IGNITE is a national movement of young women who are ready and eager to become the next generation of political leaders. As the largest and most diverse young women’s political leadership organization in the country, IGNITE serves over 75% young women of color, moving them into political power.

THE PROBLEM
When diverse women are left out of the governing process our country suffers. Reproductive rights, health care, paid parental leave, wage equity -- these issues are determined by our government. If we have more women in positions of power, we can achieve equity on these issues.

After decades of efforts to elect women to office, it is clear the U.S. will never achieve political parity if we don’t invest in young women, normalize and build their political ambition, and provide the skills, training, and networks to get there.

THE SOLUTION
At IGNITE, we believe that we need more women in all positions of political leadership as candidates, commissioners, policy makers, campaign operatives, voters, and organizers. Why? Because it isn’t just elected leaders who make policy decisions. Young women can make a powerful impact beyond being candidates and electeds, fast tracking policies that expand women’s opportunity to achieve. Campaign managers and political consultants have an outsized influence on which candidates are anointed as viable. Policy makers can work in legislative offices to write policy. Public boards and commissions help determine policy locally and are a gateway to public office.

IGNITE is scaling our impact-driven programs to train hundreds of thousands of young women so that together we can realize a generation of women who hold office at higher rates than ever before.

“It used to be that you could say, ‘we couldn’t find a woman who was good enough to run, and to win.’ With organizations like IGNITE, we are getting to a place where we no longer accept that. We demand our seat at the table.”

- Zunera Ahmed, 2nd Vice-Chair, New York Community Board, 13

Zunera is planning to run for New York City Council and, to build her political leadership, she’s serving the Brooklyn community as a commissioner.
IMPACT
IGNITE women are three times more politically active than their Gen Z peers.

PARTICIPANT SPOTLIGHT
“...I started questioning how the system came to be, and eventually realized the power of our elected leadership. IGNITE essentially pieced the puzzle of how my community’s daily life was affected by the power, or lack thereof, of our vote and civic engagement.”

- Karla Garcia, Trustee, Dallas Independent School District, District 4

INVEST IN THE MOVEMENT
America is at a crossroads. The future is female, and it is youth-led! It is time for the next generation of women to own their political power so that our government reflects their voices: as citizens, as candidates, and as elected leaders. As an Equality Can’t Wait finalist, IGNITE received a $4,000,000 grant to source, recruit, train, and catapult hundreds of thousands of these young women into political power over the next five years. Help us leverage this moment with a gift to IGNITE:

- $500,000 - Spur political activism in 100,000 young women across America.
- $1,000,000 - Scale our bootcamps, moving 100,000 young women into positions of political power.
- $5,000,000 - Scale our Fellowship model, growing our reach to 50 communities.
- $10,000,000 - Build infrastructure to scale to accelerate 350,000+ young women into positions of power.

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