Housing Type

**Multi-Unit: Duplex, Triplex & Fourplex**

Also called multi-family, multi-unit apartment, railroad-style house and shotgun-style house

**Description**

**Definition**
A single structure containing at least (2) housing units arranged side by side or stacked.

**Housing Units**
Will have two (2) to four (4) housing units depending on type.

**Most Common Types**

**Duplex** - Single structure with two (2) housing units that share one common wall or floor that separates them. (Image A & B)

**Triplex** - Single structure with three (3) housing units separated by floors or walls depending on the design but commonly stacked. (Image C)

**Fourplex** - Single structure with four (4) housing units separated by floors and walls, typically two (2) units above two (2) ground floor units. (Image D)

**Notable Features**

**Multiple units in a single structure**
These housing types increase housing availability especially when prioritized over single-unit dwellings e.g. single family home.

**Similar dimensions to a house**
The height and size, especially of a duplex, is comparable to a single-family home allowing for seamless introduction that connects with other building types of the place.

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SAMPLE: A **DUPLEx** ON A PHYSICAL SITE

Duplex with two (2) units that are side by side with a driveway for each unit.

**Citations**

**Best Practices & General Resources**
- **Duplex: General Overview - Side by Side**
  Full link: https://missingmiddlehousing.com/types/duplex-side-by-side
- **Duplex: General Overview - Stacked**
  Full link: https://missingmiddlehousing.com/types/duplex-stacked
- **Triplex: General Overview**
  Full link: https://missingmiddlehousing.com/types/triplex
- **Fourplex: General Overview**
  Full link: https://missingmiddlehousing.com/types/fourplex