

Services Guide

Eavestroughing

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1. EAVESTROUGHING OVERVIEW

1.1 GENERAL INFORMATION

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- Eavestroughs are the same things as rain gutters.
- Many eavestroughing contractors also do siding, soffit, fascia, and other related services.

1.2 SEO

Keywords (First Row – BEST, Last Row – LEAST)

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<input type="radio"/> Downspout	<input type="radio"/> Gutter	<input type="radio"/> Gutter Guards	<input type="radio"/> Roofing
<input type="radio"/> Siding	<input type="radio"/> Vinyl Siding	<input type="radio"/> Eavestrough Cleaning	<input type="radio"/> Gutter Cleaning
<input type="radio"/> Roof Eaves	<input type="radio"/> Seamless Eavestrough	<input type="radio"/> Installing Eavestrough	<input type="radio"/> Seamless Gutters

1.3 EAVESTROUGHING-RELATED SERVICES

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<http://maizeinc.ca/our-services/eavestroughs/>

<http://www.precisiongutters.com/>

<http://www.dynamicgutters.com/services/alu-rex/#structural-integrity>

http://www.homeimprovementhelper.com/roof/roof_parts.htm

<http://www.rainchains.com/aboutrainchains.html>

<http://snoblox-snojax.com/>

<http://www.doityourself.com/stry/what-is-gutter-flashing>

Examples of Products Worked on:

Type	Description
Gutters / Eavestroughing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="radio"/> Cleaning, repairing, installations<input type="radio"/> Gutters collect rainwater from the roof, then channel it to downspouts

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	<p>which direct the water away from your foundation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Gutters are often clogged by leaves, moss, and debris which must be regularly cleaned, unless you have some sort of gutter guards installed.
Gutter/Leaf Guards	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Like a strainer over the gutter. Water goes in the gutter, but leaves and debris are blown off.○ There are many different types, styles, and brands available.○ Guards offer relief of annual maintenance and gutter cleaning.○ Guards extend the life of your gutters.○ Alu-Rex is a common brand. It's the one that shows 5 big guys hanging from the gutter.○ Alu-Rex increases the strength of the gutters (ie. 5 guys hang off it)○ With Alu-Rex, instead of hangers placed every few inches (which leaves weak areas in between) hangers are continuous along the full gutter, giving it extra strength. This helps it stand up to heavy snow.
Siding	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ When gutters are damaged and need replacing, they sometimes cause water damage to siding, so many eavestroughing contractors will replace any damaged siding.○ Some contractors may offer complete siding replacements and installations as well.
Rain Chains	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Rain chains are an alternative to gutter downspouts.○ There are many styles available so you customize your chain to get the look you want. Some have cups shaped like flowers, etc.○ Rain chains often make sound as water cascades down in a waterfall.○ Some have cups, others resemble a standard chain.○ Rain chains are hung from the hole where the downspout would go.○ You can place a pot, paving stone, or similar item at the bottom to collect or break the fall of the water and direct it away from the house.
Fascia	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Trim boards that cover the rafter end of the eaves. Fascia boards are usually where the gutters are attached to the house. Fascia is usually painted to match/complement the colour of the siding/trim.○ Eavestroughing contractors often offer fascia work as well. When gutters are damaged and need replacing, they often cause water damage to soffit, and fascia, so eavestroughing contractors will work on those as well.
Soffit	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Soffit is installed on the underside of the eaves to give it a finished look. Soffit is usually a neutral colour and usually has holes in it to allow air to pass through.○ Eavestroughing contractors often offer soffit work as well. When gutters are damaged and need replacing, they often cause water damage to soffit, and fascia, so eavestroughing contractors will work

