

KEEP THE DRIVE ALIVE

THE ROAD TO A CONTRACT RUNS THROUGH ALBANY

WHILE WE ARE IN ALBANY today, it is imperative that we send a clear message to the legislators and to the Governor that Local 100 is determined to secure a fair contract for transit workers. We are fighting for an agreement that reflects the pressures of rising costs on our family budgets, and as well rewards the tremendous 'above-and-beyond' effort put forth by transit workers during Sandy and Winter Storm Nemo.

Predictably, there has been little change in the MTA's position, which reflects that of the Governor, that we should accept the so-called state package of three zeroes and deep retrenchments on health care.

The process has been further complicated by Gov. Cuomo's delay in naming a replacement for former MTA Chair Joseph Lohta.

Today, while you are on your constituent visits, ask your legislators to join us in the cause of contract fairness by using the power of their office to move the MTA and Governor Cuomo out of neutral and into drive.

TWU Local 100 has continued to build support for a fair contract for transit workers by highlighting the contributions our members make to New York City every day, including:



- **The stand out role we played getting transportation up and running after Hurricane Sandy.**
- **The recognition given transit workers by the *Daily News*' Hometown Heroes series,**
- **Our public campaign to expose management's acceptance that dozens of riders will die on the tracks every year, and scores of transit workers are left with the weighty burden of living with a fatal 12-9.**

These public outreach efforts underscore our dedication to our jobs and our passengers, and have increased public support for our push for a fair contract.

Our bargaining position is further strengthened by the fact that another MTA union has rejected givebacks. Conductors on Metro-North overwhelmingly turned down a 6-year contract that would have given them raises in only four years – raises that would have been paid for by big work-rule givebacks and huge out of pocket increases in the cost of medical benefits, including first time ever retiree health care contributions.

This clear rejection of givebacks comes on top of last year's declaration by an arbitrator that the MTA CAN PAY.

Transit workers deserve a fair contract. With your support, we will get it.