

November 26, 2025

BEE TOLBER

SUMMARY

Bee Tolber has served the City of Columbus for over 17 years and is known for her relentless dedication to community service, youth mentoring, and civic engagement. True to her name, Bee is 'as busy as a bumblebee,' actively involved in multiple city departments, committees, and neighborhood initiatives.

CORE STRENGTHS

- Community Engagement & Outreach
- Youth Mentoring & Advocacy
- Diversity & Inclusion Support
- Multi-Department Collaboration
- Public Safety Partnerships
- Program Coordination
- Civic Leadership
- Volunteerism & Service

CITY & COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE

Bee began her service with the Department of Public Utilities, Division of Sewerage and Drainage, and soon became active with the National Management Association (NMA), where she held the roles of President, Vice President, Board Member, and Community Services/Speech Contest Coordinator.

She has participated in a wide range of boards and committees, including:

- Diversity and Inclusion Committee
- Civil Rights and Inclusions
- Safe Streets
- Advisory Board for Columbus Public Schools
- Department's Mentoring Program 'P.U.M.P.'
- Windsor Swim Team & Maryland Swim Team
- Beatty Capital Kids & Linden Life Reading Buddies
- One Linden & Linden Business Network
- D.I.V.E. Academy
- Greater Columbus Growing Coalition
- Celebration One Ambassador

MENTORING & YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Bee has been an active volunteer with the Summer Internship Program in the Department of Public Utilities. In 2006, she accepted a personal challenge from Mayor Coleman's administration to become a mentor through Big Sisters and Big Brothers of Central Ohio and continues this work passionately.

She began mentoring one student at Johnson Park and quickly took on additional youth when her first mentee moved away. She still mentors one of her original young women and a young male at Columbus City Elementary Schools.

EDUCATION PARTNERSHIPS & CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

Bee has been very engaged with the Central Ohio Engineers (PCOE) youth program, serving as a liaison. She has worked with the Columbus Police Department and Sheriff's Department, completing all Citizens Academy programs and volunteering with the Sheriff's office when needed.

AREA COMMISSION SERVICE

Bee proudly serves as a Member-At-Large for one of the largest Area Commissions in Columbus and has held the Vice Chair position. She stays actively involved year-round, including helping distribute Thanksgiving baskets with the Columbus Crew.

