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## Project Descriptions

### **BATHROOM ADDITION—MIDRANGE**

Add 6x8-foot bathroom over crawlspace with poured concrete walls. Use cultured-stone vanity top with molded sink; standard chrome faucets; 30x60-inch white fiberglass tub/shower with ceramic tile surround; single-lever temperature and pressure-balanced faucet; white low-profile toilet; general and spot lighting; electrical wiring to code; mirrored medicine cabinet; linen storage closet or cabinet; painted trim; ceramic tile floor; finish with painted walls, trim, and ceiling.

### **BATHROOM ADDITION—UPSCALE**

Add new 100-square-foot master bath to existing master bedroom over crawlspace. Include 42x42-inch neo-angle shower with ceramic tile walls, accent strip, recessed shower caddy, body-spray fixtures, and frameless glass enclosure. Put in freestanding soaker tub with high-end faucets; stone countertop with two sinks; two mirrored medicine cabinets with lighting; a compartmentalized commode area with one-piece toilet; and a humidistat-controlled exhaust fan. Use larger matching ceramic tiles on the floor, laid on diagonal with ceramic tile base molding. Add general and spot lighting and waterproof shower fixture. Cabinetry has custom drawer base, wall cabinets. Extend HVAC. Electric in-floor heating.

### **BATH REMODEL—MIDRANGE**

Update existing 5x7-foot bathroom. Replace all fixtures to include 30x60-inch porcelain-on-steel tub with 4x4-inch ceramic tile surround; new single-lever temperature and pressure-balanced shower control; standard white toilet; solid-surface vanity counter with integral sink; recessed medicine cabinet with light; ceramic tile floor; vinyl wallpaper.

### **BATH REMODEL—UPSCALE**

Expand existing 35-square-foot bathroom to 100 sf within existing house footprint. Relocate all fixtures. Include 42x42-inch neo-angle shower with ceramic tile walls with accent strip, recessed shower caddy, body-spray fixtures, and frameless glass enclosure. Include freestanding soaker tub with high-end faucets; stone countertop with two sinks; two mirrored medicine cabinets with lighting; a compartmentalized commode area with one-piece toilet; and a humidistat-controlled exhaust fan. Use all color fixtures. Use larger matching ceramic tiles on the floor, laid on diagonal with ceramic tile base molding. Add general and spot lighting including waterproof shower fixture. Cabinetry has custom drawer base, wall cabinets. Extend HVAC. Electric in-floor heating.

### **UNIVERSAL DESIGN BATH REMODEL**

Update existing 5x7-foot space to be wheelchair-accessible (zero-threshold, 36-inch-wide door) and install flat-panel electrical switches at sitting level (36 to 42 inches above floor). Replace toilet with comfort height fixture featuring elongated bowl and bidet-type seat. Remove existing bathtub and install curbless, tiled, walk-in shower with adjustable showerhead, fold-out seat, thermostatic mixing valve, and bi-directional glass door. Replace flooring with electric radiant heat beneath new luxury vinyl tile flooring. Install adaptive living vanity with easy-grasp handles and adjustable mirror. Install LED lights, infrared ceiling light, night light, and ultra-quiet vent fan with humidity-sensing controls. Install ceramic tiles on walls with two contrasting color stripes. Install nine towel bars that can support 250 pounds and reconfigure storage to be accessible from a seated position.

### **MINOR KITCHEN REMODEL—MIDRANGE**

In functional but dated 200-square-foot kitchen with 30 linear feet of cabinetry and countertops, leave cabinet boxes in place but replace fronts with new shaker-style wood panels and drawer fronts, including new hardware. Replace cooktop/oven range and slide-in refrigerator with new energy-efficient models. Replace laminate countertops; install midpriced sink and faucet. Add new resilient flooring. Finish with painted walls, trim, and ceiling.

### **MAJOR KITCHEN REMODEL—MIDRANGE**

Update outmoded 200-square-foot kitchen with functional layout of 30 linear feet of semi-custom wood cabinets, including 3x5-foot island; laminate countertops; and standard double-tub stainless-steel sink with standard single-lever faucet. Include energy-efficient range, vented range hood, built-in microwave, dishwasher, garbage disposal, and custom lighting. Add new resilient flooring. Finish with painted walls, trim, and ceiling.

### **MAJOR KITCHEN REMODEL—UPSCALE**

Update outmoded 200-square-foot kitchen with 30 linear feet of top-of-the-line custom white cabinets with built-in sliding shelves and other interior accessories. Include stone countertops with imported ceramic- or glass-tile backsplash; built-in refrigerator, commercial-grade cooktop and vent hood, wall oven, and built-in microwave unit. Install high-end undermount sink with designer faucets and water filtration system. Add new general and task lighting, including low-voltage undercabinet lights. Install tile or similar flooring that looks like wood.