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Downspouts	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Downspouts evacuate water collected by the eaves, draining it away from the foundation○ Colours can be matched to make sure everything blends in.
Snow Stops / Snow Guards	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Keep dangerous snow and ice from sliding off a roof and falling, usually for sloped metal roofs
Gutter Flashing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Installed just below the roof line inside the gutter○ Used for waterproofing to stop water from running behind the gutter and seeping into the building○ Can be made of aluminum or plastic
Rain Barrels	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Collects rain water for use on gardens and lawns○ Helps conserve drinking water

2. GUTTERS AND DOWNSPOUTS

2.1 INSTALLATIONS, REPLACEMENTS, AND REPAIRS

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<http://maizeinc.ca/what-you-need-to-know/>

<http://www.weatherguardgutters.com/>

General:

- Eavestroughs (also known as gutters or eaves) are drainage devices which play an important role on the exterior of your home or business.
- The main purpose of a rain gutter is to protect a building's foundation by channeling water away from its base.
- They also help to reduce erosion, prevent leaks in basements and crawlspaces, protect painted surfaces by reducing exposure to water and provide a means to collect rainwater for later use.
- In the long run, eavestroughs that are not professionally installed may start a water runoff that can create damage to the foundation. This could eventually bring flooding in the basement.
- As well, clogged gutters could cause water leakage into the house as the water backs up. Clogged gutters can also lead to stagnant water build-up which allows mosquitoes to breed and also allow grasses and weeds to grow into the eaves.

Services/Products under Gutters/Downspouts:

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<http://www.weatherguardgutters.com/gutter-services/gutter-repairs/>



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<http://www.dynamicgutters.com/blog/gutter-styles-what-style-or-profiles-are-gutters-available-in/>

Service/Product	Description
Gutter Repairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Check for water damage, rotten fascia boards, siding or soffit damage, etc.○ Replace damaged components○ Check the slope of your gutter system○ Deal with any leaks or clogs
Gutter Installation / Replacement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Commercial/industrial<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ The gutter system must be protected from pests like birds and rodents.▪ When commercial gutters fail, the indoor products and equipment could be damaged by rain and snow.▪ Customers and employees must be protected from any dangers associated with falling snow/ice.▪ Property must be protected from erosion.○ Residential<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Different gutter profiles may be available to match the style of your house. The “profile” refers to the shape of the outside of the gutter. Some examples are: colonial, crown (similar to crown moulding), step (looks like 3 tiered steps), and half round.▪ Properly functioning gutters protect both the interior and exterior of the home from water damage.

Types of gutters:

*List the sources here that were used for this information.

<http://calgaryroofingdoneright.com/calgary-roofing/gutters-calgary/>

<http://www.phillipsgutters.com/gutter-installation/gutter-sizes>

<https://www.thisoldhouse.com/ideas/how-to-size-gutters-and-downspouts>

Steps	Description
Continuous/Seamless	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The eavestroughing available at most home improvement stores is sectional. It comes in varying lengths and the sections are fit together and installed on your home.○ Professionally installed eavestroughs are continuous (seamless) – custom and precisely fit for your home. Continuous eavestroughs not only reduce the possibility of leaks and corrosion, but are more visually

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	appealing due to the absence of unsightly seams.
5" wide, 6" wide, 7" wide, 8" wide	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To determine the width of a gutter, measure from the back to the front at the widest part of the gutter. The width of gutter that is needed for a home or commercial building is determined by the size and slope of the roof and the amount of rainfall the region receives. Larger buildings that have larger roofs will need to be able to handle larger volumes of water.

Materials:

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<http://calgaryroofingdoneright.com/calgary-roofing/gutters-calgary/>

