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## It's All Here – The 2025 RI Home Show

The 75th RI Home Show returns to the Convention Center from April 10th-April 13th, bigger and better than ever! Show hours are: Thursday and Friday 12 pm – 9 pm, Saturday 10 am – 9 pm and Sunday 10 am – 5 pm. Members should have received complimentary member tickets in the mail. Member free passes are good for any day of the show. Additionally, each pass – which is good for all four days – admits two people into the event, so please be sure to bring along your family, friends and your best clients!

The Rhode Island Home Show is the largest home improvement show in Southern New England. It features the 12th Annual Energy

Expo, 10,000 sq feet of Gardens, the Specialty RI Flower Show, Inspirational Seminars, the House of Brews - where attendees will be able to sample free beers from local breweries and The ADU, an actual Accessory Dwelling Unit that attendees can tour. Plus, hundreds of home-related exhibitors with trends, services and ideas in home improvement, remodeling, interior design, decorating, landscaping and so much more!

Be sure to check out [www.rihomedshow.com](http://www.rihomedshow.com) for additional details, seminar schedules as well as other content. Please be sure to stop by the RIBA booth (#900) to say hello!



**RI Home Show**  
**APRIL 10 – 13**  
RI CONVENTION CENTER

FEATURING

- The ADU (Accessory Dwelling Unit)
- RI Flower Show
- energy expo
- the garden
- HOUSE BREWS

## RI House Speaker Shekarchi unveils 2025 housing bill package

On Feb. 27, R.I. House Speaker Joseph Shekarchi (D-Warwick) announced a 12-bill legislative package. The bills aim to expand affordable housing options by addressing zoning laws, building codes, higher density development and more. Some of the measures would expand electronic permitting, promote development of state-owned vacant properties

and aim to centralize and streamline the duties of state officials, employees, commissions and boards related to housing fire codes and permitting. This is the fifth housing bill package that Shekarchi has proposed since becoming speaker in 2021 with each successive package designed to build upon the previous efforts. The speaker also vowed to

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## Focused on Growth, the Roof is the Limit!



Eric Bucci's desire to use his hands was cultivated throughout his youth by his father. He fondly recalls watching him build their family home from the ground up. Eric learned and absorbed his attentiveness toward the small details. With his own hands, his dad even crafted their very first living room furniture, which the family enjoyed for

many years. This ultimately gave Eric a love for construction and laid the foundation on which Bucci Roofing LLC was built.

Eric attended trade school after high school and worked many odd jobs. During their 20's, he and his wife, Linda, lived and worked in both Atlanta and Las Vegas. Eric honed his skills while he worked on different home framing crews, eventually becoming a framing and cut man. After 8 months in Vegas, Rhode Island called for their return with the opportunity to purchase his childhood home. Over time, he and Linda built additions, barns, a gazebo and 30-foot pergola on the property. These experiences pushed Eric to pursue a career in sales for roofing, siding and more. He also gained valuable insight into the insurance industry from a colleague. With successful careers, he and Linda built a life they were happy with.

Life threw a curve ball to the Bucci Family, and they found themselves reassessing their path. The family rallied and out of this need and the desire to bring his talents to the industry, Bucci Roofing LLC was born. Eric's sales background proved invaluable in guiding his business to success. Eric and Linda work side-by-side with their trusted staff and crew and have seen exponential growth since their beginnings in 2014.

Eric's vision for his company is to be known for its attention to detail, accuracy and thorough work. One of his goals is to limit surprises for the crew and the customer. As a homeowner, he attests, "No one likes surprises!" He credits the Rhode Island Builders Association for providing ongoing education that keeps him in-the-know about important industry standards. "With so many contractors in the market, it is so important to be on the same page."

You can come see Eric and his crew from Bucci Roofing LLC at the 75th Annual Rhode Island Home Show this month, April 10-13th at the Rhode Island Convention Center. He can't wait to see you there!



### *Bucci Roofing LLC*

*Owner: Eric Bucci*

*RIBA Member since: 2020*

*Focus: Residential Roofing*

*Company Founded: 2014*

*Based: North Scituate, RI*

