## Something about Windows

**Windows** are important to your home in three major ways. Windows are a contributing factor to the aesthetic quality of your house. Old broken windows set in the frames of your house will not make you the envy of all your neighbors. Secondly, windows bring light into your house. A poorly illuminated house with no windows, on average has a lesser resale value. People need light and windows are the key to a well lit house. Thirdly and maybe the most important factor- to some anyways... good quality windows that are set properly prevent heat from passing through which contribute to the overall cost of utilities.

The cost of replacing your windows or doing other types of window renovations (such as adding windows, fixing windows or upgrading windows) depends mostly on materials. There are various sizes and styles of windows to choose. The cost of replacing windows can range from \$50 per square foot on window replacement to upwards of \$3000 for installing a skylight. It all depends on what you want. Consult an expert for an accurate windows estimate.

## **Common Window Designs**



 Awning Windows: Fixed horizontal window able to open and close.

 Bay Windows or Oriels: Angled windows, very decorative and beautiful. Bay windows are usually set in the front of the house and provide a lot of light and beauty.



• **Bifold Windows:** Comfortable and easy to clean, provide a lot of light and air.

• **Bow Windows:** Circular windows, very decorative and beautiful. Bow windows are usually set in the front of the house and provide a lot of light and beauty.



• Casements: Vertical Windows open and close with a crank. These windows can be installed to open into the house or out of the house.



• **Double hung Windows:** Top or bottom opening window

- **French Doors:** Decorative doors/ windows used in interior design to separate living space. Very elegant window design.
- Half Moon Windows or Circle Head Windows: Small decorative window that do not open. These windows are normally situated above front doors or other larger windows.



**Louvered Windows:** Horizontal windows operated by crank

- **Picture windows:** Fixed center window
- **Skylight:** A window in the roof of the house that allows light to enter from above.
- **Sliding Doors:** Large windows that open horizontally usually used as entrances to backyards, balconies and decks. Sliding doors can also be installed on the interior of a home, often separating living spaces and sunrooms.
- Strip Windows: Fixed horizontal window