

Real Life Renos - Episode 1 **Julie Sawchuk**

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Karen Brown

Today, Real Life Renos is in Blyth, Ontario, where we're visiting a residential housing development. The builders have chosen to design and build one unit as a completely accessible unit in order to make sure they hit all the marks.

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Karen Brown

They've hired accessibility strategist Julie Sawchuk.

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Karen Brown

Hi, Julie. You're measuring as you always are.

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Julie Sawchuk

Yeah.

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Karen Brown

Well, I wanted to introduce you to our viewers who maybe don't know your story the way that I do. So could you tell them?

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Julie Sawchuk

Yeah. So like, you know, I was 41 when I was hit by a car while I was riding my bike, I sustained a spinal cord injury, which means I have paralysis from the waist down and I will use a wheeled mobility device for the rest of my life.

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Karen Brown

And you've turned into the most amazing advocate for accessibility. You are certified by the Rick Hansen Foundation as an accessibility strategist. What makes this work so important to

you? Well, accessibility is like, you know, this three legged stool of safety, independence and dignity.

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Julie Sawchuk

But over all of that, it's about energy. And if you can build your space to consume less energy doing the things that you have to do, then you have more energy to do the things that you want to do.

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Julie Sawchuk

You and I talked about that a lot.

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Karen Brown

Right.

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Julie Sawchuk

So I am helping Aaron and Gary with this build to make it an accessible unit for whoever is lucky enough to live here. And it's it's a pretty exciting project. They're ahead of the curve.

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Karen Brown

I'm really excited for them to show it to us. I have to meet them out front. We're going to start with looking at the driveway, so we'll catch up with you when we get back inside.

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Julie Sawchuk

Sounds good.

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Karen Brown

Terrific. Thanks.

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Karen Brown

My name is Karen Brown. Working in fall and injury prevention for nearly three decades, I've learned so much about how people want to live. It led me to numerous certifications in home modification and now to the creation of Reno Studios.

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Karen Brown

Today we are going to show you how to elevate safety, confidence and independence through renovating not only the spaces we live in, but how we think about our lives. I'll introduce you to the experts and show you the products, builds and most importantly, the results.

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Karen Brown

A home that works with you, not against you. This is Real Life Renos.

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Karen Brown

Well, today we're here with Aaron and Gary from Rutling Holdings, and we're looking at this completely accessible rental unit that's being built in Blyth, Ontario.

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Karen Brown

Tell me a little bit about the construction of this on the exterior to make it accessible as opposed to the other units, which are not.

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Aaron Harding

First off, we want to keep the driveway, the percentage of slope, as low as possible.

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Aaron Harding

So here it's about 4%, which is under the code requirements. We have no barriers, no lip at the front door, so the concrete slopes up towards to keep the weather back.

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Karen Brown

And then when we get up to the actual door, the threshold is different.

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Aaron Harding

Yeah, this is a sensibly designed door, like it's only about a half inch of a threshold, and the door itself is 40 inches wide, which is quite a bit wider than your typical entrance door.

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Karen Brown

The Canadian winters have a lot of rain and snow and ice.

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Karen Brown

How do you mitigate that?

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Aaron Harding

The overhang here on the building helps. We have six feet of overhang, but, yeah, you have to be concerned about the driving rain, driving wind against the door. Biggest thing would be is to keep a good weather stripping on it, to keep the snow and water out.

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Karen Brown

And I noticed this door handle that you have here is a lever door handle, not a knob that has to be gripped and turned or a latch that needs to be pinched. It's actually a lever so that somebody could come with an elbow and enter the unit.

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Karen Brown

That's terrific.

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Aaron Harding

Yeah.

00;04;08;01 - 00;04;19;17

Karen Brown

Now, the garage does not look that much different from out here, but it does look a little bit different from in there. So let's go take a look at that.

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Karen Brown

So when we look at this garage door, it is different than most garage entrances into a house that we would typically see.

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Karen Brown

There's usually at least one step often two. There's no step there.

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Aaron Harding

Yeah, so the floor in the garage slopes from the back to the front. So the water can't get in. But the concrete floor finishers, they brought the concrete back up to the same level as the door.

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Karen Brown

So the snow and the ice will stay out of rain, gets in the garage. It will flow back out again.

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Aaron Harding

Correct.

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Karen Brown

Yet it's still accessible. The garage itself is a little wider. It's about a foot wider. Did you tell me that?

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Aaron Harding

Yes, we added more width to the garage, so it's easier for them to get in and out of their vehicle.

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Karen Brown

Now, one other thing that you did that was really clever was that you hired an accessibility strategist who happens to be coming in right now.

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Karen Brown

Hi, Julie.

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Julie Sawchuk

Hey, Karen.

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Karen Brown

We've been talking a lot about stepless entry. The front door, the garage door. This is something that has not caught on in North America, although it's a very standard way to build in Europe and in South American countries.