### **MASTER SUITE ADDITION—MIDRANGE**

Add 24x16-foot master bedroom suite over crawlspace. Include walk-in closet/dressing area, freestanding soaker tub, separate

3x4-foot ceramic tile shower, and double-bowl vanity with solid-surface countertop. Carpet the bedroom floor; put tile in bath. Paint walls, ceiling, and trim. Install general and spot lighting, exhaust fan.

## **MASTER SUITE ADDITION—UPSCALE**

Add 32x20-foot master bedroom suite over crawlspace. Add spacious sleeping area with lounging/sitting area adjacent to large master bath. Include custom bookcases and built-in storage with millwork details; high-end gas fireplace with stone hearth and custom mantel; and walk-in closet/dressing area with natural light, mirrors, and linen storage. Add French doors. Bathroom includes walk-in shower with dual-shower system, stone walls and floor, and custom frameless glass enclosure. Add freestanding soaker tub. Include two sinks in separate custom vanities with stone countertops and large mirrors. Create partitioned area for luxury one-piece toilet. Outside the bath, add 5-foot-long hospitality center with bar sink, undercounter refrigerator, custom cabinetry, stone countertop, and microwave. Include soundproofing, in-floor heating, custom wall finishes and hardware, general and spot lighting, and high-end lighting controls.

## **DECK ADDITION—COMPOSITE**

Add 16x20-foot deck using pressure-treated joists supported by 4x4-inch posts anchored to concrete piers. Install composite deck material in a simple linear pattern. Include built-in bench and planter of the same decking material. Include stairs, assuming three steps to grade. Provide a complete railing using a matching system made of the same composite as the decking material.

## **DECK ADDITION—WOOD**

Add 16x20-foot deck using pressure-treated joists supported by 4x4-inch posts anchored to concrete piers. Install pressure-treated deck boards in a simple linear pattern. Include built-in bench and planter of the

same decking material. Include stairs, assuming three steps to grade. Provide a complete railing system using pressure-treated wood posts, railings, and balusters.

## **ENTRY DOOR REPLACEMENT—STEEL**

Remove existing 3-0/6-8 entry door and jambs and replace with new 20-gauge steel unit, including a clear, dual-pane half-glass panel, jambs, and aluminum threshold with composite stop. Door is factory finished with same color both sides. Exterior brick-mold and 2.5-inch interior colonial or ranch casings in poplar or equal prefinished to match door color. Replace existing lockset.

## **GRAND ENTRANCE—FIBERGLASS**

Remove existing 3-0/6-8 entry door and cut and reframe opening for a 12-36-12 entrance door with dual sidelights. Move double-gang electrical box with two switches. Fiberglass door blank matches upscale entry, including color, threshold, lockset, and decorative half-glass; sidelights match door. PVC-wrapped exterior trim in color to match existing trim; wider interior colonial or ranch casings (3.5-inch to cover new jack studs) in hardwood stained to match door. All work to be completed in one day.

## **GARAGE DOOR REPLACEMENT**

Remove and dispose of existing 16x7-foot garage door and tracks. Install new four-section garage door on new heavy-duty galvanized steel tracks; reuse existing motorized opener. New door has a lifetime warranty, and is made with high-tensile-strength steel with two coats of factory-applied paint, is foam insulated to minimum R-12, and includes thermal seals between pinch-resistant panels. Windows in top panel are ½-inch insulated glass. Hardware includes galvanized steel hinges and ball-bearing urethane rollers.

## **MANUFACTURED STONE VENEER**

Remove 300-square-foot continuous band of

existing vinyl siding from bottom third of street-facing façade. Replace with adhered manufactured stone veneer, including 36 linear feet (LF) of sills, 40 LF of corners, and one address block. Installation includes two separate layers of water-resistive barrier laid over bare sheathing, corrosion-resistant lath and fasteners, and nominal ½-inch-thick mortar scratch coat and setting bed. Outline entry archway; use an 8x10-inch keystone and a soldier course of flats on either side.

## **SIDING REPLACEMENT—FIBER CEMENT**

Replace 1,250 square feet of existing siding with new fiber-cement siding, factory primed and factory painted, and installed to manufacturer's specifications. Include factory trim at all openings and corners.

## **SIDING REPLACEMENT—VINYL**

Replace 1,250 square feet of existing siding with new vinyl siding installed to manufacturer's specifications. Include factory trim at all openings and corners.

## **WINDOW REPLACEMENT—VINYL**

Replace 10 existing 3x5-foot double-hung windows with insulated, low-E, simulated-divided-light vinyl windows with a custom-color exterior finish. Trim exterior to match existing; do not disturb existing interior trim.

## **WINDOW REPLACEMENT—WOOD**

Replace 10 existing 3x5-foot double-hung windows with insulated, low-E, simulated-divided-light wood windows. Interior finish of stained hardwood; exterior finish of custom-color aluminum cladding. Trim exterior to match existing; do not disturb existing interior trim.

## **ROOFING REPLACEMENT— ASPHALT SHINGLES**

Remove and dispose of existing roofing to bare wood sheathing. Install 30 squares of min. 235-lb. fiberglass asphalt

shingles (min. 25-year warranty) with new 30-lb. felt (or equivalent synthetic) underlayment, galvanized drip edge, and mill-finish aluminum flashing. Assume a rectangular hip roof; custom flashing at two average-size skylights; and custom cap treatment at vented ridge.

