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#### **Balancing** Act and Actions:

Building Versatility and Leadership in Your Staff and Yourself at Work and in the Volunteer Sphere

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## The Less Trap

# Doing the same with less What this can mean for staff is stagnation

Staff retention is vital & not to be assumed
 Volunteering can fill the satisfaction gap

## **Building on Borrowed Time**

- Balancing act of work and volunteering
- New skills v Processing the same
- While not becoming <u>bored/overwhelmed</u>



Find it elsewhere
Delegate time
Revisit the core mission

## If everyone is thinking alike, . then someone isn't thinking.

- GEORGE S. PATTON

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#### **Balancing Backwards**

#### ➢I Like to think I am atypical (work and

#### >volunteering)- that I am special

## ≻But I am not

>My own story

# **INALJ Today: Success Story**

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- 936 have found jobs
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### **Crafting Your Balancing Act**

 Strategizing- what do I need & want? Planning- who can use me? Executing- when can I do this? Stabilizing- what works? New- address efficiency often! Perform- just hit your marks