

## HOMESCAPE

Ideas for interior design & decorating

### GET IT TOGETHER

# NO MESS, NO STRESS

**Location:** Leonia • **Time:** 2 months • **Total:** \$12,000

#### PLAN:

- Reorganize 13-square-foot spare room filled with plastic storage bins, holiday decorations, off-season clothing and older furniture, including disassembled bed.
- Create new, better-looking storage system for items that are to be kept.
- Transform space into welcoming guest room with bed-and-breakfast look.

#### ORGANIZERS/DESIGNERS:

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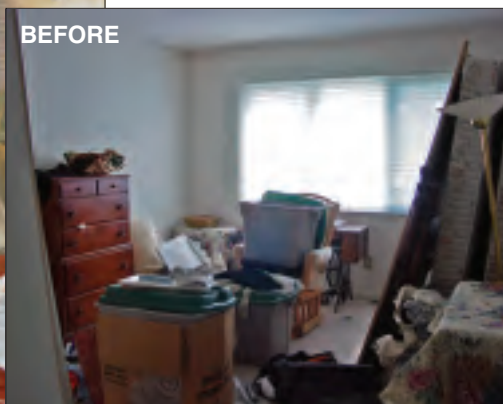
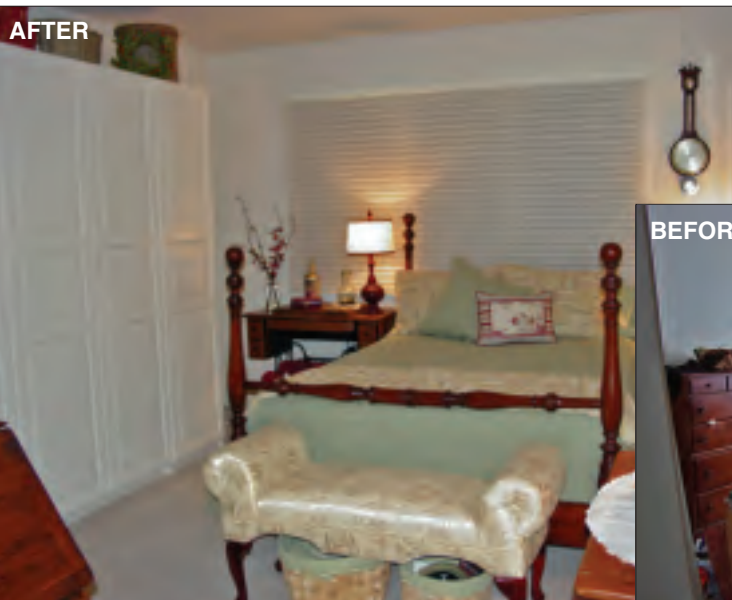
#### PRODUCTS USED:

“Pax” Wall System, IKEA

#### THE PROJECT:

- Go through existing objects stored in room and ask homeowner 1) Do you love it? 2) Is it useful? And 3) Is it functional? A “no” means it goes.

- Sort objects into four boxes labeled Keep, Give Away, Donate, and Throw Away.
- Select pieces to be reused, such as the bed, dresser, chest of drawers, side table and sewing-machine table.
- Remove everything from room. Put rarely used items in attic.
- Purchase and install cabinetry system that blends visually with wall and takes up minimal space.
- Designate bed as new focal point of room.
- Move large pieces of furniture back in, making adjustments.
- Repurpose sewing-machine table as a night table with antique charm.
- Add old and new accessories to accent country, bed-and-breakfast theme, including decorative storage baskets and boxes.
- Put clothing, extra bedding and other out-of-season things into new storage areas.



“We don’t go into the client’s space and do it for them—they have to be part of the process. It’s all about transferring skills. Organization is what works, not for us, but for the client.”

—Bernadette Flaim  
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