

Universal Design is for everyone!

Housing is being transformed by an architectural and design movement called Universal Design, which promotes ease, safety and comfort, making housing accessible to everyone. Consumer demand for this type of housing is growing and is marketable. Upscale design and functional ease are incorporated into easy living features that increase usability by people of all ages, sizes, and abilities. Attractive rooms, cutting edge products and barrier-free state of the art features are included in all types of universally designed housing from mansions to bungalows.

Universal design elements add value and convenience to your investment. Universally designed homes are more marketable and easier to sell!

Directions:

From I-66, take Exit 44, the 234 Bypass/Prince William County Parkway exit. From the bypass, exit onto Nokesville Rd/VA Rte 28 South. Pass Bristow Road and Vint Hill Road, about 3 miles. Turn left onto Bristow Village Boulevard (at the BIG "Centex Model Homes Open" sign). Make the first left onto Poagues Battery Drive. The Universal Design House is 10616 Poagues Battery Drive at the corner of Ricketts Battery Drive.



The Demonstration House will be open to the public for free tours from December 2, 2006 through early Spring 2007.

HOURS of operation: 10:00 am - 5:30 pm
Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays
The House is closed on holiday weekends.

Group tours are available by reservation. Groups are encouraged to have meetings at the house.

For reservations and more information please CALL (703) 792-6400 or visit our website at www.pwcgov.org/ud.

Universal Design Hits Home:

New Directions
In Single Family Housing



***Universal Design
Demonstration House***
10616 Poagues Battery Drive
New Bristow, VA

*Presented by:
Greater PW Coalition for Housing and Universal
Design, Centex Homes and Devereaux Associates*



Adaptable

Homes Designed for Easy Living and an Active Lifestyle with the Ability to Adapt to Changing Needs



Accessible

Universal Design is for you!

Design your home to be barrier-free, convenient, comfortable and easy to live in:

- Widen doorways, hallways and stairways for easy flow for entertaining as well as moving furniture.
- Add lever style door handles instead of knobs.
- Redesign entryways to one step or no step entries with attractive railings and non-slip flooring.
- Lower the height of thermostats and install rocker light switches.
- Raise the height of electrical outlets.
- Install kitchen and laundry appliances at convenient heights.
- Add safety features - such as non-slip floor tiles, pull-down shelves, single lever faucets, and attractive grab bars.

Think smarter about home building!

Why do it now? Because life is ever-changing and full of surprises.

Download the free *Easy Living with Universal Design* handbook at www.pwcgov.org/ud for guidance and references to remodel or build a home with Universal Design features.



Flexible

Are you:

- A family with young children?
- A person with a permanent or temporary disability?
- An older adult who wants to remain independent at home?
- A family who plans to live in their home for a lifetime?
- Interested in housing that offers convenience and is easy to maintain?
- Desiring a house that is more marketable and easier to sell?



Comfortable

For more information and Community Resources:

Prince William Area Agency on Aging
(703) 792-6400
www.pwcgov.org/aoa

PWC Disability Services Board
(703) 792-7649
www.pwcgov.org/dsb

Project Mend-A-House
(703) 792-7663
www.pmahweb.org

**Housing and Community Development
Neighborhood Rehabilitation**
(703) 792-7537
www.pwcgov.org/housing