

# OUR COMMUNITY OUR VOICE

## FIGHT POVERTY, VOTE FOR YOUR SDC COMMISSIONER

Your local Community Action Agency, the Social Development Commission, needs you to vote for your district commissioner. This person will be your voice. District commissioners ensure that programs and policies reflect the needs of your community.

You can support *George Matthews* by voting on Tuesday, May 7th.



George Matthews has dedicated his entire life to advocating for veteran's rights and education. He is a lifelong resident of Milwaukee and is a high school graduate of Rufus King International High School. He earned a bachelor's degree in Education and Community Education for UWM in 2002.

In September 1973 George enlisted in the US Army, and was trained as a combat medical specialist, assigned to the rank of private first-class during the Vietnam conflict.

Upon his honorable discharge in 1975, George found his true mission. While still enlisted in the military he has suffered some pain and went to the Veteran's Administration Hospital to get some care. Through much effort, George was able to finally get access to his benefits. However, because of his experience, he dedicated his efforts to helping others navigate the system and focus on veteran issues.

George started as a volunteer with the National Association of Black Veterans where he would counsel veterans on best practices, and would literally walk them through the application process for VA benefits. He worked for the Milwaukee Area Technical College as a student services specialist in veteran services and held a similar position with United Migrants Opportunity Service (UMOS). Currently working for Milwaukee Public Schools as an educator. George also completed the Milwaukee Police Department Citizens Academy and is a member of the MPD homeless outreach team.

George currently serves as a the District 2 Elected Commissioner on the SDC Board of Commissioners.

VOTE FOR *George Matthews*  
TUESDAY, MAY 7 | 12:00PM - 6:00PM

**VOTING LOCATION:**  
Mary Ryan Boys & Girls Club  
3000 North Sherman Boulevard