

# A NEW VIEW:

## OPTIONS FOR REPLACEMENT WINDOW FRAMES

Windows not only add beauty to a home but protection as well. However, prolonged exposure to the elements means they may have to be replaced at some point.

Luckily, homeowners have a number of options when it comes to replacement windows, including ones that come with improved durability. Let's take a look inside.

## WOOD



### PROS

The traditional material for window frames, wood has an aesthetic appeal that some homeowners can't resist.

**It can be painted and stained for a unique look.**



### CONS

It's not immune to the **effects of the elements.**

## FIBERGLASS



### PROS

A synthetic frame option, fiberglass offers style and durability. It can be created in a wide variety of colors and styles and **stand up to harsh weather conditions.** In addition, it requires little maintenance and provides great insulation.



### CONS

Fiberglass window frames can be **more expensive** than vinyl replacements.

## ALUMINUM



### PROS

Aluminum frames offer **customization options** (color, style, etc.) and **durability.**



### CONS

It's not particularly good at insulation, which makes it **more suited for warmer climates** than ones that experience extended cold weather.

## VINYL



### PROS

Vinyl can **withstand years of exposure to harsh UV light.** It's durable, comes in a variety of colors and styles, provides exceptional insulation and is **relatively inexpensive.**



### CONS

Vinyl window frames are **in high demand.** That high demand has also created an increase in options and quality. Homeowners should research both the manufacturer and the installation company to ensure they are getting great quality and value from both.