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Karen Brown

What's up with North America? Why has this not caught on?

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Julie Sawchuk

We're not entirely sure. But I do know that there's a misconception that it's a code requirement to have a step between the garage and the main part of the house.

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Julie Sawchuk

And that's not actually the case. It's a total game changer for somebody like me who uses a mobility device, but for other people as well, it eliminates it. Any kind of a trip hazard makes life easier when you've got a stroller moving in and out, right?

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Karen Brown

Yes.

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Julie Sawchuk

And with that zero threshold, it's keeping the weather out and eliminating that need for a step at all.

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Karen Brown

I would have killed for a 40 inch door and no step any of the times that I moved. Moving couches in.

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Karen Brown

I don't do it anymore, but I remember those days. We are in the kitchen now, and although it's not quite built out yet in terms of its finishes, you designed it. So maybe you could take us for a bit of a cook's tour?

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Julie Sawchuk

So excited.

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Karen Brown

Perfect.

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Karen Brown

Universal design is the design and composition of an environment so that it can be accessed, understood and used to the greatest extent possible by all people, regardless of their age, size, ability or disability.

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Karen Brown

Julie, you designed a fabulous kitchen at your house.

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Karen Brown
What's the plan for this one?

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Julie Sawchuk
We're looking at this kitchen from a universal design perspective so that everyone can have access to everything in the kitchen. Behind you here on the wall will be a wall oven with a side open door, fridge freezer with the freezer on top and a roll under cooktop

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Julie Sawchuk
that's induction, so it's heat safe and then a work surface roll under sink so that you can get your knees and be comfortable underneath the sink for working with the tap and doing dishes. Dishwasher and then a countertop here with pull out drawers as opposed to cupboards.

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Karen Brown
Right.

00;07;07;13 - 00;07;09;07
Julie Sawchuk
So that it's easier to reach.

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Karen Brown
Access, absolutely.

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Karen Brown
And across on the other side of the kitchen ...

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Julie Sawchuk

Yeah, we have the laundry room and some more work space, and my favorite thing, which is the lower work surface, which is going to be a butcher block with leg posts so you can roll right up and underneath.

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Julie Sawchuk

It's kind of like a modified bar in a kitchen where you know you have the high bar stools, but instead you can sit in a wheelchair or you can sit on a stool and everybody can be at the same height together.

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Karen Brown

Right.

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Julie Sawchuk

So over here, we've got side by side washer dryer with double barn doors that both doors can be out of the way and then you can close up that area when the machines are going, so you don't have to hear them.

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Karen Brown

Right, that's important. Terrific.

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Karen Brown

Counter height is typically 36 inches, but that's too tall for people who are in wheelchairs or are shorter in stature, and it's too short for somebody who is particularly tall. You need the counter height that is perfect for your kitchen activities so that your range of motion,

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Karen Brown

shoulders and neck aren't compromised by having too little space to properly bear down to cut vegetables, for instance, or roll out

pastry. Taller people, on the other hand, don't want to have to hunch over to accomplish food prep tasks.

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Karen Brown

The proper height is the one that lets you accomplish tasks without strain while maintaining proper posture. There's also nothing wrong with having two or even three different countertop heights in a kitchen for the use of different people.

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Karen Brown

Tell me about this wall, because there's a lot going on.

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Karen Brown

There's a lot of writing, there are a lot of boxes. What's going on here?

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Aaron Harding

OK, so we've moved things around from where we would usually put them. We've dropped the thermostat wire and HVAC wire down to a more appropriate height for everyone.

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Karen Brown

Right.

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Aaron Harding

The switches have been lowered as well, and the plugs have been raised.

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Karen Brown

So this is the optimal functional reach zone. Tell us about that, Julie.

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Julie Sawchuk

It's kind of a rule of thumb is now six inches higher and six inches lower.

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Julie Sawchuk

So if you're talking about outlets, they are six inches higher than a standard installation and then the switches would be six inches lower. If you look at my maximum reach, I don't want to be reaching that high plus if you want to be able to see the controls. So moving them six inches lower just means that everybody

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Julie Sawchuk

has the access to controlling the environment in the house, which is really important for somebody, especially if they have a disability that affects the way their body deals with temperature. You want to be able to make sure that you can control that environment.

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Karen Brown

Right, and little kids could reach these lights, and I don't have to bend in half to plug something into this outlet.

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Julie Sawchuk

Exactly.

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Karen Brown

And there's no code.

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Aaron Harding

No.

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Karen Brown

No code that says where things have to be, right?

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Karen Brown

Yeah. Originally, that height for an outlet was the height of a hammer.

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Karen Brown

That's why that

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Karen Brown

Seriously?

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Julie Sawchuk

Yes.

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Karen Brown

Did not know that.

