

Multipurpose by Design



PROJECT SCOPE

Returning clients approached this project with a focus on long-term living and aging in place. Previous renovations in this home established a foundation of custom cabinetry and a warm, cohesive material palette that needed to carry through.

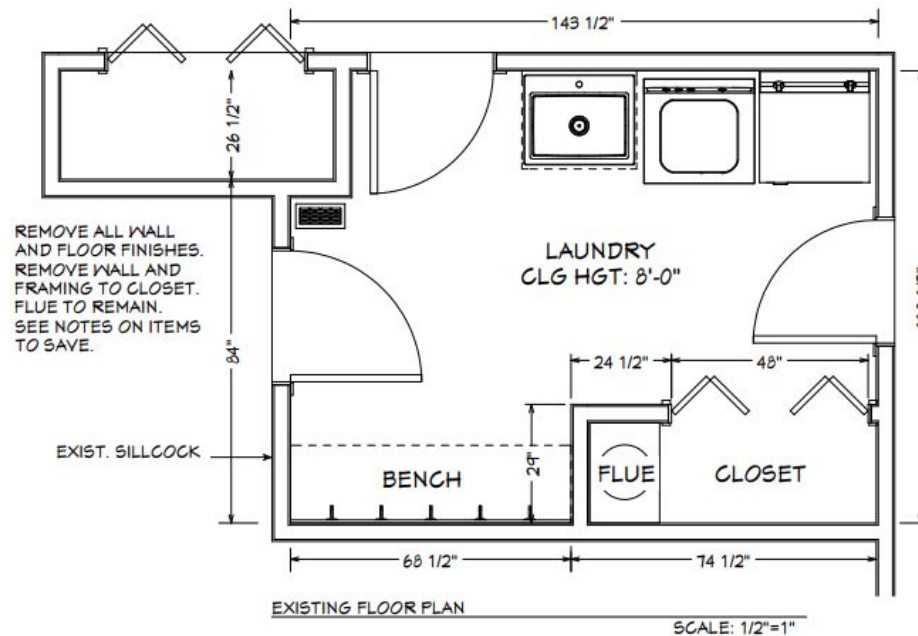
Rather than simply updating the space, the goal was to rethink how it functioned day to day. Specifically, how it's used, how people move through it, and how multiple needs could be supported within a limited footprint.

THE CHALLENGE | ONE ROOM. THREE FUNCTIONS. TOO MANY CONSTRAINTS



BEFORE

EXISTING FLOOR PLAN



It functioned as a laundry room, mudroom, and storage area—all within one room, with fixed access points and existing mechanicals that could not be relocated.

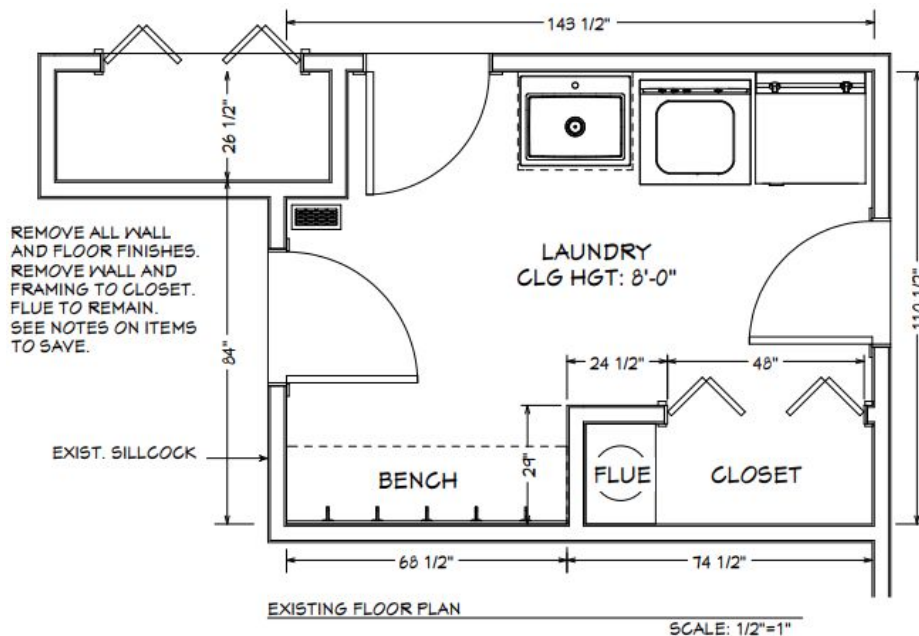
The result was a space that felt **cramped, inefficient**, and difficult to move through. Storage was inadequate, circulation paths **overlapped**, and everyday use led to clutter and frustration.

The challenge was not just to improve the space, but to make **multiple functions work together**.

