

Reorganizing The Past

*A client's restored Craftsman bathroom.
An organizing project to maintain creative balance,
beauty, and order while keeping on budget.*



A project for
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Her career choice has opened problem solving opportunities for Jonda with her diverse clientele. Her networking skills offer clients a wide range of choices for enhancement of their time and space.

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Jonda Beattie is a former teacher and owner of Time Space Organization, a consultancy in metro Atlanta that works with both residential and small business clients. In her professional role, she uses her listening skills, problem solving skills, knowledge of different learning techniques, ADHD specialty, and paper management skills to tackle the toughest organizational issues.



The Vision

I was contacted by Deborah of *My Own Bookkeeper* to help with organizing and setting up their reconstructed bathroom. Debbie and her husband, Dany, had worked with me before and had a copy of my book *From Vision to Victory: A Workbook for Finding a Simple Path to an Organized Home*. They used this workbook as a guide when setting up this project.

This is a project that they had wanted to do for some time and now they finally had both the time and the money to work on this dream project.

The bathroom had not been remodeled in 50 years and was long overdue. Both Dany and Deborah wanted to preserve the integrity of the old home while making the changes that would support their dream or vision.

They wanted their small bathroom to feel open and un-crowded. They wanted a clean, organized, uncluttered look. They would like the space to be luxurious within the confines of the small space. When they were in this room they wanted to feel relaxed and comfortable.

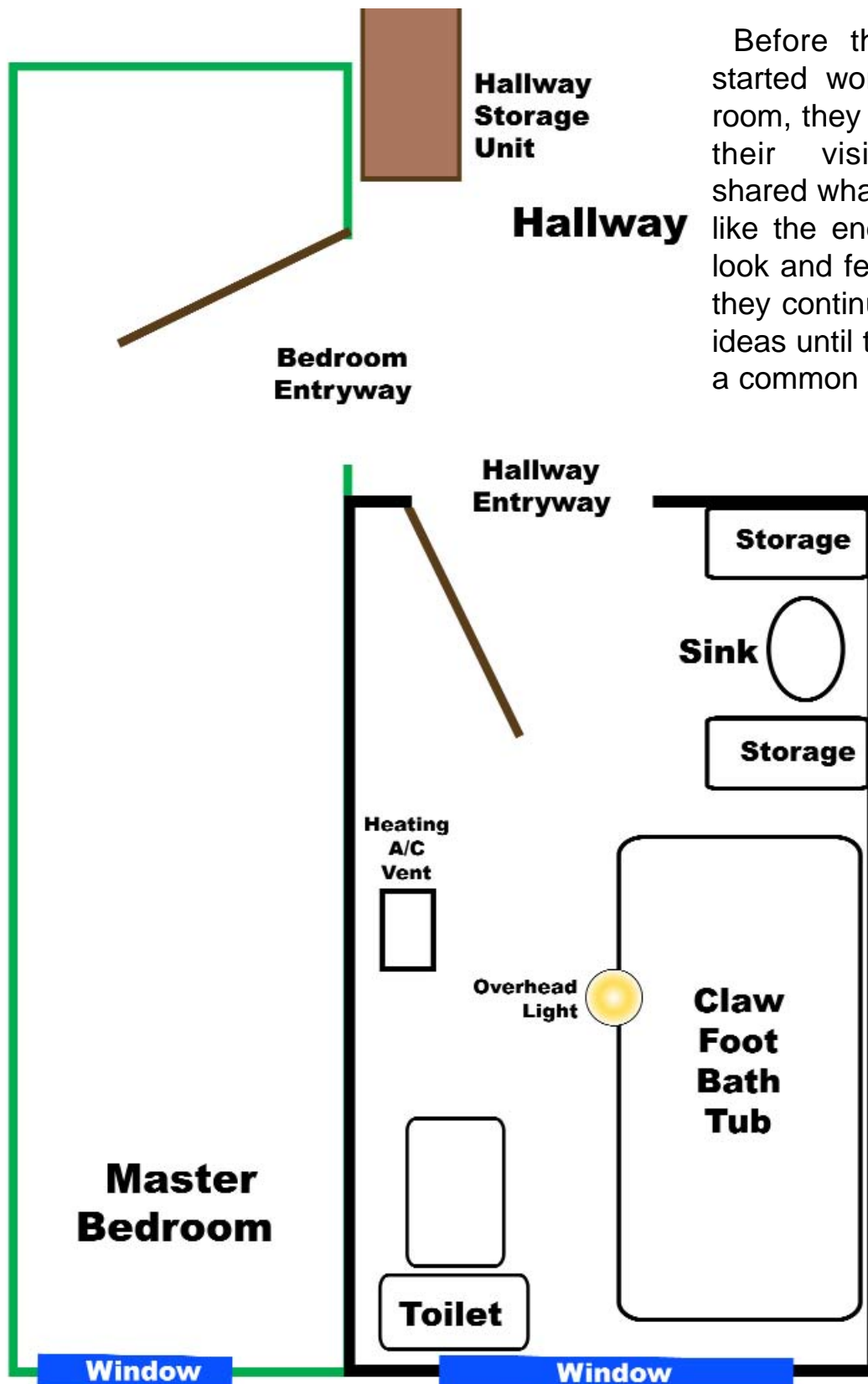
Dany wanted a sense of manliness but with the soft feel of a woman's decorative touch. They wanted this room to make them smile when they entered. It was also important that the room was low maintenance and useable with a wheelchair as Deborah's sister would visit often.