<http://www.weatherguardgutters.com/5-benefits-of-zinc-gutters-for-your-vancouver-property/>

http://www.amerimax.com/ca/products_gutters_vinyl.php

<http://www.specialtydesign.com/blog/copper-gutters-cost-and-how-to-choose/>

Type	Description/Benefits
Aluminum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aluminum eavestroughs generally cost a little more but they come in a wide variety of custom colours. Aluminum is corrosion resistant and the paint is baked on to eliminate frequent repainting.
Vinyl	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vinyl gutter is durable, lightweight and easy to install, with no sealants or special tools required Will not rust, dent or crush
Steel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard eavestroughing is made of steel and typically available in white, chocolate brown and ivory and a few specialty colours. Steel eavestroughs should be repainted every several years to prevent corrosion.
Copper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most expensive option on the market Copper is more durable than aluminum. It's a more solid alloy than aluminum, it never rusts and it never needs painting. Gives your home a unique, dramatic look Copper gutters also need copper everything, including accessories and fasteners. Aluminum hangers will react adversely and actually break down the copper. Always hang copper with copper itself, brass or stainless steel. Copper requires extra time and care for the contractor to install and prevent pre-mature tarnishing. Copper even requires special gloves for installation. Copper often requires additional soldering around the joints. Extra work =

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	more labour = higher cost.
Zinc Gutters	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Gutters with a galvanized zinc coating offer protection against the buildup of moss, mould, mildew, and fungus. This is especially useful in moist climates or areas with limited sunlight. Zinc strips are often used on roofs to prevent moss from growing, so when you have your whole gutter system made from zinc, it offers a great defense.

2.2 LEAF GUARDS

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<https://household-tips.thefuntimesguide.com/gutter-guards/>

- Most leaf guards can be added to existing gutters.
- Leaf guards prevent birds and rodents from building nests in the gutters.
- They eliminate the need to clean your gutters frequently.
- Leaf guards prevent the build-up of stagnant water in your gutters, which could otherwise back up and overflow into your home or serve as a breeding ground for insects.
- Your gutters will last longer, since they won't prematurely rust and rot from the moisture and debris sitting in them.
- Leaf guards enable more efficient rain water harvesting by improving the flow of water and filtering out some contaminants.

Types of Leaf Guards:

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<http://www.dynamicgutters.com/services/alu-rex/#structural-integrity>

<https://www.leafguard.com/>

<http://www.gutterbasket.com/products.html>

<http://www.familyhandyman.com/roof/gutter-repair/the-best-gutter-guards-for-your-home/view-all>

Service/Product	Description
Covered Gutters	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ LeafGuard is a brand of covered gutter that is all one piece. It has a built-in hood that deflects leaves and debris. Being a one-piece gutter makes it durable to last many years.○ The Englert LeafGuard gutter system works on the scientific principle of Liquid Adhesion. The gutter's patented design allows rainwater to travel down and around its curved hood and into the gutter, while deflecting leaves and debris.
Gutter Guards	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Gutter guards are usually made of aluminum and have little holes like a colander. They are attached over existing or new gutters with screws.

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	<p>Water falls through the holes into the gutter while leaves and debris fall to the ground. Some versions, like Alu-Rex increase the strength of the gutters as well.</p>
Gutter Screens	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Plastic screens are inexpensive, readily available, and easy to install as a DIY project○ Keeps out larger leaves and debris○ Works with various roof types: shingles, steel, slate, wood, tile, and even old, brittle shingles○ May eventually be damaged by UV sunlight, branches, snow, ice and strong winds can damage high-profile styles that protrude above gutters○ Can get clogged with seeds and needles○ Screens and gutters may need occasional maintenance/cleaning, and cleaning is difficult
Gutter Baskets	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ A gutter basket is a perforated metal hood that fits over downspouts, keeping out debris, such as leaves, branches and pine needles. As a result, rainwater can flow through the downspouts even when gutters are filled with leaves.○ This type of leaf guard doesn't keep the gutters from filling with leaves and needles, so gutters will still need to be cleaned seasonally.

2.3 GUTTER CLEANING

Process:

*List the sources here that were used for this information.

<http://adequatesolutions.ca/>

Steps	Description
1. Debris Removal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Basic gutter cleaning involves removing leaves, needles, and any other debris from the gutters and downspouts.
2. Cleaning	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Some gutter cleaners will clean both the interior and exterior of the gutters. Moss and mould removal may cost extra.
3. Checking for Damage	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Some gutter cleaners will check for water damage, rotten fascia boards, siding or soffit damage, etc. and make repairs. These services usually cost extra.

