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# Aging in Place With Universal Design

## Universal Design in construction involves designing homes to accommodate and be used by all people.

The great thing about universally designed homes is that they incorporate all the accommodations and conveniences necessary for independent living, but you won't see any ramp systems or other gaudy turnoffs. At first glance, these beautiful homes appear no different than if they were built without UD standards. However, our customers who have incorporated UD in their homes will surely tell you that there is a big difference once you really study the design. They rave about the increase in spaciousness, convenience, and peace of mind for themselves and their guests.



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# Features of Universal Design

- Strategically placed railings and grab bars
- No-step covered entry to house from front door and garage
- First floor bedrooms and laundry facilities
- Walk-in pantry easily converted to mobility closet for potential elevator or storage of mobility device (i.e. wheelchair, scooter)
- Widened hallways and circulation routes 32"-36" passage & low threshold through doorways
- Half or Full-length sidelights at front door
- Lever door handles
- Switches, thermostat, and outlets set to heights easily reached from sitting position and with minimal stooping from standing position
- Non-slip, glare-free flooring choices
- Non-slip, no-curb showers
- Single lever or sensor-operated controls on faucets with anti-scald valves on tubs and showers
- Comfort-Height toilets
- 30" x 48" minimum clear space in front of bathroom fixtures
- Bathroom phone jack for emergency telephone
- Cabinets designed for leg room under vanities, sinks, stove top
- Home security options



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Accessible Shower

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