Your home is both your personal living space and an investment. When considering renovations, it can be difficult to balance your preferences with what will yield the best return later. These tips will help you make the most of your efforts.

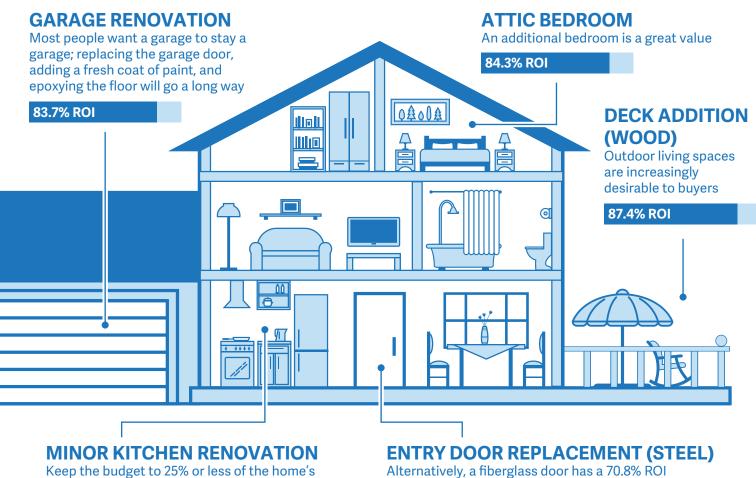
## BEFORE RENOVATING INSIDE OF YOUR HOME Consider curb appeal. A good first impression is important for any potential future buyers.

- **A fresh coat of paint** goes a long way, though choose neutral colors that will appeal to any buyer.
- **A** Have a well kept garden, but keep it minimalistic. Expensive landscaping won't add to the resale value and may look like a lot of unwanted work.
- Cosmetic repairs may not yield a large return on investment, but are necessary to maintain the value of your home.



## BEST INVESTMENTS

RENOVATIONS THAT ADD THE BEST VALUE TO YOUR HOME



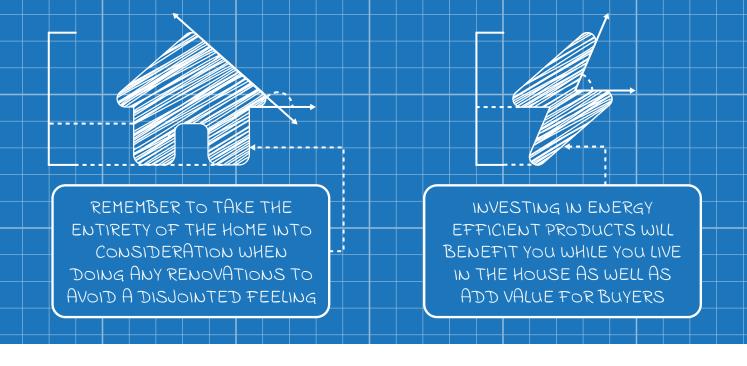
## Keep the budget to 25% or less of the home's value and refrain from too much personalization

that may not appeal to everyone 82.7% ROI

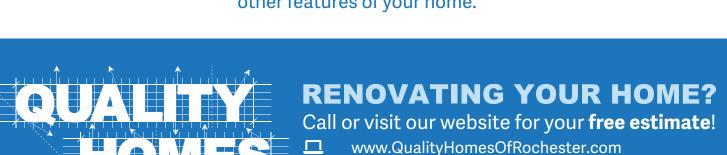
## 96.6% ROI

vary depending on your location. Research projects before beginning and consult a professional regarding any renovations you are unfamiliar with. Be realistic about DIY projects and always take appropriate safety measures.

NOTE: Returns are based on the national averages for homes in the United States. The exact return on investment will



When you're planning to sell your home, renovations are one of the best ways to get a higher return. While not all potential buyers will share your taste and preferences, you should still keep in mind that you'll be living in the home until it sells. Be sure to consider your own comfort when making decisions regarding you walls, flooring, and other features of your home.



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