Why Hire a Professional:

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<http://adequatesolutions.ca/gutter-cleaning.html>

- Cleaning your gutters yourself can be dangerous, especially if your home is multiple stories tall.
- You could damage your gutters if you lean the ladder against them. You could also damage your roof shingles if you don't know what you're doing.

Benefits of Regular Gutter Cleaning:

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<https://household-tips.thefuntimesguide.com/gutter-guards/>

- Prevents the build-up of stagnant water in your gutters, which could otherwise back up and overflow into your home or serve as a breeding ground for insects
- Your gutters will last longer, since they won't prematurely rust and rot from the moisture and debris sitting in them.
- Overflowing gutters can cause erosion in your lawn. Water could get into your foundation or damage your siding, fascia, and even the interior of your home.

3. SIDING

3.1 TYPES OF SIDING

*List the sources here that were used for this information.

<http://www.sidingestimator.org/types-of-siding/>

- Also see the Siding vertical for more info on this.

3.1.1 Vinyl

- Most common type of siding
- Vinyl siding is common due to its combination of durability, colour options, and low cost which make it attractive to the budget-conscious homeowner.
- Pros and Cons:

Pros	Cons
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Vinyl siding is durable and typically is under warranty for 30-40 years after installation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Although it is water-resistant, it is not waterproof. Poor installation can lead to water seeping behind the paneling which leads to mould and other issues.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The colour options of vinyl are endless, with	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ It is known to warp and bend under extreme

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hundreds of colour palettes to choose from.	weather conditions of both heat & cold.
○ It is versatile and can be textured like wood without the disadvantages of decay or termites.	○ The colour you choose is permanent, unlike other siding that can be repainted different colours.
○ Simple and easy to clean, vinyl siding just needs a power hose and some water.	○ Compared to something like brick siding; hail, baseballs, tree limbs, etc. can leave dents and gashes in the side of your home.
○ There's a wide range in quality of the vinyl materials. You can even get insulated vinyl if you live in colder climates to increase energy efficiency.	○
○ Insulated vinyl siding has the potential to raise your energy efficiency R value from 2 – 5.5!	○
○ Finally, vinyl siding is probably the cheapest option when upgrading your exterior siding.	○

3.1.2 Metal

- Metal siding is usually associated with retro and modern style buildings. Installing metal siding for your home can give it a unique appeal if done properly. The most common types of materials are aluminum and steel siding.
- Aluminum siding is more popular in the coastal areas due to its protection against the salty air. Steel on the other hand is more prone to rust but is resilient to hail damage.
- Pros and Cons:

Pros	Cons
○ Metal cannot mould or rot unlike other siding with the potential for water damage.	○ Metal siding, if not properly sealed and finished, can lead to rust and discolouration.
○ Very low maintenance even in harsh winters unlike other siding prone to Mother Nature.	○ With ever newer materials, metal has lost appeal and some still see it as a 'shed' like.
○ No fading of colour with steel siding unlike vinyl.	○ Aluminum siding is a soft metal and is prone to dents from hail, rocks, baseballs, etc.
○ Eco friendly and green product since each panel is precisely cut with little waste material.	○ Aluminum siding is more prone to fading and at times difficult to match pre-coloured panels.

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○ Fire resistant & resilient, good for dry areas or locations with frequent lightning storms.	○ Steel siding is heavy and requires more time to install thus driving up the cost.
○ Insects cannot find a home in metal siding, while other siding requires periodic spraying of insecticide.	○ Metal siding is more easily scratched exposing the metal beneath which can rust very quickly if not resealed and re-painted.