### ROOFING REPLACEMENT—METAL

Remove and dispose of existing roofing to bare wood sheathing. Install ice-barrier membrane at roof perimeter, and premium-grade synthetic underlayment over roof. Install 3,000 square feet of prefinished, standing-seam metal roofing with matching pre-formed accessories, including drip edge, gable trim, and vented ridge flashing. Assume a rectangular hip roof; custom flashing at two average-size skylights; custom cap treatment at vented ridge.

### HVAC CONVERSION—ELECTRIFICATION

Convert from fossil-fuel-burning furnace to electric heat pump for heating and cooling 2,000-square-foot home. Remove and dispose of existing furnace. Remove and recycle and dispose of existing metal ductwork from basement, crawlspace, or attic. (Project assumes that no asbestos exists on furnace or existing ductwork.) Remove grilles and patch drywall; touch up paint on ceiling and wall areas to cover over 10 existing supply ducts and two return ducts (existing ducts abandoned inside walls and ceilings). Install new double-pole, 40-amp breaker in service panel. Run new, 230/208V, 1-phase, 60 Hz wire (UF 6/2 with ground) from service panel to disconnect box within line of sight of new heat pump outdoor coil. Install new 60-foot UF-B 6/2 running underground from outdoor unit to disconnect box. Install new 48,000-Btu inverter-type heat pump. Install five line sets (average 70 feet each) and five indoor wall units (two 9,000-Btu units in bedroom, one 6,000-Btu unit in smaller bedroom, and two 12,000-Btu units in main living areas).

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	Job Cost	Resale Value	Cost Recouped	Job Cost	Resale Value	Cost Recouped	Job Cost	Resale Value	Cost Recouped
Bathroom Addition   Midrange	\$ 58,487	\$ 19,834	33.9%	\$ 57,636	\$ 16,637	28.9%	\$ 57,090	\$ 17,237	30.2%
Bathroom Addition   Upscale	107,261	30,290	28.2%	105,798	27,314	25.8%	104,733	27,830	26.6%
Bath Remodel   Midrange	25,185	15,414	61.2%	24,909	15,985	64.2%	24,606	16,413	66.7%
Bath Remodel   Upscale	77,425	28,876	37.3%	77,299	27,412	35.5%	76,827	28,203	36.7%
Bath Remodel   Universal Design	38,862	17,397	44.8%	40,220	17,311	43.0%	39,710	18,270	46.0%
Minor Kitchen Remodel   Midrange	27,244	19,480	71.5%	26,488	19,668	74.3%	26,790	22,963	85.7%
Major Kitchen Remodel   Midrange	84,072	29,876	35.5%	81,346	29,560	36.3%	77,939	32,574	41.8%
Major Kitchen Remodel   Upscale	160,034	45,005	28.1%	157,625	44,735	28.4%	154,483	48,913	31.7%
Master Suite Addition   Midrange	164,768	51,502	31.3%	158,132	47,658	30.1%	157,855	47,343	30.0%
Master Suite Addition   Upscale	339,955	79,043	23.3%	327,858	73,903	22.5%	325,504	73,875	22.7%
Deck Addition   Composite	23,783	8,057	33.9%	24,614	7,745	31.5%	23,430	9,325	39.8%
Deck Addition   Wood	18,822	6,992	37.1%	17,676	6,120	34.6%	17,051	8,553	50.2%
Entry Door Replacement   Steel	3,701	1,876	50.7%	3,748	1,552	41.4%	2,214	2,235	100.9%
Grand Entrance   Fiberglass	11,672	4,908	85.3%	11,016	4,454	40.4%	10,823	5,457	50.4%
Garage Door Replacement	4,586	4,475	97.6%	4,473	3,595	80.4%	4,302	4,418	102.7%
Window Replacement   Vinyl	21,603	12,926	59.8%	21,169	11,992	56.6%	20,091	13,766	68.5%
Window Replacement   Wood	24,848	14,765	59.4%	24,184	13,584	56.2%	24,376	14,912	61.2%
Siding Replacement   Fiber-Cement	23,585	17,336	73.5%	20,940	14,033	67.0%	19,361	17,129	88.5%
Siding Replacement   Vinyl	19,416	13,930	71.7%	17,704	12,934	73.1%	16,348	15,485	94.7%
Manufactured Stone Veneer	11,486	11,937	103.9%	11,307	11,597	102.6%	10,925	11,177	102.3%
Roofing Replacement   Asphalt Shingles	29,654	16,372	62.9%	29,961	14,920	49.8%	29,136	17,807	61.1%
Roofing Replacement   Metal	48,892	20,975	42.9%	49,805	21,171	42.5%	47,414	23,163	48.9%
HVAC Conversion   Electrification	18,679	17,987	96.3%	17,745	17,333	97.7%	17,747	18,366	103.5%