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Do It Yourself Case Study #1: Designing a Safe Oasis for Children

As Covid-19 continues to have a lasting impact on our lives, we must learn to adapt. Our homes have become our offices, working spaces, classrooms, playgrounds, gyms, culinary labs, and entertainment centers.

To meet our clients' demands during the current pandemic environment, we have transformed our business model. In addition to offering in-person services, we have developed a **Do-It-Yourself** business model that enables our clients **THEMSELVES** - with our guidance - to beautifully design or stage their home safely and securely.

The project:

"We both work from home; we absolutely need for our children to have a place they can call their own where they can be active, creative, and safe."

Our client requested that we create a special space for their children where they can play, rest, study, spend time with their friends, watch TV and just disappear, giving them the space opportunity to work during the pandemic.

This is the first in a series of **Do-It-Yourself Case Studies** where we discuss the challenges we met and how we helped our clients overcome them creatively and on an affordable budget. Our hope is that these case studies will give you some design ideas on how to beautify your own home on a budget.

The Challenges:

Low ceiling; BIG space; columns in between; no bathroom; dull colors; minimal lighting



Our Solution:

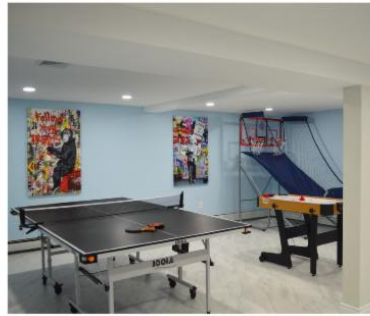
Separate the space into several activity-based "nooks"; add a bright rug and comfy seating; dedicate one area to board games (including chess for deep thinkers) and a ping pong table; create an segregated corner for TV-watching, complete with a big-screen TV and comfortable seating; build a moderate display shelving; paint the walls in bright colors with metallic finishes from Sherwin Williams; build a comfortable bathroom with shower; and perhaps the most important touch: Positive inspiring images on the walls.

Pricing

- Furniture/Accessories (including rugs, game tables, artwork): \$8600
- Additional Labor Costs (including painting, design fee, tile floor): \$9700

DIY Total: \$18,300

Full Service Total: \$27,500



We still offer SAFE-DISTANCE in-person services; however, if you prefer using our new Do-It-Yourself service, you may complete a short questionnaire by [clicking anywhere on this email](#). This will allow us to give you an idea of what it will cost you to create the design of your dreams from a safe distance:

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