3.1.3 Wood

- This type of siding can add a natural and beautiful exterior to your house. The changing colours and tones of wood instantly make a home feel warm and inviting. There are several species of wood to choose from such as: spruce, pine, fir, cedar, and redwood.
- Apart from the kind of wood you choose you will also have the choice of 4 different profiles: bevel (clapboard), shakes or shingles, board and batten, or engineered wood. This type of siding is particularly dominant in the west, and continues to be a top choice for homeowners with its classic & timeless look.
- Pros and Cons:

Pros	Cons
○ Wood has the advantage of being easily replaced in small quantities if damaged. Other types of siding require replacing whole panels and sides.	○ It can be stained/painted limitless colours, but this also is a drawback as it must be maintained.
○ Without question this is the greenest siding you can find on the market.	○ Damage to wood can come from insects or water. Termites and other wood eating insects can wreak havoc on a home with wood siding.
○ Wood can be stained and painted in limitless colours, there are no bounds.	○ The cost of maintenance adds up: must stained every 2-3 years, and repainted every 4-5 years.
○ Wood siding has a higher R-Value than most of ~.8 making it more energy efficient.	○ It's not fire resistant which can play a factor in dry climate areas.
○ It's lightweight, so it's faster and easier to install, reducing overall labour cost and time.	○

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3.1.4 Fibre Cement

- On the heels of vinyl siding, another popular siding option is fibre cement. This is a mixture of wood fibres, sand, and cement. It is built to mimic the look and feel of natural wood siding, with less hassle of maintenance, insects, and cost.
- The most popular brand of fibre cement is James Hardie Siding Manufacturer from Australia. The interest of this type of siding has risen dramatically due to its durability, making it a low-cost wood alternative.
- Pros and Cons:

Pros	Cons
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Get the look and feel of real wood without the high cost or susceptibility to wood insects.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ For self-installation, the material is quite heavy requiring 2 people as well as special cutting tools.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Fibre cement is extremely fire resistant with a class 1A fire rating.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ It's more costly than its synthetic cousin vinyl siding by 2-3 times as much.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ It's not prone to rot or decay like wood and is resistant to salty air for coastal areas.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Although not as often as wood, it does have to be repainted every 12-15 years.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ It's easy to maintain and is guaranteed up front for 15 years not to fade or chip.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Some evidence of delaminating or gapping of the material may occur, although not frequently.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ It's very versatile in its finish and texture offering many design and colour options such as brick and stone textures.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Colour does not go all the way through the product like vinyl, so touch ups will be required for chips and damage.

3.1.5 Brick

- Brick siding is an attractive choice mostly because it is considered to last a lifetime. This coupled with its rustic, elegant, and pleasing aesthetic have many homeowners returning to brick exterior siding. You can find houses and buildings built over 100 years ago with the brick siding still in good condition.
- Brick siding comes in regular brick masonry (solid brick) as well as brick veneer which is a finished exterior that sits on the house as opposed to solid brick which holds up the house. Brick veneer is usually a thinner layer on the exterior of the home like traditional siding.
- Pros and Cons:

Pros	Cons
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Brick can easily last a lifetime, 100+ years,	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Brick siding is definitely one of the more

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with just a general wash every now and then.	expensive options for siding, ranging from \$10 – \$15 per square foot.
○ Brick siding is highly fire resistant.	○ Colour choice is set once you decide on the type of brick, no repainting allowed.
○ No termites or wood ants will be found inside of a brick siding.	○ Over time the mortar joints can deteriorate and need to be replaced.
○ Brick never needs to be repainted or finished, weathers beautifully, and will not fade or decay.	○ Long installation time if you are doing this yourself.
○ Because it's fire resistant, termite proof, and durable, home insurance is usually lower for brick siding homes allowing you to recover your investment faster.	○

3.1.6 Stucco

- Stucco siding is a more traditional Spanish style exterior made up of a lime mixture, sand, and cement. Although you can paint stucco, it does not hold well and often requires repainting.
- A stucco exterior starts with a wooden wall, covered by a wire mesh to hold the final layer of stucco mixture. On the market there are 2 options: traditional stucco (3-coat) or synthetic stucco or EIFS (Exterior Insulation & Finish System). 3-coat stucco consists of a scratch coat, brown coat, and then finish coat.
- Pros and Cons:

