**Steve Durako**

Steve worked for 43 years for Westat, Inc., an employee-owned health and social sciences research organization based in Rockville, Maryland. He was a Senior Vice President, Study Area Director, and member of Westat’s Operations Committee. His Study Area conducted clinical trials, epidemiologic research, and evaluation studies as well as global health projects and surveys in low- and middle-income countries. Disease focus areas included HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, influenza, other infectious diseases, and cancer.

Since retiring in 2017, Steve has devoted his efforts to volunteer services. He became a volunteer for Silver Spring Village in November 2017 and an associate member soon thereafter. He was elected to the Village’s Board in 2020. He also volunteers and serves on the Board of Meals on Wheels of Wheaton, and he volunteers for Montgomery Housing Partnership and A Wider Circle.

Steve is originally from Springfield, Illinois. He received a Bachelor’s Degree from the University of Notre Dame and completed coursework in epidemiology and biostatistics at The Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health. He and his wife, Fran, have lived in Silver Spring since 1979.