

LESS EQUALS MORE

Steps Toward Simplicity

1. Initial consultation

Thirty minutes to discuss your project, get to know each other, and begin formulating a plan of action.

2. Define the problem

What is the problem you are trying to solve? What are your goals for this project?

3. Re-vision

Considering your goals and priorities, create a new vision for your space(s).

4. Cursory inventory

Take a closer look at what you own, identifying areas of emotional attachment, items that require overarching decisions, and get a sense of how many of your items will stay or go.

5. Categorize

Tackle categories of stuff together and place them in relevant new categories: to keep, to sell, to donate, to give to specific people, to fix, to recycle, to discard, and to reuse.

6. Remove

Create plan to systematically remove items identified in Step 5.

7. Organize

Organize the items that remain so that everything has a home and is easy to find. Use this as an opportunity to remove no longer needed furniture and other former organizing devices.

8. Create systems

Develop new habits and routines with simple rules to follow.

9. Continuous Care

Create plan to maintain, evolve, and reevaluate systems.