

HINTS FOR HOMEOWNERS

Keeping Pace When You're Out Of Space

(NAPSA)—If you—or your youngsters—keep so much stuff in the closet that you often can't find what you're looking for, you're not alone. The National Association of Professional Organizers cared for more than 70,000 unorganized people last year. Another organization, Clutterers Anonymous, has chapters in 22 states and offers a 12-step recovery program.

Fortunately, you may find it easier to attack your cluttered closet problem.

Here Are Some Tips:

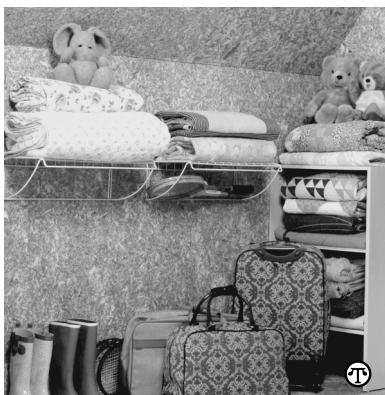
- Go through your closet and figure out what you really use or wear. If you haven't worn an item in a year, donate it to charity.

- Consider separating your clothes by season. If it's 20 degrees outside, do you really need that lightweight suit hanging in your closet? By comparison, if it's 80 degrees outside, what are bulky sweaters doing in there?

- If blankets, quilts, boots, luggage and your child's unused stuffed animals are sitting in your bedroom closet, move them to the attic—one of the most underutilized spaces in the American home.

- Check out home centers for closet-organizing systems with shelves and drawers that can help maximize space in your bedroom closets.

"Closet-organizing systems are functional and look great but will call undue attention to those plain white closet walls," says Cedar-Safe Home Improvement Expert Pat Simpson, host of HGTV's "Fix it Up!" "Cedar closet liner planks will make your closet look great, and the cedar scent is a natural air freshener."



Here's a tip-top idea for adding storage space to your home: Add cedar panels to attic walls for an easily accessible and organized area.

The Benefits of Cedar Liners

Cedar liners also naturally resist and repel silverfish, as well as moths that can damage wool suits and sweaters. The liners even help protect against mildew.

By adding 4' x 8' cedar panels to attic walls, you can easily turn that area into an extra, off-season storage space that is easily accessible and organized.

"Cedar panels offer a natural, functional benefit in the attic because they keep the insects and mildew away," says Simpson. "The panels also cover up those ugly two-by-fours, giving your attic a more upscale look."

You can line your closet walls or attic with cedar planks or panels for just a few hundred dollars and a few hours of your time.

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