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Julie Sawchuk

Yeah.

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Karen Brown

All right. So this is called the optimal reach zone. And if you're doing it for somebody specific again, the OT would come in and help with what that zone is for that individual person.

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Karen Brown

But since you don't know who's coming into this particular unit

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Julie Sawchuk

Yup, make it right for everyone.

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Karen Brown

Perfect. We're in the second bedroom now, Aaron, tell me about the space.

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Aaron Harding

Okay. All our units have a second bedroom. Some people use it for different things, like an office or a den.

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Aaron Harding

It also has a two piece bath just off the side.

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Karen Brown

Terrific. So it also has potential for visiting relatives, a caregiver or a visiting mother.

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Aaron Harding

Yeah.

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Karen Brown

OK. Let's come into the living room and have a look at this, these windows absolutely gorgeous.

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Julie Sawchuk

They are lovely, and they're going to have this beautiful window sill here.

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Karen Brown

You put your cup of coffee in. Yes, read the morning papers. What's great is the hardware. So you see, there's only one lock.

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Karen Brown

Yes.

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Julie Sawchuk

So I can lock and open the windows easily. The lever really operates, you know, with one hand.

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Karen Brown

Yes, that's very true because normally there are the two locks.

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Julie Sawchuk

Exactly.

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Karen Brown

And I like the size of this room. I mean, once the furniture is placed, there is still so much room to move around in.

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Julie Sawchuk

Yep. And turning radius, you know, in front of a couch.

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Karen Brown

No wires, really no furniture that has to be tripped over

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Julie Sawchuk

The nice big open space with lots of light.

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Karen Brown

Beautiful. That's a component of wellness that we don't think about very often, right?

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Julie Sawchuk

Right.

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Karen Brown

We're in the bedroom now and you're in bed.

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Julie Sawchuk

I am.

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Karen Brown

And what have you built in on either side of this bed?

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Julie Sawchuk

Well, to give options for the homeowner, if they can sleep on either side of the bed and be able to reach the switches for the lights and the fans as well as the outlet.

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Karen Brown

Awesome. OK, now let's have a look at the ensuite.

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Karen Brown

The word that caught my eye when I walked into this ensuite was the word blocking.

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Julie Sawchuk

Yeah, about a month ago, I walked through with Aaron and I ... we talked about where you want to have things attached really solidly to the wall

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Julie Sawchuk

and when you block, you've got the wood below the drywall so that when you're screwing in a grab bar, it's got a lot to hold on to with a screw rather than just into the drywall. I've pulled grab bars off the walls, so I know I have personal experience with one in that to not happen here so

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Julie Sawchuk

we can have an L bar here beside the toilet. We can have two heights of towel bars and then more blocking behind the toilet for an additional grab bar and the potential for a drop down grab bar that would be on the wall that just comes down beside you here.

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Karen Brown

Aaron, can I just borrow you for a second? So speaking of the blocking back here, there's also blocking in the shower. Can you tell us a bit about that?

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Aaron Harding

Yeah. So typically we want to put plywood around the whole shower, but we did here just so we're certain we have solid surface to mount anything to to meet someone's needs.

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Karen Brown

Tell us about the drainage because that's a special feature of this particular shower as well.

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Aaron Harding

OK, so we have a linear drain that we're going to mount at the back of the shower and the floor will slope 2% towards that drain.

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Karen Brown

So all the water goes this way in one direction.

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Julie Sawchuk

When you have a circular drain that makes the floor slope in multiple directions, which can lead to, for example, my wheels would only be three wheels on the floor at any one time, which creates off balance.

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Karen Brown

Will this have a shower curtain?

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Julie Sawchuk

Oh yeah, no doors. We're going to shower curtain and then on the wall will be a flip up shower bench so it can be used or tucked out of the way.

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Karen Brown

And the diameter, the measurements of this shower, it's five by five, which leaves room for a wheelchair turning radius, or perhaps for a caregiver to come in

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Karen Brown

and assist. This is going to be beautiful when it's done.

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Karen Brown

Stepless entry is something that is embraced in many countries, but for some reason we in North America haven't fully embraced the concept. Not only is it good for people who have mobility issues to have a stepless entry such as this, but ten out of ten toddlers prefer

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Karen Brown

it, as does everybody who's ever trying to wrangle a couch through a door.

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Karen Brown

This has been great to see this. Thank you very much for showing it to us. Just before we go, I want to give our viewers a handle on the difference in cost to build an accessible residential unit versus a regular unit would

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Karen Brown

be what percentage wise would you estimate?

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Gary Rutledge

In our case, about five to 10% higher. So very minimal.

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Karen Brown

Right? And Julie, you're tied in with the Rick Hansen Foundation data. How does that jive with what you're hearing across Canada for commercial builds?