They also plan to live in this home for a long time and wanted to create a space that would allow them to age in place. They hoped to finish this project by the end of August – about two and a half months from now.

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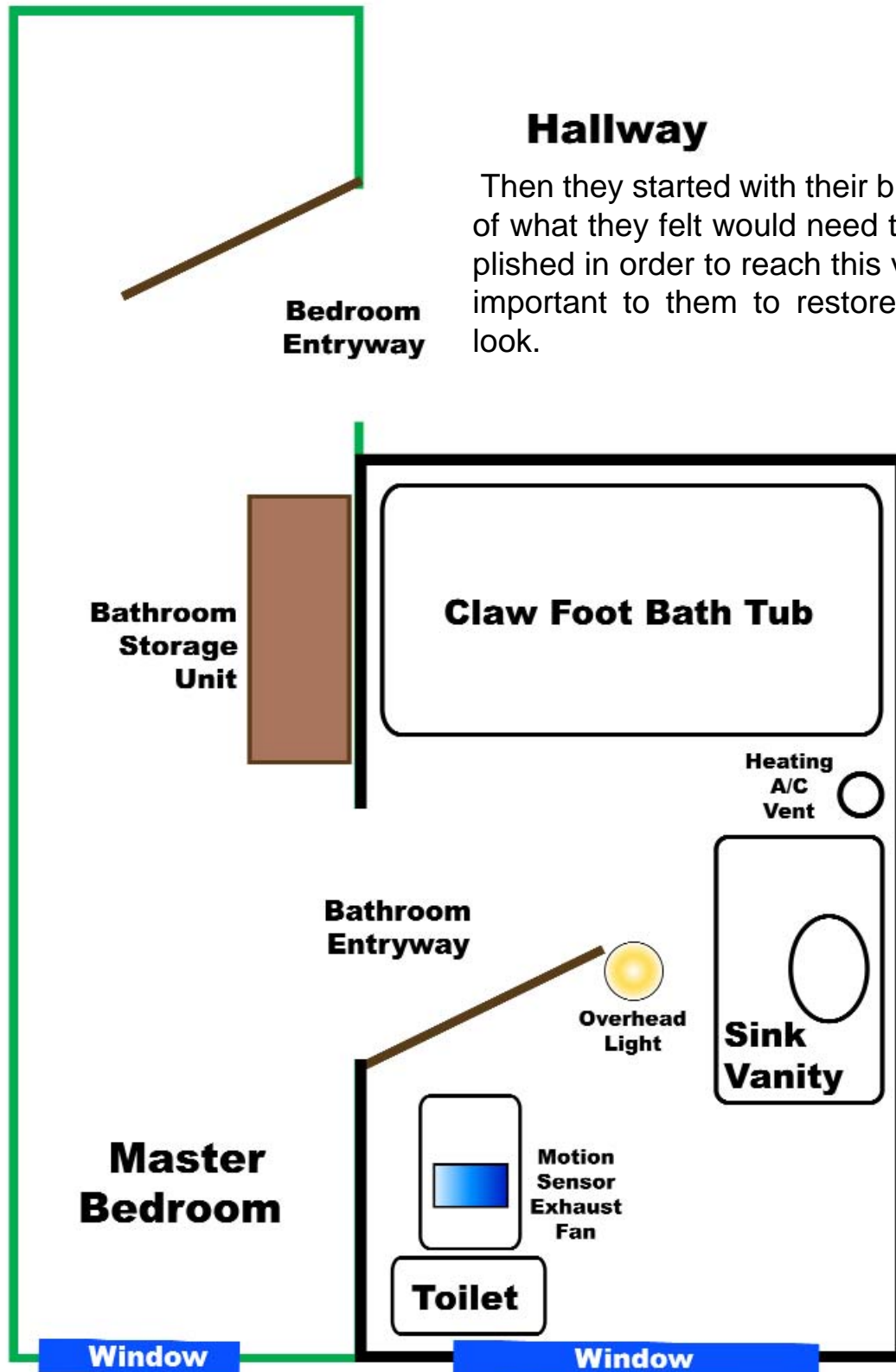


