HINTS FOR HOMEOWNERS

Building A Home's Equity



Sunrooms are estimated to return 60 percent of their value (up to 98 percent in the Midwest region) when a home is resold, yet they can be built for one-third the cost of wood-frame sunroom additions.

(NAPSA)—If you're remodeling or adding on to your house, you may be adding to your home equity as well.

It is estimated that glassenclosed patio rooms return 60 percent of their initial value when homes are resold—and building them costs about one-third as much as a wood-frame sunroom addition.

Most homeowners build sunrooms for relaxation, protection from the elements (including insects) and added living space. According to the industry, more than 500,000 Americans build a sunroom each year.

The best way to build a room to your liking may be to work with a company that custom manufactures sunrooms. For example, PGT NatureScape® Patio Rooms are custom-built for all seasons. In addition, the company has materials that let homeowners enclose their existing porches and patios, helping turn them into all-weather family rooms. Available rooms include:

Three-Season Room—The

Three-Season room is screened in to keep the bugs out and let the breeze blow through. Homeowners can upgrade from screens to windows without any structural changes to the porch. The company offers what's called Eze-Breeze® Sliding Panels that fit directly over screen panels. The windows are weather resistant, shatter-proof and can be opened to provide 75 percent ventilation.

• Three-Season Glass Room— The room is built with the same grade windows used in new home construction. The windows have interlocking meeting rails that prevent air and water from infiltrating the house and they meet entry standards for home security.

• The All-Season Room—Lets homeowners enjoy the outside, whatever the weather. They come with three-inch thermally broken wall panels and vinyl window frames for maximum climate control.

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