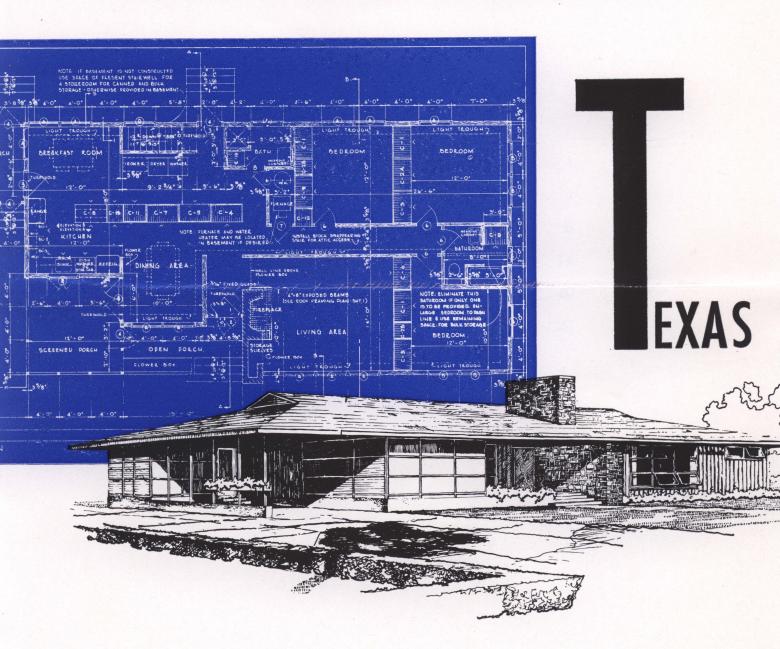
FARM and RANCH HOMES in



TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE G. G. Gibson, Director, College Station, Texas This bulletin lists recommended plans collected from various publications and sources. The working drawings may be ordered from your local county extension agents or from the Agricultural Information Office, Texas A. & M. College System, College Station, Texas.

The house and a section of the working drawings from plan number 7127 appear on the front cover. The floor plan and another sketch of this house are pictured on page 11.

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PLANNING

Plans should be made well ahead of the time that building or remodeling actually begins. Careful, thoughtful planning often helps avoid mistakes which are costly from the standpoint of money as well as convenience.

The first step in planning is to determine the family's needs. The second step is to select the site. The third step is to collect information, ideas and plans that will help in preparing the needed plans. The fourth step in planning is to get the desired house plan on paper. It is much easier to make changes on paper before construction begins than afterward. Good plans help the builder interpret details correctly.

Sometimes a plan already made will meet the needs and desires of a family. The plans in this publication may be acceptable as they are, or they may offer ideas to incorporate in other plans.

SIZE

When considering the size of the house, list all activities which should be provided for and check to see if there is sufficient space for these activities. Plan for the years ahead as well as for present needs. Necessary storage also should be considered in allotting space.

MATERIALS

A wide variety of materials are suitable for most areas of Texas. Wood remains a common structural material. For this reason most of the illustrations in this book show this type of construction. Other materials, such as concrete blocks, native stone, combinations of these and other materials can be substituted for wood. Be sure that all materials are sound and of good quality. Proper workmanship in the use of these building materials is of great importance.

UTILITIES

As you plan, consider adequate wiring and outlets to take care of both present and future needs.

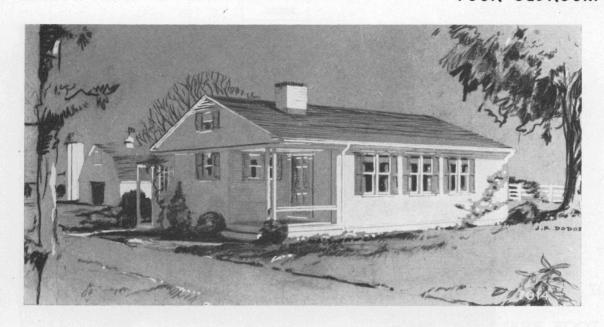
Electric and telephone lines should be brought to the rear or to the side of the house. Ask your county extension agent for bulletins on wiring, water systems, sewage disposal and farmstead planning.

