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## Welcome Home

In Arlington's Nauck neighborhood, this ten-unit condominium provides affordable housing for first-time homebuyers. The judges admired how **Cunningham Quill Architects** was able to create a simple, strong design within a tight budget. And they applauded the building's slight lack of symmetry, which draws the eye.

A large breezeway through the center of the building fosters interaction among neighbors and provides natural ventilation. To create a sense of community, public spaces such as kitchens and living rooms were placed along the breezeway. Bedrooms and baths were pushed to the outer corners.

The contractor was Alexandria's Abramson Properties.

*Photograph by Judy Davis*