The Old Floor Plan



Before they actually started working in this room, they talked about their visions. Both shared what they would like the end product to look and feel like. Then they continued to share ideas until they came to a common vision.

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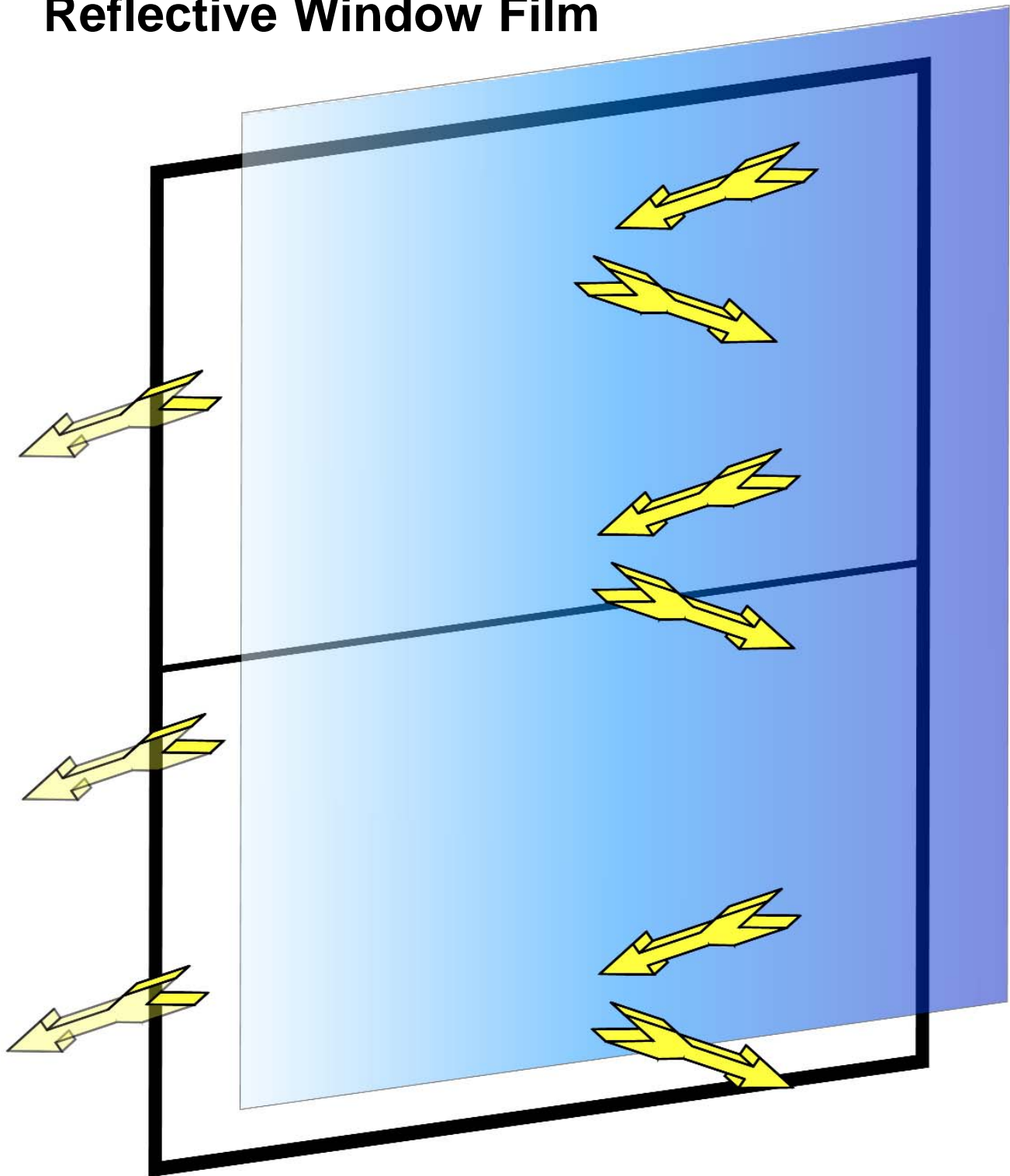


