

THE TRIPLE WIN:

Healthier Air, Lower Energy Costs, and Greater Comfort

A Case Study

BACKGROUND

"We were originally called there for an energy audit. They were looking to get the upstairs more comfortable in their two-story home. While conducting the energy audit, we found that the air quality needed attention. The home had no mechanical means for bringing in outside air." -Brynn Cooksey, AirDoctors

The 30-minute test displayed high CO2 and high Particulate Matter, so a multi-day IAQ test was conducted to get more information. The multi-day testing revealed daytime CO2 levels up to 1400 ppm, well over the recommended range.

"We recommended an ERV to bring in fresh air, MERV 16 filter, duct sealing, and a custom zoning system for more control with respect to floor-to-floor temperatures and greater comfort."

The duct sealing was done for multiple benefits: reduces pollutants from unconditioned areas, saving energy and to help them get more from their existing heating/cooling and humidifier/dehumidifier.

This family is extremely pleased with the results of this work and will enjoy the benefits of this triple win for many years.

--Brynn Cooksey, AirDoctors



BUILDING FEATURES

Location:

Ann Arbor, MI
Year & Style:

1975 2-story w/attached garage

Number of Bedrooms: Three

Square Footage: 1680 sq ft

Heating System: 5-year-old 96% AFUE Gas Furnace

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AFTER

Highest Daily Average: **801 ppm** Highest Hourly Average: **1151 ppm**

Overall Average: 702 ppm

Highest Daily Average: **1557 ppm** Highest Hourly Average: **1622 ppm**

Overall Average: 1063 ppm

AFTER PHOTOS



(Left) Custom zoning controls were installed in the ductwork to control the flow of air through different zones.

(Right) A heat recovery ventilator was hung on the wall to the right of the furnace.