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Julie Sawchuk

Well, when you look at it from a commercial perspective, an office building, for example, to build an office building to code versus building an office building to a Rick Hansen Foundation accessibility certified level of gold, the studies show that it's only a difference of 1%.

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Karen Brown

1%

00;15;52;06 - 00;15;52;53

Julie Sawchuk

1%.

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Karen Brown

That's extraordinary.

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Julie Sawchuk

Taking that to a residential application is a little bit different. But when you do it right, when the plans are still on paper, it's going to

be amazing because you can move a line on a piece of paper way easier than you can move a wall, right?

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Julie Sawchuk

Or put it back in now before you put the drywall up. There's so many things that if you give it the right forethought, it will save you money in the end, because you won't have to retrofit. The lifecycle of the building, it's just that much better.

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Karen Brown

That's right. And the salability of the building in a residential sense, you've now broadened your market.

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Julie Sawchuk

Huge.

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Karen Brown

This place is going to make such a difference for somebody. How does that make you guys feel?

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Gary Rutledge

I think that's the biggest gratifying thing for me personally.

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Gary Rutledge

I've talked to some potential tenants, and for them to be able to go from a home that is not accessible and have to live in some cases with a caregiver to an independent lifestyle on their own, that that's the most gratifying thing.

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Karen Brown

Now that you've done this build, how is that going to change your business moving forward? Is this something you might be likely to do again?

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Gary Rutledge

Oh, definitely. Now that we've had some experience doing this type of build and realize, you know, from a cost perspective, it's not that much higher to do.

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Gary Rutledge

And the opportunity to give somebody an independent lifestyle, it's very fulfilling. Yes.

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Karen Brown

Doris and Dave have moved in, and they've been kind enough to invite us for a visit.

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Doris

Hi, Karen.

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Karen Brown

Hi, thank you. Thank you so much for having us.

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Karen Brown

Yes. Here I brought this for you.

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Doris

Thank you so much. Terrific. Come on in.

00;17;47;59 - 00;17;52;03

Karen Brown

Look at what you've done with the place, it's so beautiful now that it's all furnished.

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Doris

Thank you. Thank you. And now Dave and I have moved in here and this is where we're spending the rest of our life.

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Karen Brown

Doris, you had some experience before with issues around accessibility. Can you talk to me a little bit about your past experience?

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Doris

My first experience was around my, my husband. He just recently passed away almost two years ago from chronic kidney disease.

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Doris

But it all started back in 1980, when he had a serious traumatic head injury and was left with epilepsy and whatnot. And then we retired and tried to find a place that had a lot of room for us to move around.

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Doris

The open concept worked but the bedrooms and bathrooms were not wide open. As well as leaving the apartment, there was a big lip from the apartment to the hallway was very high. So, yeah, so the accessibility problems became very challenging for him, therefore, as his caregiver it became very challenging for me as well.

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Karen Brown

And Dave, did you have any thoughts about the kind of place that might suit you as you aged?

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Dave

About a year ago? I was about 300 pounds, so yeah, I've lost about 65 pounds over the last year and I've got bad knees.

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Dave

You have to kind of think about when you're getting older. There are times that you want to do things that you used to do and your body says no. The brain says yes, the body says no. So the house was the perfect setting for for me, as far as getting a place to live, especially getting older.

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Doris

Today, it's a reality. We're getting older and there's more and more people who need to have the accessibility and is less and less of a facility available.

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Karen Brown

So what was your laundry list when you were looking for a place?

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Doris

No stairs. Of course, there's no basement, so it's all one floor, no stairs to climb.

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Dave

Everything, is stepless. Everything. It's perfect?

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Karen Brown

Wonderful. What's your favorite part of the house so far? I know you haven't been here a long time, but have you found a favorite thing?

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Doris

Yeah, we have. We're looking to move the patio furniture out on the patio this afternoon.

00;19;57;22 - 00;19;59;38

Karen Brown

A little bit of snow out there, but ...

00;19;59;38 - 00;20;01;17

Doris

Oh but the sun is beautiful back there.

00;20;01;17 - 00;20;05;29

Doris

I mean, there really is no favorite part is everything about this house is perfect for us.

00;20;05;29 - 00;20;08;58

Dave

And probably for me, the the thing I like the most

00;20;08;58 - 00;20;10;30

Dave

about it is the shower area.

00;20;10;30 - 00;20;11;05

Karen Brown

Isn't it beautiful?

00;20;11;05 - 00;20;26;14

Dave

Oh, it is fantastic. I I think that should be what is put in every unit. They're big, they're open. You've got grab rails. For me, that's that's the number one spot in the house for me.

00;20;26;41 - 00;20;28;14

Doris

I think it's terrific.

00;20;28;14 - 00;20;34;38

Karen Brown

Well, I hope you have many happy years here. It's a beautiful home.

00;20;34;38 - 00;20;41;44

Karen Brown

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