Staci first experienced the rewards of volunteer service back in high school, helping out in the office of the Oregon chapter of the American Heart Association (AHA). It’s a cause she has actively supported, donating considerable time each year to committee assignments and planning events like the Heart Ball and Walking Challenge.

After graduating from the University of Oregon with Bachelor of Science degrees in accounting and human resources, she began her career in the hospitality industry, working for the Kimpton Group, a hotel/restaurant management company, and then as controller for Pazzo, a popular local restaurant.

She’s now the corporate controller for both Consonus Healthcare and Marquis Companies. Though her financial background and ability to create systems have greatly benefited Vital Life, Staci especially enjoys being involved in Foundation programs that bring her in closer contact with senior care residents, families and staff.

One of her first collaborations was to work with the AHA and Marquis facilities in developing a four-week 10,000-steps-a-day walking challenge leading up to the annual Start! Greater Portland Heart and Stroke Walk. “When you see where people end up if they don’t take care of themselves, you want to get on the front end and promote healthy lifestyles,” she says.