



Naperville Senior Task Force ([STF](#))

Seal of Approval Criteria for a Lifetime Home

Universal Design describes homes that are aesthetic and usable to the greatest extent possible by everyone, regardless of their age, ability, or status in life. Universal Design gives the home a chance to be a **lifetime home**, rather than a starter or family home.

As such, design elements are not noticeable as special features for seniors. They are, rather, amenities that seldom add additional cost to the home. By incorporating these elements, a builder creates a home for long term living.

To be endorsed by the Naperville Senior Task Force, a proposed housing development should:

1. Set aside at least 10% of its units for seniors (aged 60 and older) with incomes of less than \$46,000 per year.

Rental properties:

Rent for these age-restricted units should not exceed \$1,200 per month. How many total units are planned? How many units will be for seniors with rents no more than \$1,200 per month?

Sale properties:

Set aside 10% for seniors with incomes of less than \$46,000 per year. How many total units are planned? How many units will be for seniors with mortgage payments no more than \$1,200 per month?

2. Include smaller units that would appeal to people of all ages, not just seniors. How many units will be available with 450 sq. ft? How many with 700 sq. ft?
3. What will be the sq. ft. of larger units?
4. What will be the rental range?
5. What will be the purchase price range?