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Jay Riordan, president of Dream Design Builders, is not only the owner of a home-remodeling company, he's also a client. Jay and his family lost their Rancho Bernardo home to the recent wildfires and they're in the process of rebuilding. Being on the other side of the building process has given Jay the opportunity to experience Dream Design Builders' client-focused philosophy firsthand—something that San Diegans have learned to count on for more than 20 years.

Since 1987, Dream Design Builders has remodeled San Diego houses into the homes of its clients' dreams. The company's philosophy is simple: Build a foundation with the client to understand their vision for the project; build a structure using a plan of action that both parties agree to; and finish in style by exceeding the client's expectations.

Part of Dream Design Builders' client-focused approach involves dedication to integrity and ethical practices. An integral aspect of that is the promise of no hidden add-on costs. Therefore, homeowners will not find sudden price changes to the initial bid due to "surprises" discovered midway through the project.

This promise is one of the many reasons it is a 2007 winner of the San Diego Better Business Bureau's prestigious Torch Award, which recognizes fair, honest and ethical business practices. Additionally, Dream Design Builders has received several industry awards, including *Remodeling* magazine's Big 50 Award, given to 50 companies nationwide that have set the standard for professionalism and integrity in the industry. Although the company has received many awards over the years, it still considers the smiles on its clients' faces to be the most rewarding recognition.

## Dream Design Builders

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