A housing solution for Arlington?

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Dear Board Members,

I have been concerned about all the small houses in Arlington being bought up by developers and turned into massive luxury homes unaffordable to most people, especially the kinds of people who actually work in town (teachers, post delivery workers, clerks, small business owners, social workers, academics, and the like).

It seems to me that rezoning all single family homes to be able to build duplexes (or triplexes for larger plots) would do a lot to ameliorate this issue. We would gain more housing units, they would be more affordable, and the developers would make the profits they need. Just as it works in Palisades Park (see the attached article from the New York Times). Thanks for all you do.

In solidarity, Colleen Kirby

This Small New Jersey Town Became a Different Kind of Suburb <a href="https://www.nytimes.com/2024/03/25/opinion/new-jersey-housing-crisis.html?unlocked_article_code=1.fU0.Gq8B.kagghx750Ntr&smid=nytcore-ios-share&referringSource=articleShare&sgrp=c-cb