

Miller's Kitchen Renovation

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Project Summary

Status: ● on track
% Complete: 75%

Weather

Conditions: Sunny
Temperature: 77

Labor On-Site

Crew: John Smith, Robby Johnson, Bubba Jones, Mike Snyder, Tom Thompson
Subs: Acme Electric, Johnson Plumbing, Henry HVAC Inc., Susan Mayor Interior Design
Hours: 76

Work Completed

Today's completed tasks include:

- Completed interior demolition of kitchen and pantry areas, including removal of non-load bearing walls and existing cabinetry. All debris was safely removed from the site.
- Verified rough-ins for new appliance connections (refrigerator, dishwasher, range, and microwave) ensuring proper placement and code compliance.
- Installed 5 upper cabinet sets in the primary sink area, including adjustments for plumb and level, and secure fastening to wall studs.
- Completed hardware (pulls and knobs) installation for all lower cabinets throughout the kitchen, totaling 18 units, ensuring consistent alignment.
- Finalized precision templates for custom quartz countertop fabrication, following a detailed laser measurement of cabinet runs.
- Installed and tested two sink and faucet sets (primary and prep sinks), verifying proper water supply, drainage, and leak-free operation.

Materials & Procurement

Materials delivered today included:

- Upper and lower cabinetry components for kitchen layout
- Prefabricated quartz countertops (sections for main counter and island)
- Stainless steel undermount kitchen sink and pull-down faucet
- New dishwasher unit and built-in microwave oven
- Porcelain floor tiles, mortar, and leveling clips
- Subway tile for backsplash and corresponding grout

Inspections & Quality Control

- All new electrical installations were tested by the inspector and passed inspection.
- The plumbing inspector identified three minor deficiencies, which are scheduled for rectification tomorrow.
- Kitchen rough-in and cabinet installation inspection passed.

Issues & Challenges

No major issues were reported.

Client Decisions Required

- Paint color selection for kitchen-adjacent bathroom.
- Choosing the kitchen back wall and island specialized outlet types (e.g., USB-C, USB-A).
- Island hanging light fixture selection pending.
- Kitchen cabinet hardware selection pending.
- Kitchen backsplash tile selection pending.
- Vent caps for the heating and A/C openings.
- Kids play area floor covering type and color.

Budget & Cost Status

The project remains within budget, with no cost overruns anticipated. The final invoice will be delivered to the client on January 30, 2026.

Safety: Briefings and Incidents

A technician from Acme Electric sustained a minor hand injury while wiring the under-counter outlets. He received immediate on-site attention and required no further treatment.

Next Steps

Planned activities for tomorrow include:

- Application of the final coat of custom espresso brown stain to all kitchen island cabinets, followed by protective clear coat application.
- Installation and precise alignment of pre-fabricated quartz countertops in the kitchen, including seam sealing and final surface polishing.
- Preparation and application of the first coat of flat white paint across the entire main level ceiling area.
- Installation of all specified light fixtures and dimmer switches in the kitchen and dining area.
- Delivery and staging of hardwood flooring materials for the main level living room.

Photos



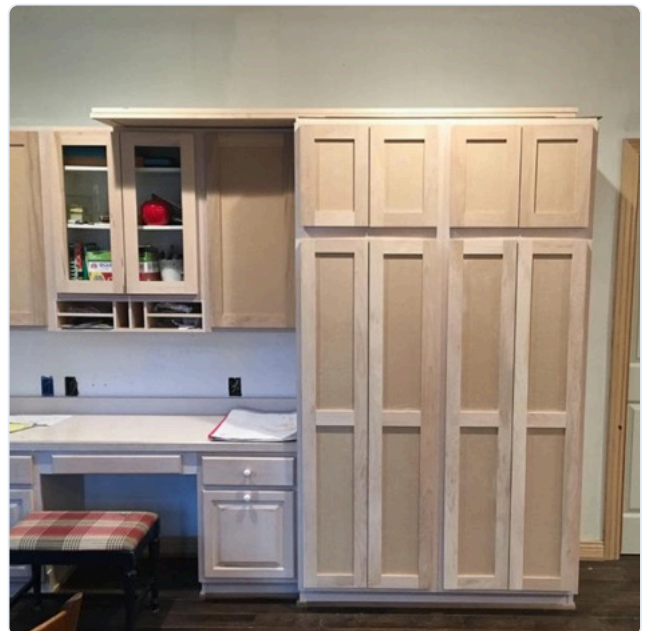
Added Jan 8, 2026 at 11:20 PM
Unfinished kitchen island and perimeter cabinets, with stacked components.



Added Jan 8, 2026 at 11:21 PM
Unfinished wood base cabinets with stacked drawer fronts and doors visible.



Added Jan 8, 2026 at 11:24 PM
Kitchen cabinets installed, awaiting finish, with appliances and island materials present.



Added Jan 8, 2026 at 11:40 PM
Unfinished wood cabinets and built-in desk area installed, awaiting finishing.



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Unfinished kitchen cabinets installed, with additional wood parts prepared.



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Kitchen installation in progress with new refrigerator and unfinished cabinets.



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Unfinished kitchen cabinets installed, with protective floor covering and staged doors.