

Searching for your dream home?

You may already live there.

If your dream home is the one where you currently live, give yourself a pat on the back, you've made it!

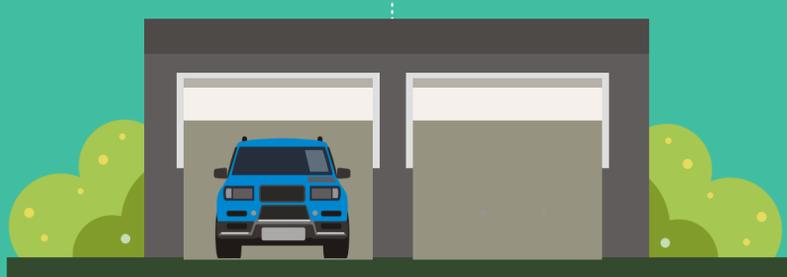
But, if you're like the rest of us, you could probably dream bigger when it comes to the aspects of your home. Dreaming is fun, healthy, and is the first step to realizing your home's potential.

Try this: each time you pull in your driveway – picture your house, not how it is, but how it could be.



Building a Detached Garage

\$9,000 - \$20,000¹



A detached garage can be so much more than a place for your cars. It could also have an area (designed to match your specific dream) for tinkering, fixing, storage, or maybe even some room for couches and a TV. But, on top of that, you may also have to plan additional expenses for plumbing, electrical wiring, and heating or cooling.



A Note on Building Permits:

If you are planning a major remodeling upgrade, then it's important to note in many cases it may be necessary to provide a site plan in order to obtain various home building permits from your city hall or township.

Adding a Sunroom

\$20,000 - \$80,000²



Hey there, sunshine! If your home needs more natural light, building a sunroom is a great way to enjoy the sun while being protected from extreme heat, cold, and bad weather.

What's more, natural light is treated like a commodity when it comes to the housing market — and it never hurts to think about the future. But for now, bask in your new four seasons room, it will be very popular with your whole family — especially the ones with fur.

Adding Dormers

\$3,000 - \$11,500³



Found in all styles of houses, dormers are vertical constructions positioned up and out from the roof of a home. They make a house feel more open and friendly, one of the reasons why they are found in neighborhoods all over the country.

But dormers aren't just an aesthetic feature — most come fit with a window that adds light and ventilation to the highest parts of a home. They help keep the top of a home cooler in the summer and warmer in the winter.

Whatever your dreams, it's always smart to take your time and make a well-informed decision. If you're finding yourself floored by these costs, there might be a way to get help from your current home to finance them.

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1. <https://www.homeadvisor.com/cost/garages/build-a-garage/>

2. <https://www.homeadvisor.com/cost/sunrooms/>

3. <https://modernize.com/home-ideas/17672/dormer-costs>