CHECK THE PLAN

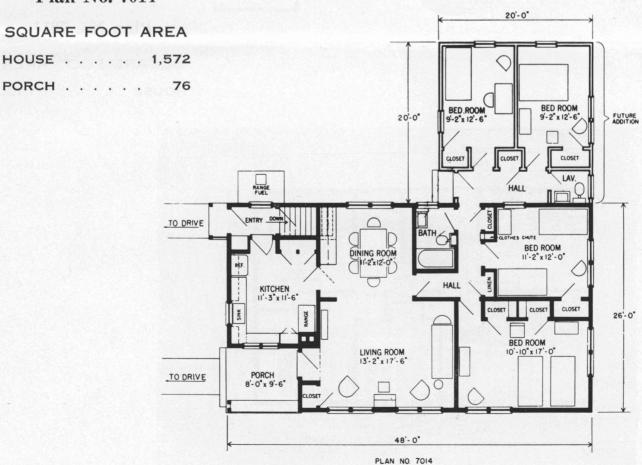
Does it meet your family's needs? Does it provide for: A suitable site Sufficient space for all activities Adequate storage Convenience and comfort

Sound, economical materials Low-cost maintenance Adequate utilities Safety

FOUR-BEDROOM HOUSE



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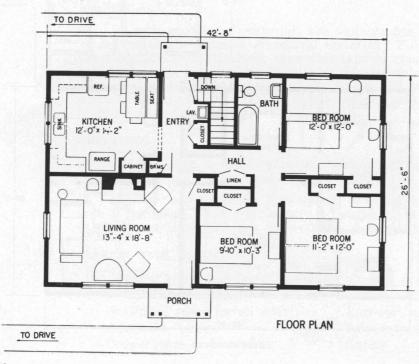


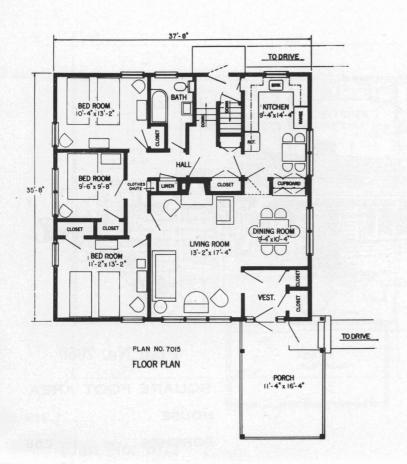
THREE-BEDROOM HOUSES



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SQUARE FOOT AREA
HOUSE 1,130





SQUARE FOOT AREA

HOUSE 1,342

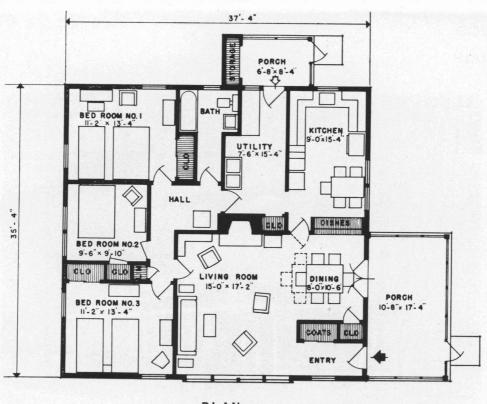
PORCH 190



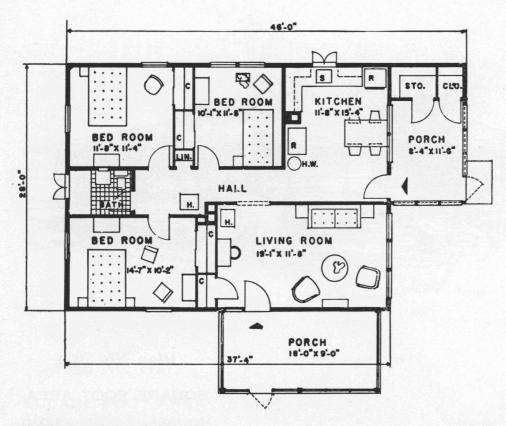


SQUARE FOOT AREA

HOUSE 1,319



PLAN SCALE 18 : 1'-0"



