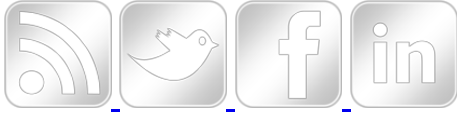


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# Levitt Pavilion And College Park Center Are Helping Revitalize Downtown Arlington, Texas

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Just a few years ago, a trip to downtown Arlington meant you were going to city hall or perhaps the post office. Maybe you wanted to visit the library. Those things are still there, but so are the outdoor live [music](#) venue called Levitt Pavilion, the University of Texas at Arlington's new multi-purpose venue called College Park Center and many restaurants and shops.

Downtown Arlington is coming alive, making Arlington an even better place to call [home](#) than ever before.

## What's Changing In Downtown Arlington

When I checked last, the [Downtown Arlington](#) website listed nearly 50 businesses and organizations that call the city's center home. But attention recently has focused around UTA's College Park Center, a place that gives the university's basketball [program](#) the home it's always deserved and serves as host for concerts, a lecture series and many other events. In a new restaurant strip near the Center, there's a deli, taco shop, a Mediterranean wrap place and much more. Those places to grab a quick bite — with nearby parking — join a Freebirds World Burrito down the road, some bars and a hamburger place.

Plus, there's Arlington Music Hall, the home of many country [music events](#) and the Arlington Symphony. Theatre Arlington and the Arlington Museum of Art are in the central part of the city too.

Downtown Arlington was once the center of activity in the city, but after World War II, people valued the suburban life more than traditional downtowns, and they stopped coming downtown. Many historic buildings were lost in Arlington and elsewhere. Before long, little was left of downtown.

But in the last few years, a lot has changed. First, a public-private partnership created Levitt Pavilion, a new park designed to host 50 free outdoor live music events every year. Then came College Park Center. A few other bold businesses moved into the re-emerging area, too, and now downtown Arlington is something worth visiting again.

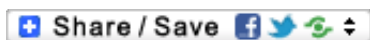
That makes it a great amenity for a city that once had a nearly-empty hole in the middle of it. Today, that hole is filling in, giving the city known for sports and entertainment some sense of community — and perhaps pride — again.

## Could Arlington Be Right For You?

Could life in Arlington, Texas be right for you? While there's plenty to do in the southern part of the city and enough up north too, you'll be impressed with the revitalizing downtown. Without skyscrapers or a public transportation system (other than new experimental bus to the airport), downtown Arlington is destined to be something unique — unlike any other downtown in the state.

Get to know the area by taking Cooper or Collins to Abram, then exploring the blocks between the two and the surrounding area. Contact me if you think Arlington looks like a place you might like live. You can't live in downtown just yet, but maybe someday.

I can show you your options, however. All you have to do is call (817) 735-4848. As a buyer's agent, I serve buyers rather than sellers and can help you find the right home of your own.



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