

Autumn Francisco has a strong background in social services, with personal experiences growing up in the inner city of Columbus. She possesses a genuine passion for community well-being and is dedicated to serving our neighborhood by addressing community needs and fostering a supportive environment for all residents. Autumn has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to supporting individuals and families facing various challenges, providing them with the relief they need and creating a space where everyone can thrive.

With a Master of Social Work degree from the University of Cincinnati, Autumn brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise to her role. She is employed by the City of Columbus as a social worker, specifically working with victims of violent crime, where she has developed a deep understanding of their unique needs and the critical role that comprehensive social services play in their lives. Autumn's experience has honed her skills in identifying gaps in support and implementing effective strategies to address them. Additionally, she has also worked in reproductive healthcare and community mental health, recognizing the importance of intersectionality in providing holistic support to the community. Drawing from her upbringing and professional background, Autumn is uniquely positioned to serve as the At-Large Human Resources Commissioner. She intimately understands our neighbors' specific needs, as she lives and works in the Near East area, and is driven to address these challenges with compassion, expertise, and an unwavering focus on empathy, equity, and empowerment. Witnessing the disparities and challenges experienced in underserved communities has fueled Autumn's passion for creating positive change.

If elected to the commission, Autumn's vision includes advocating for accessible resources, allowing the community to lead, and developing programs that promote social justice, mental health support, and opportunities for personal and economic growth. She is committed to fostering a sense of belonging and overall well-being among all residents, irrespective of their backgrounds, by modeling seeking help to reduce shame and stigma. Autumn's attentiveness to community trauma, healthcare, and conflict resolution will contribute to the creation of a resilient, inclusive, and supportive community that uplifts and empowers every individual and family.