

# UNDERFLOOR SERVICE DISTRIBUTION

by Tate Access Floors

Chevy Chase Center  
Bethesda, MD

**DEVELOPER/MULTI-TENANT  
PROJECT**

Developer: Farr-Curtis &  
Associates Ltd

750,000 gross sq ft  
400,000 sq ft access floor

**Products Used:**

ConCore 1000  
Modular Wiring & Cabling



## Subject

### CHEVY CHASE CENTER

When the Chevy Chase Bank decided to build its new headquarters on the last available site at the highest profile intersection of Bethesda, Maryland, they had a specific vision for their new building. One of the major design goals included having a flexible open floor plan. Foreseeing an environment that would need to change as the business changed, an open floor plan with modular offices seemed to be the best design for this project.

The Bank leased and developed the 3.5 acre, full-block site at the corner of Wisconsin Avenue and the East West Highway, known locally as the Hot Shoppes site. Bethesda-based Farr-Curtis & Associates Ltd. is the development advisor and leasing agent. The four-story base consists of two granites. The precast and glass towers have metal accents. Sensitive to continuing needs for technological capacity, the new Bank building exceeds today's heating, cooling, and electrical requirements, making it a true high-tech building, poised for future growth. The project includes underground parking for 2,200 cars; and a 400-seat performing arts center.

Tate Access Floors was proud to be able to assist the Chevy Chase Bank in achieving its primary goal of a flexible open floor plan. Access floors with underfloor service distribution inherently provides both.

Because the wires and cabling are laid on the slab beneath an accessible floor instead of in rigid structures such as walls or columns, moving a workstation can happen in a matter of minutes instead of days. Rearrange your furniture and equipment, move your access floor panels with your Power/Voice/Data boxes to their new locations, plug everything in and you're done! This flexibility enabled the Chevy Chase Bank to create an open environment that can be changed as needs arise.

The success of the Chevy Chase Bank project is a tribute to teamwork, vision and utilization of an underfloor service distribution that is second to none.

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