



Tips and Steps to Help You Find More Space for a Home Business

You've started a home-based business and that business is booming. In fact, business is growing so much that you are running out of space in your home. So how can you find the extra room you need to help your business thrive? You have two choices: expand your current home or work with realtor [Fariba Ferdowsi](#) to find a new one with more square footage. No matter which choice you make, here are a few helpful tips to keep things stress-free.

Run Through Your Financial Checklist

If you plan on buying a new home or upgrading an existing one, there are going to be costs involved. Before you begin making plans, spend some time taking care of necessary financial tasks. [For homebuyers](#), this means starting with the initial steps of figuring out how much you can afford to spend on a new home and/or necessary upgrades, as well as making sure you have the income and credit to secure a home loan.

If you prefer to remodel your current home to accommodate your business needs, you will need to create a project budget to keep your finances in check. You can start by figuring out where your new workspace will be located and what sort of updates are needed. If you want to convert

a garage, for example, your [total project costs](#) will depend on the work needed to finish this space. Also, think about how your home value will be affected.

On the business end, you may also want to look into [the steps needed](#) to set up an LLC for perks like limited liability and tax advantages. It can be wise to use a service or even do it yourself, instead of blowing your budget on lawyer's fees.

Start Researching Homes or Remodeling Tips

Once you have your finances in order, you can start working on the next step of the process. If you are looking for a new home to fit your home-based business needs, spend time online researching [local homes and prices](#). Use real estate websites like Redfin or [consult](#) a local real estate pro to get a snapshot of how much homes are selling for and how much time they're spending on the local market.

If you are staying put and remodeling your existing home, you can spend your time online looking for home office [design tips and ideas](#) to incorporate into your project. Whether you prefer a calming and compact space to reduce stress or an airy and industrial setup to impress potential clients, you should be able to find ideas that suit your needs and personal style.

Hire Experienced Professionals

If you're running a successful home-based business, your schedule may already be packed. So when it comes to finding a new home to take that business to the next level, make sure you have a knowledgeable real estate agent by your side to keep the process as efficient and effortless as possible. [Check out reviews](#) from past clients when looking for a local agent you can trust.

When you need to remodel a new or existing home, your real estate agent may also be able to provide you with recommendations for local contractors. This is just one way you can find reliable local contractors, however, since asking [the right questions](#) can also help you connect with trustworthy professionals. You'll want to make sure your contractor has experience with the sort of remodeling projects needed and that he/she is licensed and certified.

If your home-based business is so successful that you need more space to create and operate, you should be excited! After all, you've put a lot of time and hard work into helping your business prosper and grow. By putting in the effort into finding space for a home office or expanding your current home, you can continue to watch your business thrive.

Need help buying or selling a home in D.C., Northern Virginia, or Maryland? [Connect with Fariba Ferdowsi](#), your trusted Keller Williams real estate agent.

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