

Decked Out for Food and Fun



Client Overview

Todd and Mary Pascoe needed a new deck. The old one in their Bloomington backyard was falling apart, admittedly from lack of upkeep and neglect in replacing aged and broken boards.

Mary says, "Our deck was no longer safe for our kids to play on, so we needed to do something before they or someone else got hurt. We also wanted a deck that would accommodate outdoor gatherings and parties with family and friends, and truly increase the square footage of our living space."

Challenge

The Pascoe's say their greatest challenge was building a deck within their budget. Unfortunately, the deck was determined to be rotted throughout, except for the footings, so a tear down and rebuild was necessary.

Solution

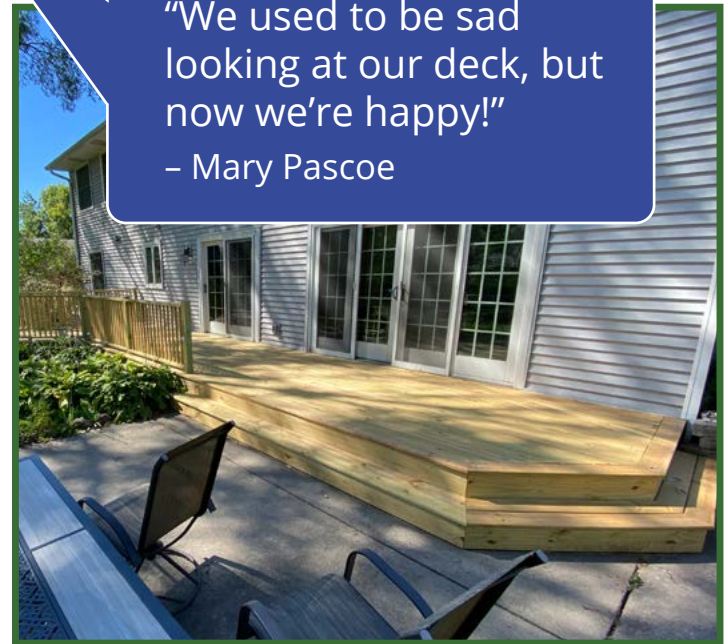
Minnehaha Remodeling Construction Foreman Don Stacy sat down with the Pascoe's to talk through their options for building the deck from scratch. They worked with Don on a design for the deck that would run the length of the back of their house, with the main space aligned with their two patio doors. "Mary says, "We wanted to be able to open those doors and walk onto the deck, like moving from room to room in our house, and the plan accommodated that."

"Don helped us choose cedar as the building material, along with a stain we liked, and a sealer," says Mary. "He also worked a nook for a small table and chairs into the design. He kept us in the loop throughout the project with good communication, and progress updates. He also did a great job of cleaning up and hauling away debris. "We didn't find a single forgotten screw on the ground, and we felt safe and secure on our new deck."

Results

Mary says it's a relief to know the deck is safe and secure for her kids to climb on, and it's become the gathering space they wanted. "We have dinners out there, and the kids love setting the table. It's also been great to have a space to gather with family and friends during Covid.

Mary concludes, "We love our house and love being in it, and I'm so happy to have the additional square footage the deck creates. We used to be sad looking at our deck, but now we're happy! I look at it from the yard, and it warms my heart. I'm no longer worried that people will fall through the boards. This deck is strong and will last for many years."



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