

I. Daneek Miller seeks election to the New York City Council from the 27th Council District (Southeast Queens).

A community and labor activist, Daneek serves as President of Amalgamated Transportation Union (ATU) Local No. 1056, which represents drivers and mechanics who work for MTA New York City Transit's Queens Bus Division. Daneek has lived in Southeast Queens in the 27th Council District for the past 35 years. A well-recognized champion and advocate for public transportation, Daneek has spent a lifetime fighting for the families of Southeast Queens. His experience as a labor leader with a record of hard-fought victories, benefits and services delivered to working people make Daneek well-qualified to represent Southeast Queens in the City Council. As a labor and community activist Daneek knows the power of building coalitions to deliver for the community. Most recently, his efforts restored bus service, including the Q27 and Q42 serving Southeast Queens, to make it easier for residents to reach work, school, medical appointments and other activities.



Community Activist

As a community activist, Daneek co-founded Brothers Unlimited, a community-based organization that mentors and assists families in need and serves on the board of The New York City Middle School Baseball League, which serves hundreds of youths across the city and has nearly doubled in size in the past two years. He is also on the board of the Southern Queens Parks Association, which brings events to local parks and encourages residents to patronize our parks. He has also served as a mentor with Life Camp and United Black Men of Queens. Daneek is active with the Guy R. Brewer and United for Progress Democratic Clubs and served on the Executive Council of the NYC Chapter of the Working Families Party. Setting an example for other union locals, under Daneek's leadership, Local 1056 supports numerous community activities that bring residents together and provides them access to recreation, government services, health care and employment. He organized joint community-labor rallies including a commemoration of the work of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King. After Superstorm Sandy struck, Daneek rolled up his sleeves and organized members of his union to serve hot meals to displaced families and worked with local elected officials to bring holiday gifts to children who lost their homes in the storm.

Labor Leader and Transportation Advocate

A long-time advocate and activist on transportation and labor issues, Daneek has the experience and record that we need. A long-time officer of the union, Daneek co-chairs the MTA Labor Coalition which represents 29 unions and more than 60,000 workers. Through his legislative advocacy, Miller fought for working families and their needs. Recognizing how access to quality child care makes a difference to working families, he conceived and negotiated the first ever provision supporting child-care for municipal workers anywhere in the United States. Daneek led his union's successful effort to secure fair wages, improve working conditions and better benefits for its members and safety reforms for the riding public. A bridge-builder who created coalitions with other transit unions, management and transit advocates, Daneek helped to protect riders and transit workers from assaults and address inadequate snow removal on bus routes.

As a product of our public schools and as a parent whose children attended NYC public schools, Daneek wants to improve public education and empower teachers with the resources and tools they need to educate our children and grandchildren. As a Council Member, he will introduce *Participatory Budgeting* to the 27th District as part of the *I. Daneek Miller program* that engages residents and builds coalitions to meet community needs.