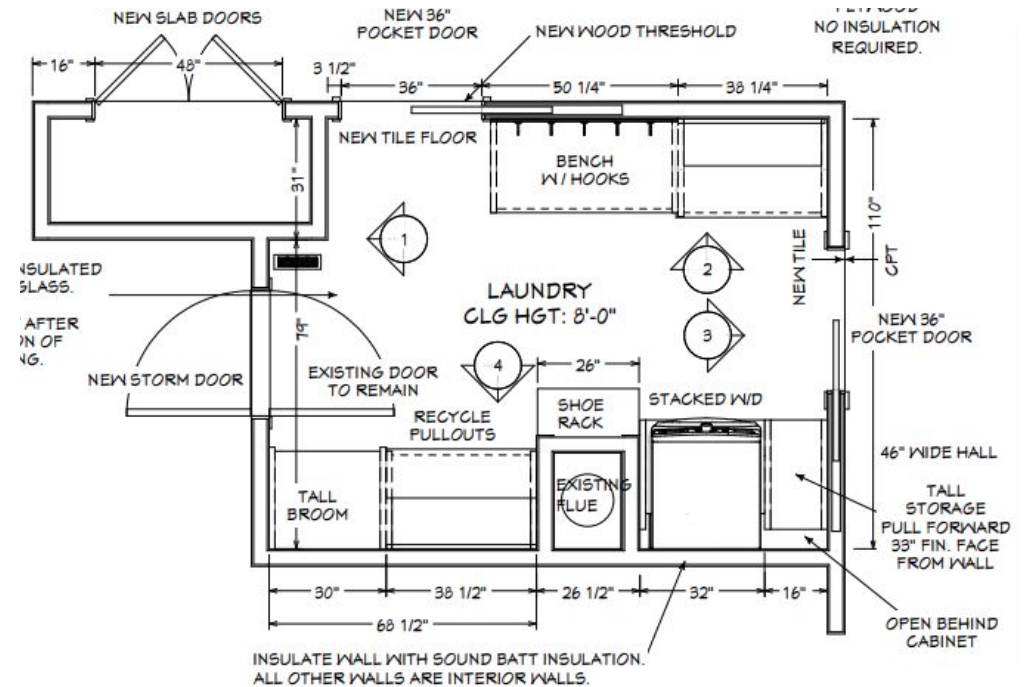
RETHINKING THE LAYOUT

SAME FOOTPRINT. COMPLETELY RETHOUGHT

BEFORE



AFTER



- Each doorway served a purpose and we had to keep each one.
- The redesign began with a full reworking of the layout to improve circulation and define clear zones within the space.
- Rather than designing around constraints, the plan organizes the room based on how it is actually used—reducing overlap between functions and creating a more intuitive flow.
- Within the same footprint, the space was transformed into a more efficient and purposeful environment.

DESIGNED FOR LONGEVITY | CLEAR MOVEMENT. FEWER OBSTACLES. EASIER EVERYDAY USE.



Narrow opening created congestion at a primary entry point.



The space was designed to support **ease of use over time**, with a focus on clear pathways, minimized obstacles, and intuitive organization.

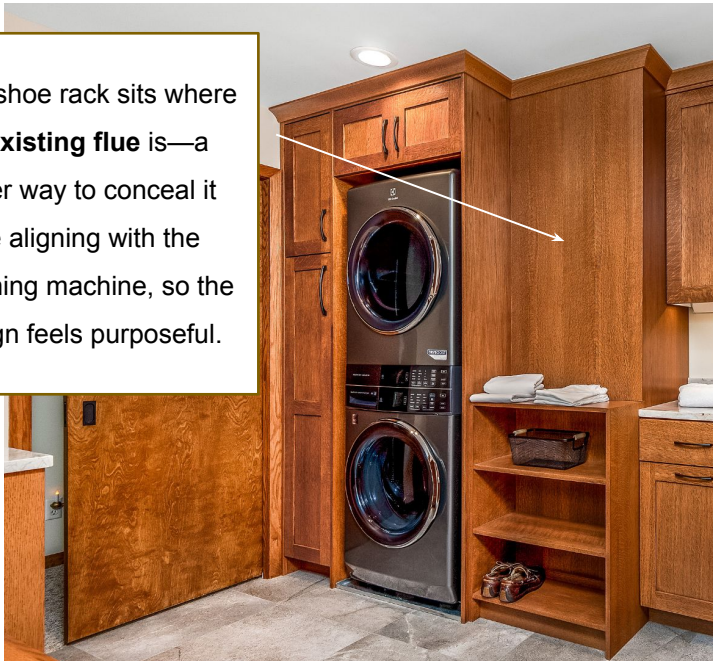
Circulation was simplified to allow for easier movement, while **transitions were leveled** and openings refined to reduce physical strain in daily use.

These decisions allow the space to function comfortably today, while supporting the homeowners' needs over time.

HANDLING DAILY TRAFFIC | A MUDROOM SOLUTION WITHIN A LIMITED FOOTPRINT.

Since the laundry room is right off the entrance to the home, this space needed to work as a mudroom as well.

The shoe rack sits where the **existing flue** is—a clever way to conceal it while aligning with the washing machine, so the design feels purposeful.



- Bench and hooks for jackets
- Durable tile flooring
- Dedicated shoe storage



IMPROVING FLOW | EVERYDAY MOVEMENT, MADE EASIER.



This opening connects directly to the primary bedroom, making it a frequently used path within the home.

The doorway was widened to support easier movement—whether carrying laundry baskets or accommodating long-term mobility needs.



Vertical storage, stacked laundry, and ceiling-height cabinetry maximize the available footprint.



Storage was reimagined to better support everyday use, with a combination of concealed and accessible solutions.

Full-height cabinetry increases capacity while maintaining a clean, cohesive look. Pull-out bins and integrated utility storage keep essential items organized and within reach.



CRAFTSMANSHIP | DESIGNED TO FEEL LIKE IT WAS ALWAYS PART OF THE HOME

Craftsmanship in this project is expressed through precision, proportion, and integration.



Five years earlier, we had remodeled the kitchen and bathroom using the same cabinetry style and custom stain. This space was designed to carry that language forward, allowing the new work to feel connected to the rest of the home rather than newly added.

Functional elements like lighting, storage, and appliances were integrated in a way that supports daily use without disrupting the overall design.



This project transforms a constrained utility space into a fully integrated part of the home. By enhancing circulation, maximizing storage, and designing for long-term accessibility, the space now supports daily routines instead of working against them.