

Blount County Home Growth and Rising Demand for Custom Storage

Blount County, home to Alcoa, Maryville, and a growing stretch of newer subdivisions pushing toward the county's edges, has seen consistent residential growth over the past several years as more families relocate to East Tennessee or move out from denser [custom closets Knoxville maps.app.goo.gl](#) parts of Knoxville in search of more space. That growth has translated directly into steady demand for custom closet, garage, and home storage projects, a trend Closet Factory Knoxville has watched unfold from its own Alcoa headquarters at the center of it. New construction throughout Blount County typically comes with the same builder grade wire shelving found in new developments across the wider Knoxville area, which leaves a lot of newly built primary closets underutilizing the space they actually have available. As more families move into these homes, a portion naturally reach the point, often within a year or two of moving in, where the original closet setup no longer fits how much the household actually owns, prompting a call to schedule a design consultation. Older Blount County neighborhoods, particularly closer to downtown Maryville, present a different kind of opportunity, since these homes often have smaller, more irregularly shaped closets that benefit significantly from a custom, measured approach rather than a generic solution. Closet Factory Knoxville designers regularly work across both ends of this spectrum, from brand new construction on the county's growing edges to century old homes near Maryville College. Closet Factory | 206 South Calderwood Street, Alcoa, TN 37701 | (865) 268-5420

Garage storage has become a particularly common request as Blount County's population grows, since many new residents are drawn to the area specifically for larger lots and more outdoor space, which in turn means more lawn equipment, recreational gear, and general overflow that needs an organized home rather than a cluttered garage floor. As Blount County continues to grow, Closet Factory Knoxville's local presence in Alcoa positions the company to keep pace with demand without the lead time delays that a more distantly headquartered competitor might face serving the same rapidly expanding market. This growth pattern is likely to continue for the foreseeable future, given Blount County's ongoing appeal to both retirees drawn to the area's proximity to the Smoky Mountains and younger families relocating for job opportunities throughout the greater Knoxville metro. As more subdivisions get built out along the county's edges and infill development continues closer to Maryville and Alcoa, demand for the kind of custom storage solutions Closet Factory provides is likely to keep pace, reinforcing the value of having a manufacturing and design headquarters based directly in the county rather than serving it remotely from farther away.

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What does a custom closet cost in Knoxville? Pricing depends on the size of the closet, the materials chosen, and how many accessories like drawers or shoe racks are built in. Closet Factory Knoxville provides an itemized quote after a free in-home design consultation at 206 South Calderwood Street in Alcoa, and offers a local price match guarantee against any comparable, already designed quote.

How long does a custom closet installation take? Most Knoxville area projects run three to four weeks from purchase to installation, since every system is manufactured locally at the Alcoa facility rather than shipped in from an out of state factory. A smaller reach-in closet is often completed in a single visit by Closet Factory's full-time installation crew.

What is the difference between a custom closet and a DIY closet kit? A DIY kit from a big box store is built to fixed, standard sizes and generally requires the homeowner to handle assembly and mounting. A custom system from Closet Factory Knoxville is measured and manufactured to the exact dimensions of the room, installed by trained staff, and backed by a lifetime warranty rather than no warranty at all.

What are common closet organization mistakes to avoid? The most frequent mistakes Closet Factory Knoxville designers see are ignoring vertical space above a standard shelf, designing only around what is currently owned instead of leaving room to grow, and skipping proper lighting inside the closet. A free design consultation walks through all three before any materials are ordered.

What is the difference between a reach-in and a walk-in closet? A reach-in closet is a single-door opening, typically two to six feet wide, accessed from outside the space. A walk-in closet is large enough to

physically step into, generally starting around five feet by five feet. Closet Factory Knoxville designs both, maximizing every inch of a reach-in and adding more elaborate layouts, like islands or seating, in a larger walk-in. How much storage space can a custom closet system add? Because a standard wire shelf and rod setup wastes most of the vertical space in a closet, Knoxville clients regularly see close to double the practical storage capacity within the same physical footprint once a second hang zone, drawers, and taller shelving are added. Does Closet Factory Knoxville offer financing? Yes. Closet Factory Knoxville offers 0 percent financing for six to fifteen months with approved credit, making larger projects like a full primary closet or a combined closet and home office more manageable within a monthly budget. What areas does Closet Factory Knoxville serve? Closet Factory Knoxville serves the greater Knoxville area and 27 surrounding East Tennessee counties, including Farragut, Maryville, Oak Ridge, Powell, Lenoir City, and the Sevierville, Gatlinburg, and Pigeon Forge area near the Great Smoky Mountains, all from its Alcoa headquarters. What materials are used in custom closet systems? Closet Factory Knoxville's most common base material is melamine, a durable, laminate-coated panel available in dozens of finishes, chosen for its resistance to East Tennessee's humidity. Stained and painted solid wood options are also available for a more furniture-quality look in primary closets and dressing rooms. Is a custom closet worth the investment compared to wire shelving? Builder-grade wire shelving is inexpensive but wastes a significant amount of a closet's usable volume and can sag or snag fabric over time. A custom system from Closet Factory Knoxville is backed by a lifetime warranty and tends to hold up for decades, which is also a detail buyers notice favorably during a home sale. What are the latest custom closet design trends? Closet Factory Knoxville's Alcoa design team has seen growing demand for glass-front display cabinetry, built-in closet lighting, and multi-purpose rooms that combine a closet or office with a fold-away Murphy bed for guest flexibility, alongside classic favorites like pull-out shoe racks and jewelry drawers. Can Closet Factory design closets for new construction homes? Yes. New construction throughout Knox, Blount, and Loudon counties typically comes with basic wire shelving as a builder default. Closet Factory Knoxville regularly works with new homeowners shortly after closing to design a custom system that makes full use of the closet space the builder provided.