



# Groundwork OHIO



## BRITTANY BOULTON

### Vice President

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As Vice President of Groundwork Ohio, Brittany Boulton brings a passion for building external relationships and coalitions to drive impactful change for Ohio's youngest. She leads advocacy and engagement efforts to support Groundwork's goal of making Ohio the best place to be a young child and is instrumental in directing meaningful and productive policy strategy.

Brittany's thoughtful and steadfast leadership contributes to a cohesive and dynamic staff as she mentors and develops rising talent and contributes to productive board engagement. In her work establishing Groundwork Ohio as a statewide leader in early childhood policy and maternal and infant health advocacy, Brittany planned and executed 14 regional events across Ohio, bringing together hundreds of community advocates and leaders to engage in meaningful outreach.

A committed advocate for Ohio's families for over 15 years, Brittany has devoted her career to advocating for policies that improve the lives of households throughout the state. As Vice President of External Relations at Finance Fund, a statewide affordable housing developer and mission-driven lender, Brittany championed the Healthy Food for Ohio program supporting fresh food retail in Ohio's food deserts, which are home to 500,000 of Ohio's children. She also worked in this role to expand access to housing alongside on-site wraparound services for Central Ohio youth exiting the foster care system and entering early adulthood without traditional family supports.

Since 2015, Brittany has been an active leader in the Home Matters to Ohio coalition, dedicated to advancing access to housing through state-level policy changes. Brittany served as a member of the Affordable Housing Alliance of Central

Ohio from 2019 to 2024, advocating locally on how zoning reform can make housing more affordable for local families. During graduate school, Brittany worked with the Illinois General Assembly to empower family voices in Chicago Public Schools by legislating an elected school board. She has lobbied for multiple clients in Ohio and D.C., including nonprofits providing STEM and afterschool programming to Ohio children.

Brittany's career has always been anchored in public service, having first begun in the Ohio Statehouse as a Legislative Service Commission Fellow and ultimately Senior Legislative Aide. For the past decade, Brittany has served in a variety of leadership roles with Ohio Women in Government, a nonprofit membership-based organization dedicated to advancing the careers of women working in government and adjacent roles. She was elected by the membership as President in 2021.

In her Clintonville neighborhood of Columbus, Brittany was elected by her neighbors to serve on the local Area Commission overseeing zoning requests in the neighborhood and advising Columbus City Council on neighborhood concerns. Her peers elected her to Chair the body in 2024.

A proud first-generation college student, Brittany graduated with a dual degree in Political Science and Russian from Bowling Green State University. She also earned her master's degree in Women's and Gender Studies from DePaul University in Chicago.

In her spare time, Brittany loves to travel and be outdoors with her husband Justin and their two young daughters. She enjoys running the Olentangy Trail, gardening in her backyard, and helping lead her daughters' Girl Scout troop.

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