They changed the door opening to a different wall and had a new layout. The new doorway was wide enough for a wheelchair. The plumbing needed reworking to match this layout and be more efficient. They talked color schemes and decided on a classic black/white motif. They wanted to tile the tub area and wanted a colorful decorative piece of tile for a focal point above the tub. The tiling would also help with insulation and sound proofing.



They needed to do repair on the floor and walls. The walls also required painting and the wooden floor needed refinishing. They also had a few of the old furnishings like light fixtures and the original medicine cabinet that they wanted to restore as functioning pieces of the project.

Reflective Window Film



Reflective Film applied to the outside of the Storm Windows creates a surface which reflects up to 50% of transmitted light. The film seals in the room temperature and allows less loss. Privacy is maintained as nothing inside can be seen from the outdoors.



They wanted to use as much natural light as possible and decided to put film on the windows rather than blinds or curtains. A skylight would be lovely but out of budget at this time.

The Timeline

Basically their goal was by August 31 the bathroom would be functional, organized, uncluttered, and a joy to both of them.

They put their projects on paper and organized them in a logical sequence. Then they put “do” dates by each component.

February, 2012

Clear the project spaces. Check all surfaces for needed repairs. Remove worn out plaster wall covering. Remove old plumbing fixtures that included the sink and bathtub. Remove all old wiring from old electrical outlets and light fixtures. Cut the new doorway for entrance from the bedroom. Close up existing doorway. Reuse old door frame for new placement.

March, 2012

Strip all wood surfaces including window, floor, and door frame. Oil and varnish refinished wood. Insulate open wall areas. Build new door frame. Repair all walls and ceilings. Install new drywall. Wire new electrical outlets and lighting fixtures.

April, 2012

Purchase tile and accessories. Treat all open wall surfaces with Kilz. Reapply varnish once a week until six coats were on floor. Resurface the bathtub. Order the vanity, toilet, and bathroom plumbing fixtures. Build the bathtub enclosure with Hardy Plank. Remove the old A/C vent and line.

May, 2012

Install tile and accessories. Seal all open wood spaces. Install new toilet. Install new A/C vent and line. Paint walls and ceiling. Caulk all gaps between tile and wood framing. Install light fixtures and electrical outlets. Begin finishing work with trim and paint touch ups. Finish all tile work.

June, 2012

Install refinished bathtub. Cut old plumbing lines. Connect the bathtub with new supply and drain lines. Consult with Jonda Beattie of Time Space Organization. Revisit with her old furniture and home accessories for possible use in the bathroom. Purchase any new bathroom accessories.

July, 2012

Install motion sensor and exhaust fan vent. Install vanity and sink. Attach reflective material to the outside of the bathroom window. Finish wall work for bedroom entryway and install door. Install threshold. Paint bedroom wall to match original color. Finalize trim work. Finalize trim work. Begin installing accessory wall pieces.

August, 2012

Consult with Jonda Beattie of Time Space Organization. Begin furnishing the bathroom with accessories. Install an exhaust fan with a motion detector. Complete final touch ups. Paint final coat on all walls and ceiling. Stock the bathroom with supplies. To reward myself for the job well done, enjoy a bubble bath.