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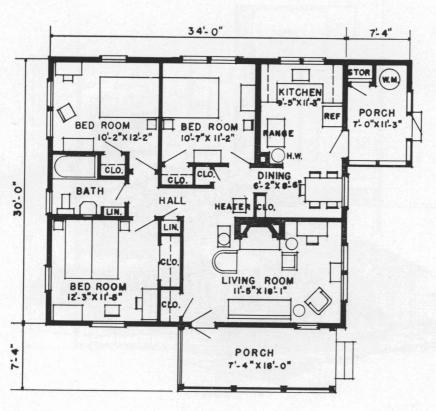
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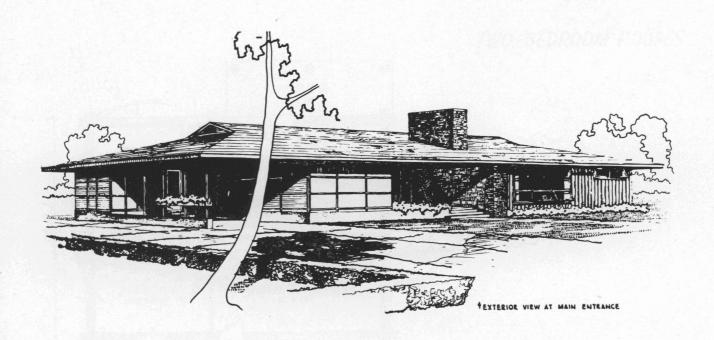




SQUARE FOOT AREA

HOUSE 1,020



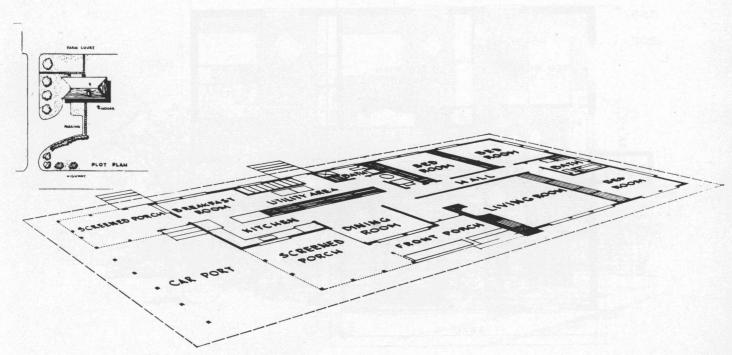


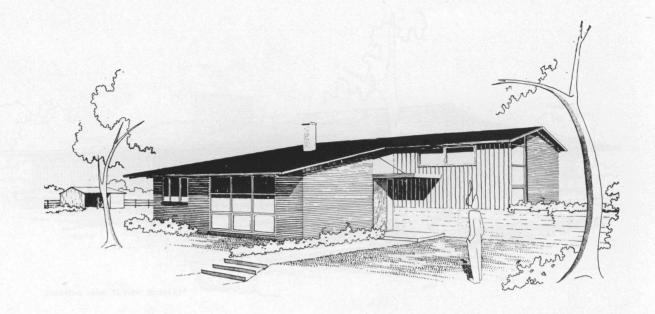
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HOUSE 1,248

