

2008 Remodelers Showcase Awards

Home Rehabilitation: \$60,000 - \$100,000



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This mid-century home was recently purchased by an empty-nester couple with a large extended local family. The home was previously occupied by the original owner, and no updates had ever been performed. The new owners were coming from a larger home and happy to downsize overall square footage, however, they did not want to give up space for important and frequent family functions.

The primary item to tackle was the original kitchen, which was cramped, dark and did not allow for communication between the cook and anyone else. We employed a local kitchen designer to help identify the parameters of a



well-planned layout. Upon the interview with the owner it was determined that a large workspace coupled with overflow seating was a top priority, along with a nook for home office functions.

A load bearing wall was removed under the direction of a structural engineer. This allowed for a vast expansion into the previous living room and brought the new kitchen and dining area together.

Shallow glass overhead cabinetry was selected at the peninsula between the kitchen and dining area since the ceiling heights were limited to eight feet.



This allowed for natural light to penetrate into the kitchen through the large windows at the front of the house, and also allowed for open communication between the kitchen and dining area. New hardwood flooring was installed in the kitchen and dining area to help bring the two rooms together.

