

# **WHY DO YOU NEED A PERMIT?**

Large or small, do-it-yourself or contracted work will typically require a building permit.

## **PROTECTS PROPERTY VALUES**

Your home is typically your largest investment. If your construction project does not comply with building codes, your investment could lose value. If others in your neighborhood make unsafe or substandard changes to their homes, it could lower the resale values for the entire community.

## **SAVES MONEY**

Homeowner's insurance policies will NOT pay for damages caused by work done without permits.

## **MAKES SELLING PROPERTY FASTER**

Listing associations require owners to disclose any home improvements or repairs and whether permits were obtained. Many financial institutions will not finance a purchase without proof of a final inspection. If you decide to sell a home or business that has had modifications without a permit, you may be required to tear down the addition, leave it unoccupied or do costly repairs.

## **IMPROVES SAFETY**

Your permit allows the building department to inspect for potential hazards and unsafe construction. It protects you!

## **MOST IMPORTANT ~ IT'S THE LAW!**

Permits are required by City and County Ordinances. Work performed without a permit may be subject to removal and/or other costly remedies such as fines etc.

**GET A PERMIT and get it *right* and *legal* the first time.**