

Mela Bush-Miles is a Native Bostonian who has spent decades organizing and advocating for transit equity, Climate and environmental Justice. She led the community process to build 4 new stations on a rail line serving Boston's Communities of color. This is more than 400 million dollars of investment. To achieve this, she worked block by block building leadership and organizing residents to establish lead and direct civic and neighborhood associations. She now serves as CO-Op Powers Board Chair And is the Vice President of Action for Equity. Creatively she is a Master Tailor and Fashion Design Artisan and Entrepreneur.

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