PORCHES 372

GARAGE 240

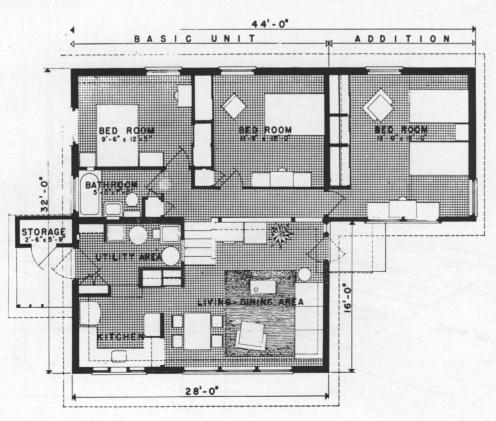




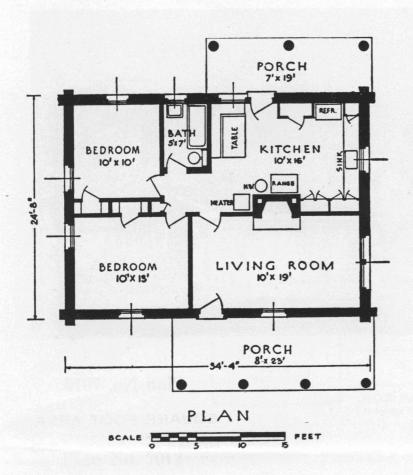
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HOUSE 896

PORCH 98



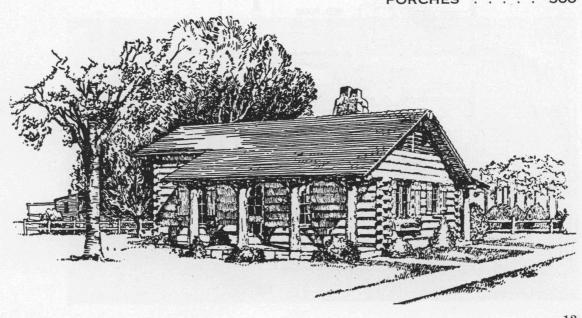
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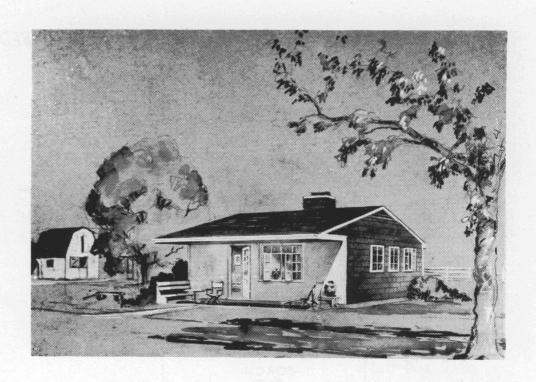


Plan No. 6526

SQUARE FOOT AREA

HOUSE 845

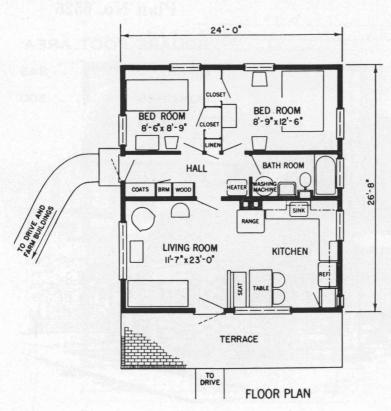


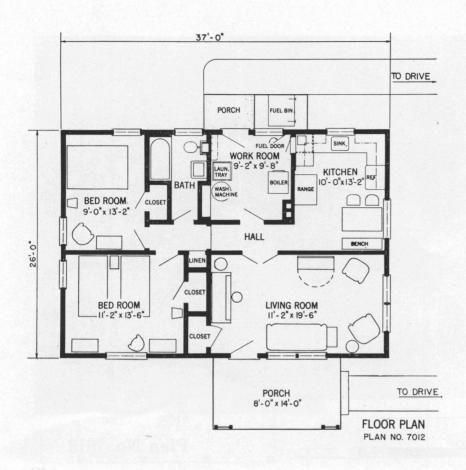


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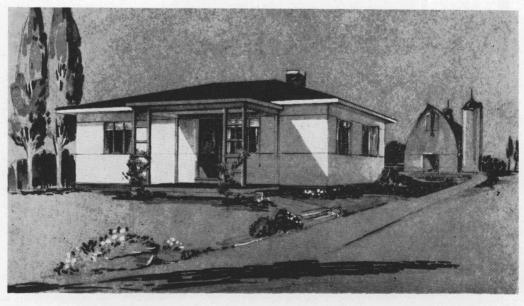
HOUSE 640



