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CHALLENGE

For this bustling family of four, the kitchen needed to be a warm, functional gathering space that connected to adjacent areas. However, multiple openings left the layout feeling disjointed and inefficient.

PROJECT SCOPE

Our objective was to reconfigure the kitchen for better flow, organization, and usability while maintaining a welcoming atmosphere.

We removed the wall between the kitchen and the rear entry, modified the stair access from the kitchen, and added a custom mudroom with a bench and cubbies.



Improving the flow



FROM DISJOINTED TO HARMONIOUS

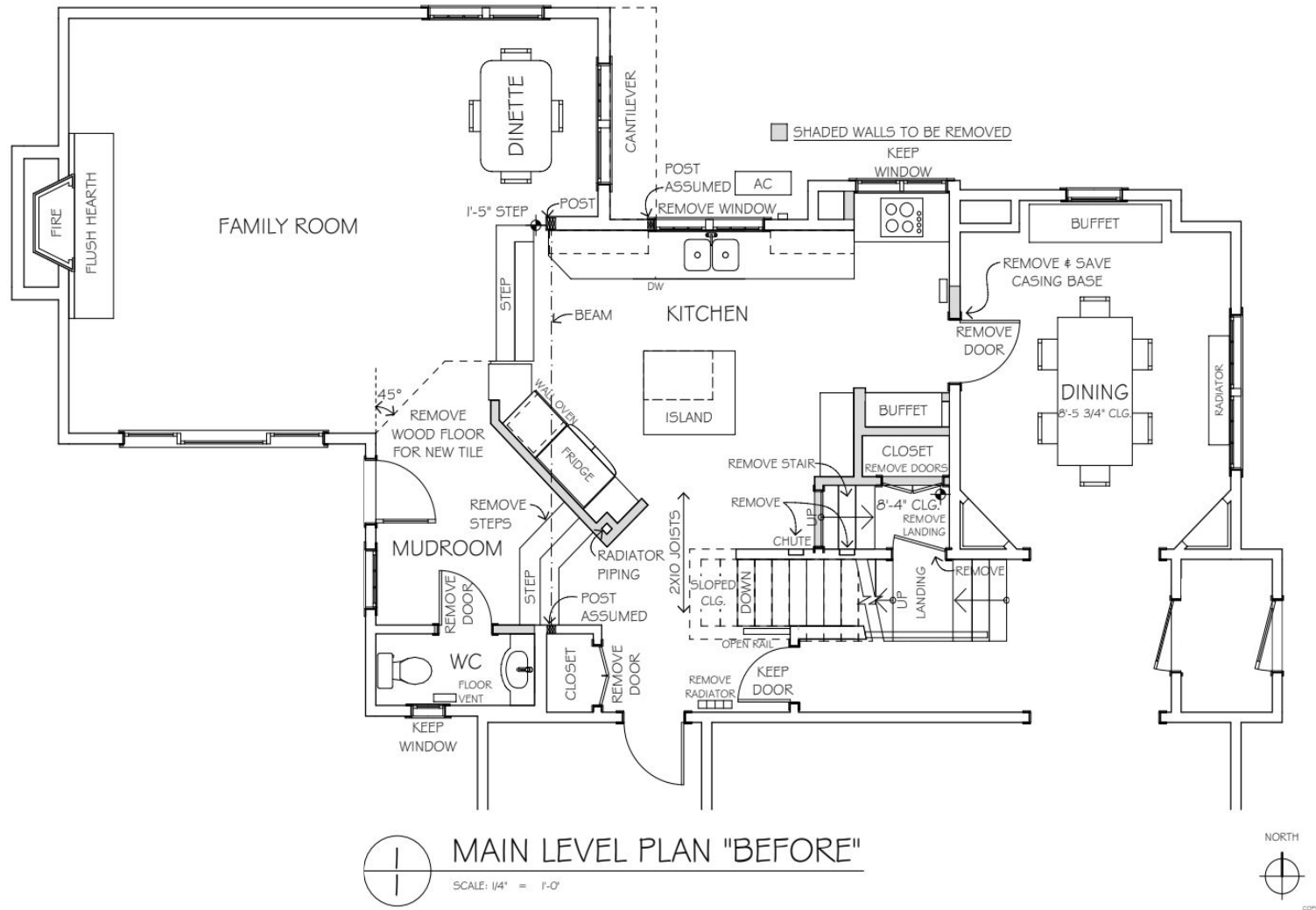
The original kitchen suffered from a choppy layout due to angled cabinetry and multiple doorways, leading to a cramped, inefficient first floor.

SOLUTION: We closed off one of two competing doorways between the kitchen and dining room and widened the other to create a more natural connection.