Sometimes dates had to be adjusted but they kept very close to their timeline. As their professional organizer, I helped them with organizational details that allowed them to maximize their space and maintain their vision.



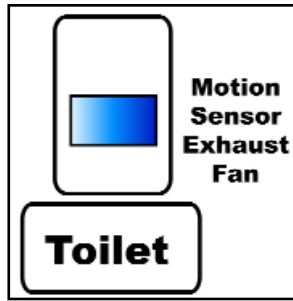
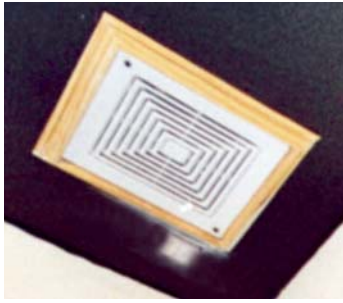


When it comes to completing and accessorizing any room, it is fun to first look around to see what is already in the home that can be repurposed. Dany and Deborah had an antique barber stand that was perfect to place just outside the actual bathroom. This set the tone for what was to come and was used to hold the bathroom supplies. Dany even had a barber strap to hang as a fun accessory.

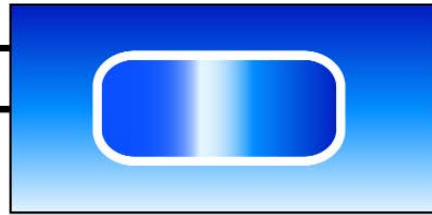




The toilet roll holder was an extension of the towel rod. Apothecary jars were used to hold bath salts, cotton balls, and soaps. Besides the existing mirror that was in the original bathroom they added another antique mirror that they already owned. This reflected more light and allowed both of them to use mirrors in the morning. A shelf with plants is going to be added at a later date.



Motion Sensor



Exhaust Fan

Electrical Lines





A plant stand became the side table by the bath to hold the bath accessories and the towels.



For fun, they added a few small pieces of art that made them smile.



The small bathroom off the master bedroom is now a combination of great efficiency and beauty. To celebrate the completed project, Dany decided to luxuriate in the claw footed tub with his beverage of choice. A final step was to put a maintenance schedule in place so that this project stayed organized and uncluttered. Next August Dany and Deborah would revisit their vision of this room and see if they wanted to make any changes

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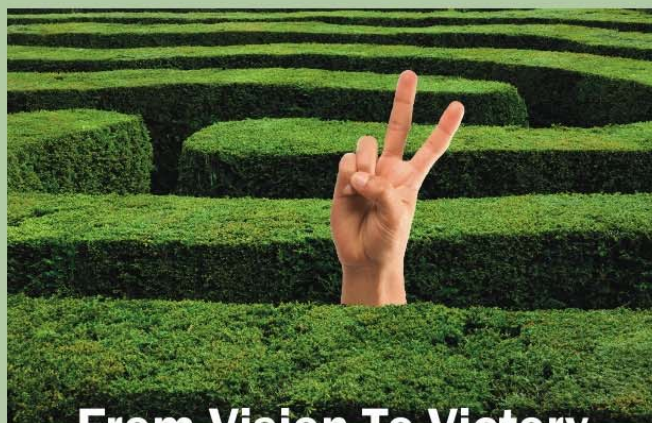


Tile Wall Mural

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It is the ultimate step-by-step guide to help you develop a plan to
organize any area in your home."*

- Diane N. Quintana, *Professional Organizer and Author*



From Vision To Victory

From Vision to Victory is the organizational workbook to help organize any problem area in your home. By following the step by step procedures, you will pin down exactly what you want to change, develop a plan to help you make the change, and learn techniques to help you keep your new organization in place. After observing other people's organizational problems, you will develop steps to follow in solving those problems that occur in your own home. These methods for handling problem areas are so simple and clear you will be amazed at your results after applying Jonda's principals.



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*"Jonda thoroughly explains the process
of organizing and planning for each room
in your home and then she goes the extra
mile by providing planning pages so you
can map out your own projects."*

- Allison Carter, *Certified Professional Organizer®*



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