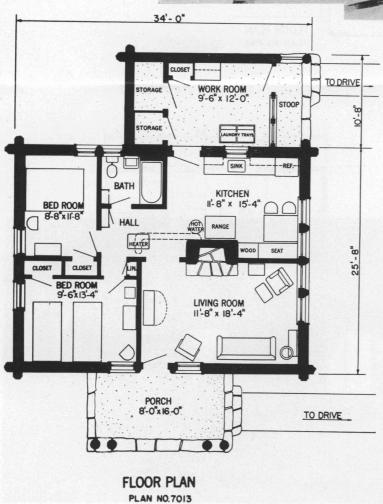


SQUARE FOOT AREA

HOUSE 962







SQUARE FOOT AREA

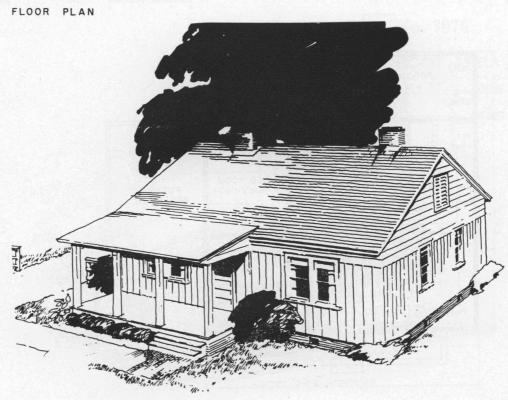
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PORCH 128



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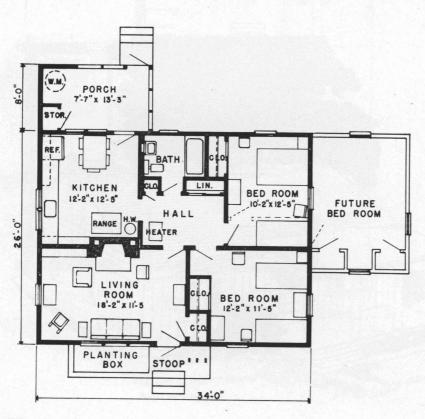
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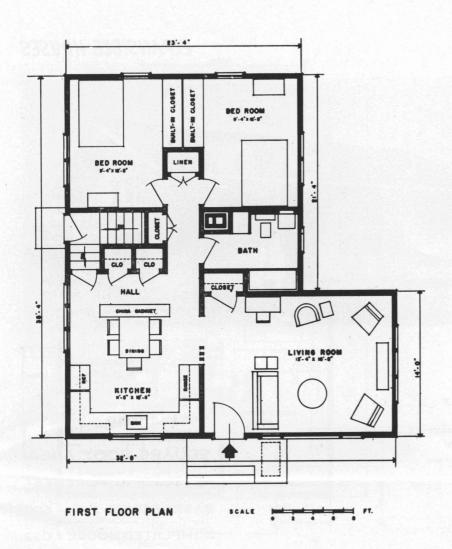




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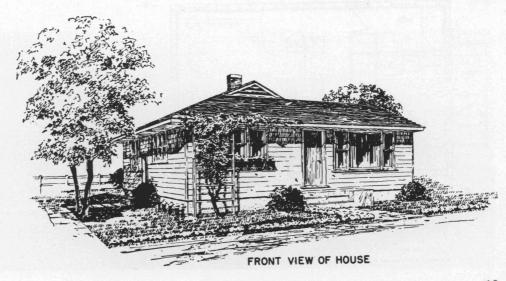
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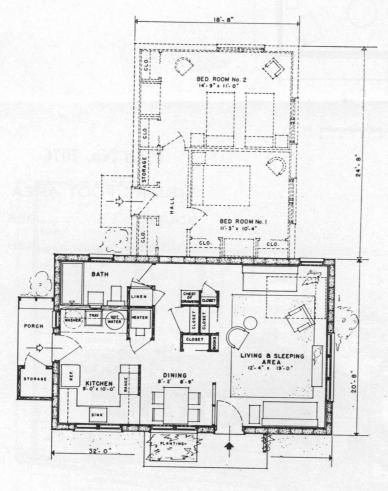
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HOUSE 955