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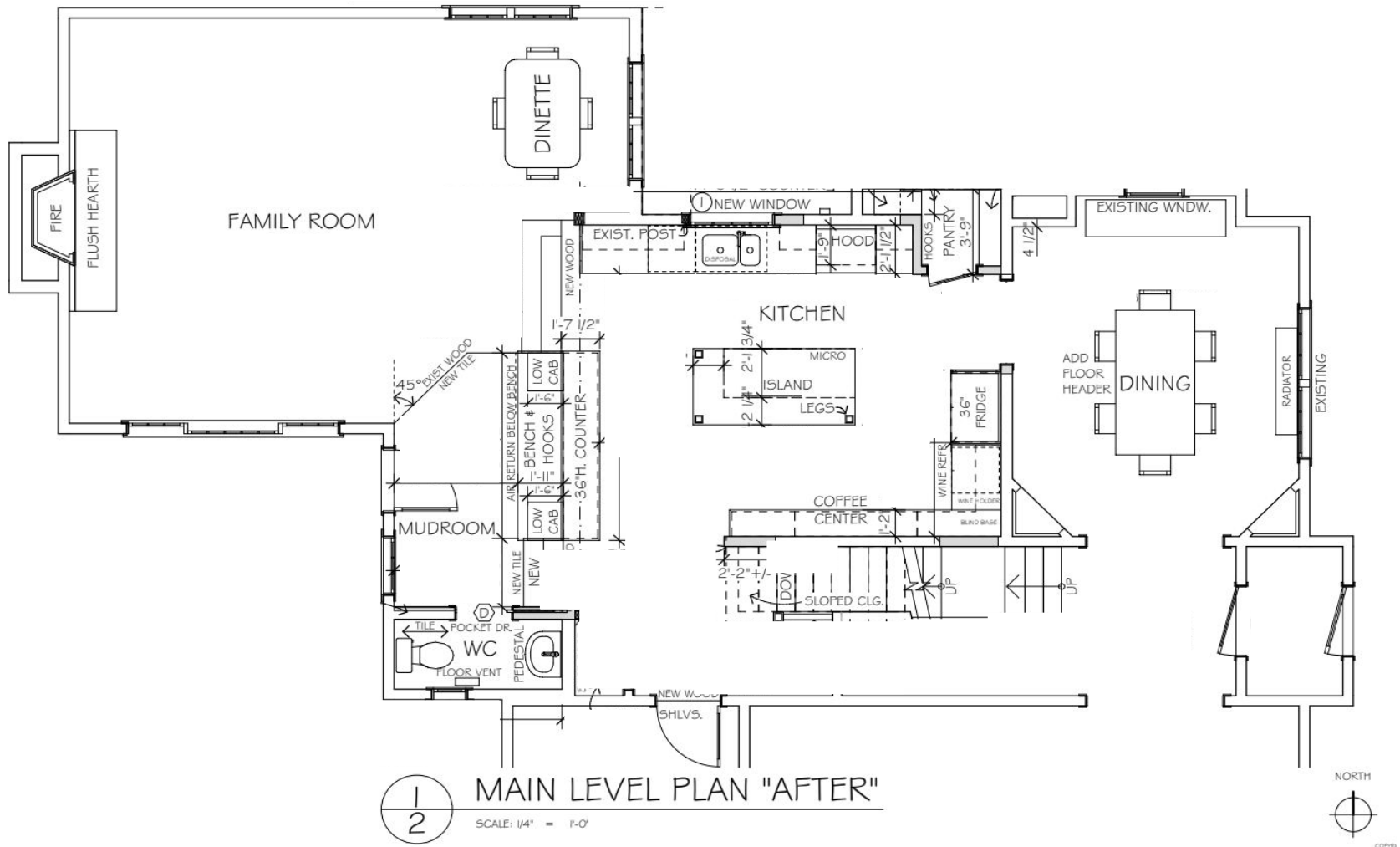
Before the kitchen was disconnected from the home's main living areas.



BEFORE FLOOR PLAN

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Now the layout is open, connected, and designed for how they live.



AFTER FLOOR PLAN

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Fitting a large Island Without Sacrificing Storage



The custom-designed island feels like a vintage furniture piece, and with a contrasting stain, beautifully grounds the space. On the working side is a drawer microwave and storage. An overhang on the island allows seating for three, perfect for enjoying a snack while watching mom or dad cook.

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Maximizing every inch



The upper cabinet leaded glass doors on the breakfast bar are a nod to the original cabinetry removed during the demo. Initially, this side of the kitchen was left blank, but we realized it could be utilized for a coffee station, serving area, and extra storage. These cabinets are about 10 inches narrower than standard base cabinets and make fantastic use of what would have otherwise been dead space.

Integrated Spaces for Modern Living



By removing half of the wall, we've opened up the space to let in lovely natural light from the back entrance. Plus, the family gains an unobstructed view without sacrificing counter space or storage. Now you can cook dinner while keeping an eye on the kids—and maybe even catch some TV in the background. The new open layout creates a connected and inviting atmosphere for the whole family to enjoy.

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Designing for Light, Flow, and Everyday Connection



Widening the dining room doorway strengthened the connection between spaces, improving circulation and sightlines.



On the opposite side, opening the wall to the back entry and family room flooded the kitchen with natural light and created a more cohesive, welcoming first floor.

FUNCTIONAL ELEGANCE

The final design features a spacious, cohesive layout with a blend of white cabinetry and natural wood accents, balancing warmth and brightness.

The result is a kitchen that feels like it's always belonged—beautiful, functional, and perfectly suited to the way the homeowners live.

