

Muncie Roofers Warn That Small Roof Problems Can Lead to Big Repairs

Local experts stress the importance of roof inspections to prevent major structural damage and denied insurance claims.

MUNCIE, IN, UNITED STATES, June 7, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Small roof problems are often easy to ignore—until they turn into much bigger issues. Muncie roofers are seeing more cases where simple fixes, like a missing shingle or a tiny ceiling stain, have grown into major repairs costing thousands of dollars.

"People often think they can wait, but water damage doesn't wait," said Travis Burnett of Central Indiana Roofing, a roofing contractor based in Muncie. "We've seen small leaks turn into mold,



structural damage, and even full roof replacements."

SMALL PROBLEMS, BIG COSTS

A minor roof issue may not seem urgent. But once water gets into a home, it can damage insulation, stain walls, and warp drywall. More seriously, it can lead to mold. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) warns that mold can begin growing within just 24 to 48 hours in damp conditions, posing health risks for families.

In one case, Muncie homeowner Linda Thompson shared how ignoring a ceiling stain led to over \$10,000 in repairs.

"I thought it was just a cosmetic issue," Thompson said. "By the time I got it checked, I had water damage, mold in the attic, and had to replace part of my roof."

ROOF DAMAGE ISN'T ALWAYS OBVIOUS

Even if a roof looks fine from the street, it may have hidden problems. Wind can lift shingles just enough to let water in. Flashing—the thin metal that seals roof edges—can come loose during storms. And small holes may only show their effects after weeks of rainfall.

That's why <u>roof inspection</u> is so important, according to Burnett.

"We've seen too many cases where people call after noticing a leak, only to find out it's been a problem for months," he said. "Inspections help catch these issues early."

ENERGY LOSS AND INSURANCE RISK A damaged roof can also affect a home's energy efficiency. Gaps and cracks allow indoor air to escape, making heating and cooling systems work harder. This drives up energy bills—another hidden cost of delayed roof maintenance.





There's also the risk of insurance not

covering the damage. Many policies don't cover problems caused by neglect. If an insurance adjuster determines that damage could have been prevented with proper upkeep, claims may be denied.

THE VALUE OF PREVENTIVE CARE

Regular inspections help extend the life of a roof. They also provide peace of mind. Muncie roofers recommend homeowners get a professional checkup at least once a year or after any major storm.

These inspections can catch issues early—often before they're visible indoors. Common problems like loose flashing, worn sealant, or cracked shingles can usually be fixed quickly and affordably.

For more information on roof inspections, repairs, and maintenance, visit <u>Central Indiana</u> <u>Roofing, LLC's</u> website.

ABOUT CENTRAL INDIANA ROOFING, LLC

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