



Aging-in-Place means remaining in one's home safely, independently and comfortably regardless of age, income or ability level. Using Universal Design techniques, Key Renovations can make your house a "home" for a lifetime. This includes using low-maintenance, affordable materials.

How can Aging in Place affect me?

If you are like the majority of people over the age of 45, you want to continue living in a familiar environment throughout your maturing years. To age in place safely and comfortably, you may need a few modifications to your home.

Universal Design is the design of products and environments to be usable by all people, to the greatest extent possible, without the need for adaptation or specialized design. Universal Design concepts include:

Barrier Free—Rooms, entrances and environments that are designed to minimize or eliminate barriers like steps, large steep grades or slopes, thresholds greater than 1/2", and narrow, cluttered or restrictive passages.

Accessible—Accessible Design complies with regulations or criteria that establish a minimum level of design necessary to accommodate persons with disabilities. Examples of accessible design include, but are not limited to 32" wide doorways, 1/2" and 1/4" thresholds, Roll-in showers, Ramps, and Grab bars.

Adaptable—Adaptability is a design concept developed to address problems of individual differences and changes in capability over time. Examples of adaptable design include thermostat and light switches that can be reached by a child, a person in wheelchair, or an ambulatory adult.

Visitable—Visitability is a minimum level of accessibility that will allow a person using a wheelchair basic access to the ground floor of a home.



Where can Universal Design be utilized in my home?

- Parking—Entrances, Ramps, Stairs and Lifts
- Kitchens—Adequate turn-space, Roll-under sinks, Adjustable or varied counter heights, Accessible appliances and storage
- Bathrooms—Sufficient Knee Space, Protected Drain and Water Pipes, Levered handles or push faucets, Low mirror, Counter, Adequate space to approach, Grab Bars, Barrier-free showers
- Anywhere—Light switches, Electrical outlets, Environmental controls, Alarm and Light systems



Key Residential, Ltd.

Your Certified Aging-in-Place Specialists

Key Residential Award-Winning Projects include:

- 2007 NARI Contractor of the Year for Residential Exterior Specialty (Local and Regional)
- 2008 NARI CotY for Entire House Over \$1,000,000 (Local and Regional)
- 2009 Chrysalis Award for Kitchen Remodel Under \$50,000
- 2009 NARI CotY for Commercial Specialty (Local, Regional, and National)



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Make your house a home for a lifetime. Design can be both functional and attractive, making your home more comfortable and enjoyable for everyone in the family. Key Residential can remodel your home to make it safer, more accessible and barrier-free.