



## 2017 BOARD OF TRUSTEES CANDIDATE

**NAME:** Lawrence Ferrara

**LENGTH OF OHIO CITY RESIDENCY:** 2 years

### EXPERIENCE & PROFESSIONAL EXPERTISE:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCOUNTING          | <input type="checkbox"/> DEVELOPER/BUILDER                | <input type="checkbox"/> HUMAN RESOURCES    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BILINGUAL           | <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION                        | <input type="checkbox"/> LEGAL              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY ACTIVIST             | <input type="checkbox"/> FINANCE/LENDING                  | <input type="checkbox"/> MARKETING          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS          | <input type="checkbox"/> FUNDRAISING                      | <input type="checkbox"/> OUTREACH           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTOR        | <input type="checkbox"/> GRANT WRITING                    | <input type="checkbox"/> REAL ESTATE        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DESIGN/ARCHITECTURE | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HISTORIC PRESERVATION | <input type="checkbox"/> STRATEGIC PLANNING |

### PERSONAL STATEMENT:

#### Why do you wish to serve on the Ohio City Incorporated Board of Trustees?

I wish to serve on the Ohio City Board of Trustees in order to do what I can to help contribute to the growth and care of our community, and as a fairly new resident to Ohio from New York, learn all that I can along the way. During this period of such dynamic change and growth, it is vital as a trustee, to listen, observe, and be a voice when and wherever possible, to serve the community's needs.

#### Please describe your experience in the areas checked in Part 2. Include any special achievements and/or experiences that you feel would enhance the organization.

My professional background in the financial sector of global publishing and my studies in languages, as well as personal interests in design and architecture all meld together to give me a broad perspective on the world around me. When honed in to my day to day life as a community member, I feel that a sense of fiscal and multi-cultural perspective is necessary and useful to the board. Languages are an inclusive tool in diverse and growing areas. I have lived in many such neighborhoods and communities from N.Y.C. to Plainfield N.J.. Adaptation and understanding are key to a healthy community. My involvement in historical preservation and love for design and architecture are well suited for an eclectic and aesthetically mixed area like Ohio City. My background thrives in an area like ours and I would hope that it would bring something to the table.

**Describe your involvement in Ohio City neighborhood organizations, or Ohio City Incorporated sponsored committees, projects, or block clubs.**

Thus far I have been a steady and enthusiastic part of the Franklin-Clinton Block Club. I also volunteered on the living wall project on 29th street in Hingetown. I regularly bake for and keep a heavy and steady magazine donation cycle active at Malachi House.

**Describe your involvement in non-Ohio City neighborhood organizations/activities.**

I am currently a volunteer for the CIFF 43. This is a truly amazing festival that I fully support.