

Rev. Sam Marullo, Ph.D.

Rev. Sam Marullo is an ordained Deacon in the United Methodist Church. His primary appointment in the [Baltimore Washington Conference](#) is as consultant for UMC churches seeking to develop affordable housing. He chairs the Greater Washington District's Affordable Housing Committee, which supports local UMC churches to develop their underutilized properties as affordable housing. Rev. Marullo also serves through his home church, [Capitol Hill UMC](#), directing the affordable housing program of the nonprofit organization, [GRACE in Action](#). Sam has a heart for community-engaged ministry and understands the church's mission as living into the Reign of God here on earth, as it is in heaven. This translates more concretely into: social justice ministry; connecting the church in ministry with those who are poor or experiencing housing insecurity; developing church-owned property for affordable housing; and advocating for social change.

Dr. Marullo is Professor of Sociology emeritus at [Wesley Theological Seminary](#). There, he served to help start up the seminary's [Community Engagement Institute](#) and taught courses in the missional church, urban ministry, spiritual formation, and community engagement. Previously, Dr. Marullo served as Professor and Chair of the Sociology Department at Georgetown University. He also served as one of the founding co-conveners of Enterprise Community Partner's [Faith Based Development Initiative](#), which supports houses of worship in their efforts to develop affordable housing.

Sam and his wife Sue have been joyfully married for over thirty-five years and still live in their "starter house" on the Hill. They share their home with their two cats, Annie and Nellie.