

500 FOREVER

Our Mission

SEIU retirees are valuable resources within the union, and we remain involved and active within our greater community. We can provide a wealth of information and expertise, from organizing to political action, that can be used to build meaningful relationships, not only within the union but between the union and broader communities. We bring energy, enthusiasm, time, and experience to all SEIU activities. This strengthens the union's ability to build coalitions and networks.

Meet Barb Weiner, President of 500 Forever Committee

Retiring from MCPS after 24 years at Clopper Mill ES, where she was a paraeducator, IDA. Barb was also a member of the Support Services Training Corps. She continued to facilitate trainings after retirement and also served as an ESR until she retired. Besides serving as president of the Retiree Committee, Barb also a member of the Committee On Political Engagement (COPE).



"I was invited to join the Retirees & COPE when I retired. I found it was a great way to stay in touch with former colleagues and make new friends while staying involved with community issues. It has been a wonderful way to give back."

Enjoy many
of your
same benefits
into retirement:

- Shopping discounts
- Travel discounts
- Entertainment
- Costco
- Insurance
- Financial wellness
- Education

Join Now

<https://act.seiu.org/a/500-forever-membership-card>

Important Dates:

- 03/29 - 430pm - 500 Forever Meeting at Laredo's Grill in Gaithersburg
- 3/29 - 530pm - Local 500 General Membership Meeting on Zoom
- 04/13 - Montgomery County Budget Hearings
- 04/15 SEIU Virtual Summit on Climate, Jobs, and Justice



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Dues Payment Information:

The dues calendar year for **RETIRED MEMBER'S COMMITTEE** begins January 1st and ends December 31st. Retired members may join at any time throughout the year and pay a prorated amount of \$5.00 per month.

See table below:

Month Joined	Dues
January	\$60
February	\$55
March	\$50
April	\$45
May	\$40
June	\$35
July	\$30
August	\$25
September	\$20
October	\$15
November	\$10
December	\$5

Retired Members annual dues of \$60.00 are due no later than Jan. 31st of each calendar year.

Please make checks payable to SEIU Local 500 and mail to:

SEIU Local 500

Attn: Director of Finance
901 Russell Ave, Suite 300
Gaithersburg, MD

Want to learn how to get more involved?

Contact our Coordinator for Member Political Engagement



Christopher C. Cano, MPA

Chris oversees our Committee on Political Education and works with our 500 Forever Committee to push a legislative agenda that benefits our working families. To learn more about how you can get involved or join COPE please contact him below.

Email: canoc@seiu500.org Cell: 301.385.8381

Meet Roxanne Moore, Secretary-Treasurer of 500 Forever

Roxanne retired from MCPS in 2018 and joined this committee looking for ways to give back to the community. The members of this committee had some great ideas and were open to various opportunities. Suggestions to volunteer in schools, libraries and charity organizations appealed to her. Educating the community about local candidates and voting rights, including trips to Annapolis, were found very informative. She has been excited to feel a part of the legislative process.



Roxanne received her degree in Education from the University of Maryland and taught kindergarten for 24 years in private schools. She then joined MCPS as a para-educator working one on one with students with special needs in inclusive classrooms. For 11 years she loved observing students work together and learn from each other. After retirement she wanted to continue to be a part of that journey.

She would love to see 500 Forever grow into a committee that will be politically active, a service to the community, and offer a variety of ways to involve the SEIU 500 retirees.

“When retirees work together we can accomplish great things. Check out our website, FB page or newsletter to learn more about what we have accomplished and what we have planned in the future.”

SEIU's Climate, Jobs, and Justice Summit

Come hear from experts on climate and environmental justice and other distinguished guests. Learn about SEIU's national climate program and the exciting work of our locals as we fight for climate, jobs and justice. Back by popular demand, we have set aside time following the program for virtual networking tables. Connect with other members on climate and environmental justice work!

Join SEIU International President Mary Kay Henry and Executive Vice President Rocio Saenz for SEIU's third annual Climate, Jobs, and Justice Summit on: Saturday, April 15th 2023 12pm - 2pm EST via Zoom.

Space is limited. Register now at the url below:

<https://seiu-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUrd-ihqjwoHdxyBIFS3cf5humIWtzLW7pd>



Join the Committee On Political Education (COPE)

SEIU Local 500's Committee On Political Education provides access to our local leaders through interviews and events. Having a direct impact on the key issues in our community, the committee contributes questions that are given to candidates in forums. When SEIU 500 wants to back a candidate with a donation that donation is a separate fee from your dues. When you pay your dues you can add a voluntary monthly contribution to COPE.