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EXCELLENCE IN DESIGN: SOUTHWEST AND CENTRAL OHIO



ABOVE, FROM THE TOP: Opening walls greatly enhanced the flow in this kitchen, living, and dining room area. Detailed paneling disguises additional storage space. Warm wood beams span the length of the living room, adding visual interest and demonstrating meticulous craftsmanship. TOP RIGHT: Natural light floods the living room and highlights architectural features.

Crafted With Care

With a methodical and collaborative process, Legacy Builders Group creates exciting new spaces!

The subtle nuances that differentiate quality craftsmanship—such as elevated functionality, thoughtful linearity, and the seamless integration of durable materials—can be the difference between days and decades of purposeful use. Bill Haussler and Chris Otte, founders and lead designers of Legacy Builders Group, know this firsthand.

This Greater Cincinnati design-build firm provides Cincinnatians with services from consultation and conceptualization to design and construction. “We’re a single source for clients,” Haussler says. “Instead of working separately with a design firm and a contractor, they can consult with everyone under one roof. We move through the process together.”

Legacy uses its years of training, experience, and resources to serve and advocate for their clients. And the firm’s process, coined The Legacy Way, emphasizes values such as trust, respect, efficiency, responsibility, and organization—leading to a finished project that meets their clients’ unique goals, needs, and wants.

“We listen to their ideas and identify the pain points that are driving the decision to remodel their home,” Otte says. “Afterwards, we start drawing up solutions.”

For one Hyde Park family that had outgrown their small living and kitchen space, less compartmentalization and more functionality was the way forward. Tearing down a back wall allowed for dining space and room to roam. A sleek marble fireplace is framed by contemporary beams and linear bookcases. Abundant storage space, cleverly disguised by push-to-open paneling, is both architecturally sound and aesthetically pleasing.

Haussler says that while the Legacy team enjoys the opportunity for creative engagement, nothing is more meaningful to them than changing lives through functional, beautiful spaces. “So much of what we do makes everyday living easier,” he concludes. “That’s the most exciting thing for us.”