EXPANSIBLE HOUSES





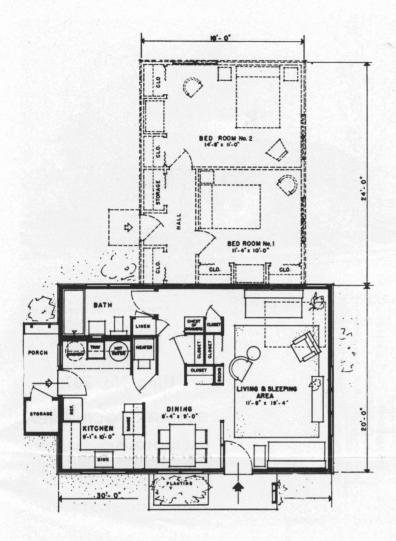
FLOOR PLAN
BED ROOM ADDITION SHOWN DOTTED

Plan No. 7061

SQUARE FOOT AREA
(EXCLUDING PORCHES)

BASIC HOUSE . . . 600

COMPLETED HOUSE 1,032



Plan No. 7062 SQUARE FOOT AREA

(EXCLUDING PORCHES)
BASIC HOUSE . . . 662

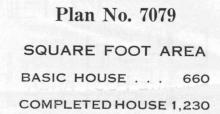
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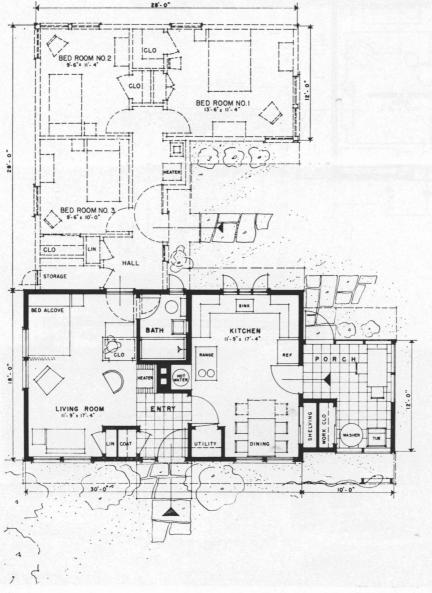
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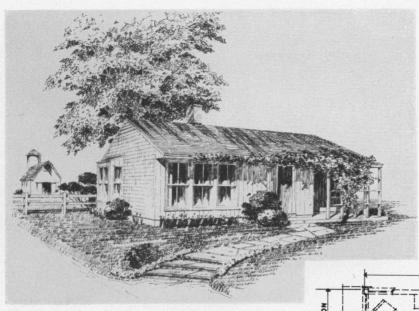




Front View of Basic House







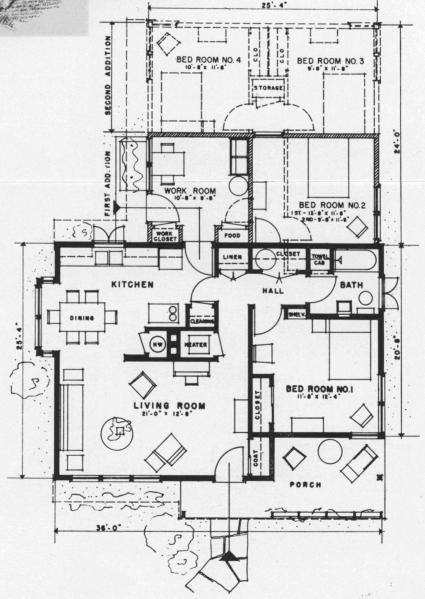
View of Basic House

Plan No. 7083

SQUARE FOOT AREA

BASIC HOUSE . . . 872

COMPLETED HOUSE 1,628



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