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# Is there a better gift one can give than money?

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If it is not money, what is it? It is your time – volunteering your time.

Before you say, “I’m too busy to do that,” you are probably wrong! Everyone, particularly retired persons have some idle time. Well “OK” you ask, “why would I want to volunteer?”

Let me give you a few reasons.

* When you volunteer, you're helping others – other people, other groups, or organizations, people will appreciate you and thank you.
* It's a great opportunity to increase your skills and learn new ones.
* You will get to meet and know new friends.
* You exercise those brain cells, your whole body, and you eliminate boredom. All that is important!
* You are your own boss and decide how much, or how little, you want to do.
* You can set your own goals.
* You can pick your own schedule.
* There is a tremendous amount of satisfaction by completing and doing a good job.
* You can decide to do more or less, and you can quit anytime, preferably with some notice.

So what are you doing today for your neighborhood, for your community, for an organization or for the country or just for people in general?

Where would you look to volunteer? There are so many places. May I suggest one close by you might consider? Your computer club. There are many opportunities.

Think about it. There are plenty places to start. You will feel better about yourself if you volunteer. It may be the best thing you done in months or maybe years!