

Dear Future Resident,

Welcome to 5442 Ariel Street! It's hard to put into words just how wonderful this home has been for us, but our oldest son probably came the closest. In 2012 when we moved in we were a family of 4, with 2 small boys, 3 and 18 months. Then in January 2015, we welcomed our daughter. When we brought her home, our oldest son was waiting with his brother and grandparents in the driveway, and as we pulled in yelled to his newborn sister, "Welcome to the house of wonder!"

This was a wonderful home for our family. It was a warm and cozy home to grow and thrive. The front room was the kids' playroom where they built massive train networks, held private concerts for the family, had crazy nerf battles, and we could clear out a full court for some indoor soccer and hockey. The dining room we could host our family for holidays or just a special dinner. The backyard started with a play structure and was the home of many imaginary battles with pirates and aliens. As the kids got older and started playing more sports, it became an open field to let them practice their one on one skills, improve their pitching speed and accuracy, and learn how to throw a tight spiral. Our front and back yard have served as the playground for nearly every sport: soccer, baseball, lacrosse, tennis, football, cricket, golf and bike races. Holidays at our house were a special time. The front yard with the space and the trees offers a blank canvas for decorating every Halloween and Christmas. We have a swing hanging from one of the oak trees in the front yard that our children, along with several neighborhood kids, have thoroughly enjoyed. Perhaps the thing we will miss the most though is our neighbors. The intersection of Ariel and Atwell has become a natural meeting point for many of our neighbors. People love to walk up and down Atwell street during the evening and the ample front yard has allowed us to establish great relationships with our neighbors. They were a blessing during our time on Ariel St. as well, watching over our home when we are out of town and checking up on us during inclement weather. The house was a safe haven for us during the various storms that hit Houston and kept us safe and dry from the flood waters that rose and subsided. Most recently our house turned into a combination home school and office when we were quarantined at home during the COVID pandemic. During this time we have explored even more of the area, with more trips to Gail Reeves park by bike to play some tennis, or explore the bike path along the bayou. It really has provided everything we needed over the past 8 years.

This was our first family home and we are incredibly thankful for the time we spent here. We made so many memories together in every corner of this house. We know you will experience the same joy when you call this house your home.

All the best,
Jonathan and Colleen Davies