife, the mother of four boys – and a volunteer.

I was a struggling young actor in New York when I first volunteered in the Catholic Big Sisters program. For me, this was a way to connect to the community and lend a helping hand. My Little Sister Carmen has become a lifelong friend.

Volunteering is really about showing up with whatever you've got to offer – whether that's reading to the blind, mentoring young people, or providing pre-natal care to expectant mothers.

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