## City of Falls Church

## Demographic Shift: 2000-2013

- 2.2 Square Miles
- 12,307 Residents (+19\%); 5,020 Households
- Median age fell from 40 to 37
- $18 \%$ increase in families ( $11 \%$ in FFX and Arlington Counties)
- $40 \%$ increase of ages 1-24; 37\% increase of $55+$
- Percentage of population with post-graduate degree increased from 34\% to 46\% (Bachelor's and High School diploma rates fell)


## Household Income Change 2000-2013



- From 2000 to 2013 the City saw a $234 \%$ increase of households earning over \$200,000; households earning under $\$ 100,000$ fell by a combined $82 \%$.
- Arlington and Fairfax Counties saw increases of 275\% and $200 \%$ respectively, along with decreases of $65 \%$ and $75 \%$.

Average Home Sales Prices 2000-2014


Average home sales price (and percent increase since 2000):

- Detached: \$716,133 (132\%)
- Attached: \$718,094 (137\%)
- Condo: \$402,182 (226\%)
- In 2002 the first million-dollar residential property was sold; by 20141 out of 5 properties sold for over 1 million dollars.
- In 2013 16\% of homes were sold for cash.


## The Cost of Living

- The US Housing \& Urban Development (HUD)

Department considers households that pay more than $30 \%$ of their monthly income toward housing costs to be "cost burdened".

- $41 \%$ of City renters and $20 \%$ of City homeowners are cost burdened by housing costs.
- Since 2000 median monthly rent in the City has increased 65\% (from \$965 to \$1,588)


## Market Forces

The market rate monthly rent for a 1 bedroom unit in the City's two newest developments (Northgate and Pearson Square) is unaffordable for two-person households earning below 90\% of the Area Median Income (AMI).

- Example:
- Northgate 1 bedroom rent: \$2,040/month
- Annual income would have to be $\$ 81,600$

It can be predicted that as new developments are built in the City, the market rate for rents will be similar to those at Pearson and Northgate.

# Out of Reach: Rental and Homeownership Gaps 

 Minimum Income Required to Rent vs. 80\% AMI

Out of Reach: Rental and Homeownership Gaps Minimum Income Required to Rent vs. $\mathbf{8 0 \%}$ AMI 2000 \& 2015


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## Out of Reach: Rental and Homeownership Gaps

How much house can I afford?



[^0]:    Source: Median rent calculated using April 2015 rents gathered via rental survey; AMI calculated using 2000 and 2015 income limits as determined by HUD

