Extending your home’s square footage with outdoor rooms can result in hours of quality family time where you can relax and spend time together. In the case of these homeowners, Stockman Stonework’s design ideas were a perfect answer to taming the hillside and creating usable rooms that fit their home’s surroundings. The homeowners wanted to completely change the look of not only the backyard, but the front as well. This project was going to be a big job and cost control was very important to the homeowners. They decided to break the project down into phases.

In 2013, they tackled the first phase in the backyard. The homeowners have children and to better serve the growing family, Stockman Stoneworks began by focusing on the existing pool area to build an outdoor retreat for the family. The homeowners wanted a place where they could relax yet still be able to keep an eye on the children playing in the pool. The perfect solution was achieved by adding stone steps with decorative rock on the side of the home to allow access from the front to the back of the home. They added a new fence and retaining wall to allow privacy and prevent water runoff from reaching the pool. The level patio looks beautiful at night with the installation of ambient lighting. The family’s backyard retreat was completed in 2013.
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The family enjoyed their backyard, and in 2017 they were ready to begin phase two of their makeovers: the front of the home. Chad Stockman was ready to take on the challenging plan of this family’s makeover. The front yard had a tie wall that had to be removed. New soil was brought in to level out the area. Retaining walls with decorative rock were built to create a barrier against water damage. Large stone steps at the front of the home allowed for an elegant entrance to the home.
Next, pavers were added for the deck to create a beautifully natural look to the existing home. Pilasters were brought into the design to create stone fencing which pulled the design together. The final makeover resulted in beautiful seating areas which allow them to enjoy their wooded lot from different vantage points.

Many of us in Mid-Missouri are experienced with the damage that water and erosion can do to property. These homeowners invested in a multi-phase plan where Stockman Stoneworks integrated a beautiful design into a permanent solution. They incorporated the new curbstone curb and gutter system to direct water to a new location with ease. This new system is very effective, decorative and doesn’t break the budget.

The homeowners couldn’t be more pleased with the outcome of this multi-phase project. Their outdoor retreat is completed and has added value to their home while creating an area the family can grow with and enjoy.