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A third-generation public servant, Kellan believes true community empowerment lies at the intersection of government, politics, and the communities those two entities serve. Kellan has dedicated his career to uplifting communities and building strong coalitions to solve the city's most pressing problems.

Kellan rejoined public service as the First Deputy City Controller in January 2018 serving as the senior advisor to Controller Rhyhart. His portfolio includes strategy, policy and data analysis, community engagement, communications, and intergovernmental relations. In his role, Kellan leads the Controller's push to look at the way city government operates with a keen eye on diversity, inclusion and equity. Prior to the Rhyhart Administration, Kellan served as the national political director for the New Leaders Council, a national hub for well-trained, politically astute and progressively minded millennials committed to building better, safer, thriving neighborhoods by running for offices, serving our community, and being entrepreneurs. He also served in leadership roles for the historic campaigns of Katie McGinty, Judge Carolyn Nichols, and Rhyhart.

Kellan serves on several non-profit boards including Leadership Philadelphia, Playworks, Outward Bound Philadelphia, the Philadelphia Youth Sports Collaborative. and the Antiviolence Partnership of Philadelphia.