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Trudy Bartley currently serves as the Executive Director of Partners Achieving Community Transformation (PACT), an independent nonprofit organization dedicated to the comprehensive redevelopment of the Near East Side neighborhood of Columbus, Ohio; and as an Assistant Vice President of Government Affairs for The Ohio State University. In her capacity at PACT, Trudy is responsible for spearheading the strategic implementation of the Blueprint for Community Investment, a master plan focused on five key areas of improvement (Health & Wellness, Education, Housing, Jobs & Economic Impact, and Safety) in the Near East Side. Distinguished by its bottom-up approach to revitalizing a historic neighborhood, PACT is creating tangible and lasting results that will benefit current and future generations. The organization has secured partnerships for the strategic implementation of mixed-income housing, cradle-to-college education, health, safety and workforce development.

This past summer the Board of Education approved a collaboration between PACT, Wexner Medical Center and Columbus City Schools to create the Health Sciences Academies to improve educational performance and increase opportunities for students living in the Near East Side neighborhood. The PACT partners were also successful in receiving both HUD Choice Neighborhoods planning and implementation funding. Implementation funds are being deployed through the revitalization of a former public housing site into a mixed-income community, starting with 100-units of senior housing opening in fall 2015. At Ohio State, she is responsible for local government affairs as well as economic and community development projects and special initiatives involving university.

Prior to coming to The Ohio State University, Trudy worked in the Ohio Department of Development, where she served in the following positions: Chief Operating Officer, Interim Director of the Minority Business Enterprise Division and Federal Stimulus Coordinator. In her role as Chief Operating Officer, she oversaw the following departments: IT, Government Affairs, Human Resources, Facilities and Legal Affairs Divisions and Offices. As Division Interim Director of Minority Business, she led the Division in the creation, growth, and development of minority business enterprises throughout the state. As Federal Stimulus Coordinator, Trudy coordinated the submission of formula plans and competitive applications for funds available through the 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA).

She developed and facilitated each Department Division's ARRA plan for their application process, outreach strategy, communication plan, and allocation and accountability procedures. She was responsible for reporting ARRA communications updates to the Director of Development and the Governor's Office. Prior to joining the Department of Development, Trudy served as President of Diversified Development Group, a minority real estate development company. She was responsible for the group's operations, focusing on the development needs of Central Ohio and other regional markets. Trudy identified real estate opportunities, supervised staff, and managed the financial and personnel resources of the organization. Trudy fostered relationships with various financial institutions and developed creative financial alternatives for real estate projects. Trudy also managed the financial reporting and all governmental filings to assure compliance with regulatory requirements.

Trudy previously served in the City of Columbus, Department of Development for more than 11 years. As Deputy Director for the Department she was responsible for overall day to day operations, as well as assisting the Director as a spokesperson in a wide range of economic and community development activities and initiatives, including Housing, Downtown, Neighborhood and Economic Development, Social Services Funding, and Planning and Land Management. She supervised the annual preparation of the General Fund, Community Development Block Grant, and Capital Improvement budgets for the Department.

Trudy serves on the Board of Trustees for the Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA), Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC), and Campus Partners. She is active with several community boards and is also a member of the Links Foundation.

In her past board service she has served on the Ohio State Hospital East, the River South Community Authority, Columbus School for Girls, YWCA, COVA, the Community Shelter Board; Rebuilding Lives Funder Collaborative, and the YWCA, Racial Justice & Public Policy Committee.

Trudy was born and raised in Columbus, Ohio and has a Bachelor of Arts in Economics and Political Science from Wellesley College.