

## Our Mission

Voices for Children of Greater Cleveland is a non-partisan group of public, not-for-profit and private sector organizations who share a concern about the present and future of Ohio's children.

Through a collaborative voice, Voices for Children promotes improvements in the well being of our community's children.



## Who We Are

Voices for Children of Greater Cleveland is an independent advocacy organization, with more than 92 partners, that gives voice to the needs of children. We are Ohio's only affiliate of Voices for America's Children, a national organization committed to working at the state and local levels to improve the well-being of children.

## Our History

In 1996, less than a year after the Children's Defense Fund closed its Cleveland office, Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital convened a group of community leaders to address the community's need for public policy and advocacy on behalf of children. As a result, a coalition was formed to fill the void in advocacy and research relating specifically to children's issues. In 2004, Voices for Children of Greater Cleveland separately incorporated as an independent non-profit organization.



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## To build a greater community



## we need to begin with greater kids



Ohio's affiliate of  
Voices for America's Children



# Raise Your Voice for Kids!

**At Voices, our work is guided by these principles:**

**We are dedicated  
to the health, safety,  
economic well-being  
and education of our  
community's children.**

*We give children a voice by advocating with local, state and federal legislators, government executives, and private sector leaders for what they and their families need most to thrive.*

*We work to educate elected, appointed and community leaders on the public policy and budget decisions that address the problems children and their families encounter every day.*

*We partner with regional and national organizations that work in specific children's policy areas, frequently develop policy papers, and give expert testimony at public hearings.*

*We offer advocacy training workshops, and produce a biennial Voter Education Forum.*

**We raise our voice  
to amplify the voices  
of children and families.  
Voices that might  
otherwise go unheard.**

To learn about our work and the critical  
issues facing Ohio's children,  
visit our website  
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**Children shouldn't fear for their safety.**

**Children and families should get the physical  
and behavioral health services they need.**

**Children should be able to learn and succeed.**

**Parents and families should be able  
to provide for their children financially.**