Pros	Cons
○ Stucco is durable and can last 50 – 100 years with minimal maintenance and upkeep.	○ If a home's foundation begins to move, the stucco can easily crack.
○ Damage can be repaired with negligible costs as opposed to replacing whole panels.	○ Weathering and dirt show up more easily on stucco siding.
○ Stucco can be mixed to specific colour options giving you the look you want.	○ Although breathable, heavy rainfall areas are not suitable for stucco.
○ There are no insect or rot problems with stucco siding.	○ Once colour is chosen, you will not want to repaint.
○ The very breathable material allows for quick drying in areas with normal rainfall.	○ From a distance, it looks like a plain flat finish.

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3.1.7 Stone

- Stone siding is the granddaddy of all siding and comes with the highest cost of siding to install. The 2 options are real stone siding and faux stone siding (stone veneer).
- Pros and Cons:

Pros	Cons
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Stone is impenetrable by Mother Nature and will last a lifetime.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Installing natural stone requires heavy labour and installation time driving up the cost.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The look and feel of real stone is unmatched and is considered the Rolls-Royce of siding.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Stone veneer can have the same moisture problems as stucco.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Stone veneer gives you a similar look of stone but at about half the cost.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Faux stone does not adapt well to extreme temperatures, freezing, or thawing.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ It's resistant to moisture, extreme temperatures, insects, and fire.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○
<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ It requires zero maintenance other than being cleaned with a pressure washer.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○

3.2 SIDING SERVICES

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<http://www.dangeloandsons.com/roofing-eavestrough-siding-guelph-ontario>

Service/Product	Description
Siding Installations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Some eavestroughing contractors also do other exterior services like roofing and siding and will offer new installation of siding for construction.
Siding Replacements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Some eavestroughing contractors offer siding replacements and will remove old siding and replace it with new.
Siding Repairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ When eavestroughing leaks, it can damage siding, fascia, and soffit. Many eavestroughing contractors offer siding repairs to deal with damage caused by your old eavestroughing. Siding repairs usually consist of replacing small sections of siding and matching the colour for minimal visibility.

4. SOFFIT

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<https://www.angieslist.com/articles/understanding-fascia-and-soffit-repair.htm>

- Soffit is the exposed surface beneath the overhanging section of a roof eave.
- Part of the function of the soffit is to assist in ventilating the attic. The soffit typically features a plain design with small holes that provide air circulation. The air from the soffit cycles to the vents to draw heat and moisture away from the house. This is a highly important function because moisture in the attic can develop rot in the sheathing and rafters.
- Most soffits are made from vinyl, an effective material for withstanding the degradation that comes from heat and moisture exposure. This is especially important considering that the soffit can be easily exposed to moisture due to unkempt gutters and wet weather conditions.
- It's important that your soffit stays in good condition as it can become damaged over time due to insects, small animals, rotting, and cracking.

5. FASCIA

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- Roofing fascia board is another common area that can be damaged and may need to be repaired. The fascia is a vertical finishing edge connected to the ends of the rafters, trusses, or the area where the gutter is attached to the roof. The primary role of the fascia is to act as a layer between the edge of the roof and the outdoors, and is meant to protect the wooden board against water damage that can occur during certain weather conditions.
- Aside from its functional role, the fascia also plays a very important aesthetic role since it creates a smoother, more even appearance for the edge of the roof. In addition to protecting the wooden board from water damage, the fascia protects the entire roof and the interior of the house from weather damage by blocking its entrance to the home. The majority of homes will feature a fascia board, but some older home styles lack this component.
- If the soffit or the fascia were to develop rot or show other signs of damage, it's important that you get repairs to prevent exposing your home to damaging weather conditions due to a lack of proper protection.