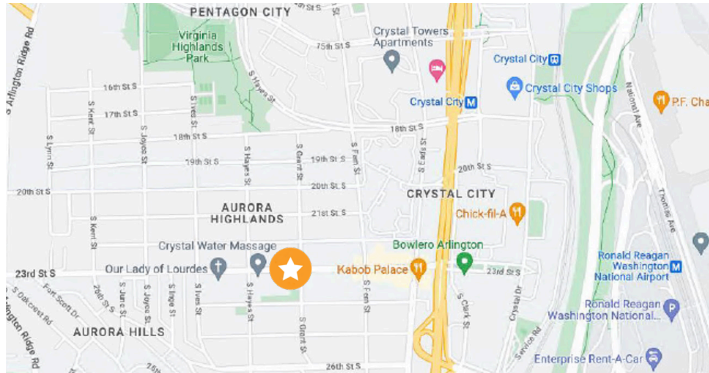


Melwood-Wesley Inclusive Community

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Fast Facts:



105 units

of affordable housing



Multifamily housing



New construction



2028

expected project completion

Project Overview:

Wesley Housing and Melwood, a Maryland-based non-profit that serves individuals with disabilities, seeks to address the housing crisis by redeveloping Melwood's Arlington Building to provide 105 new units of affordable housing.

The proposed five-story development has excellent access to public amenities, including the Crystal City Metro, located 0.7 miles away and multiple bus routes, with one stop directly in front of the project site. Additionally, the community will include resident underground parking. The development project will replace the existing, outdated Melwood Horticultural Training Center, with ground level space for Melwood to operate its on-site programs and services, including job skills training for people with disabilities. The affordable housing units will accommodate a diverse range of household sizes and income levels. All of the units will meet the Virginia Universal Design requirements, and an anticipated 30 units will be prioritized for individuals with disabilities.

The partners advanced pre-development activities through Arlington County's Special General Land Use Plan (GLUP) process, culminating with the May 2024 County Board adoption of the GLUP Study and associated principles guiding future development. The Arlington County Board approved 4.1 Site Plan for the development project on February 22, 2025.

The partnership between Melwood and Wesley Housing presents a unique opportunity to develop a truly inclusive community in Arlington County, leveraging both organizations' overlapping missions, complementary services, and long-standing histories of service in Arlington. The development will address the gap in affordable, independent housing options for Arlington residents and adults with disabilities.



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