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What level of investment is required to hire an Architect?

The term 'Cost' is relative to context. Having an Architect involved in your project typically saves you money, over and above what you pay them for their services. So when you think: "How much will I have to pay this professional?" perhaps you might consider thinking: "How much is this professional going to save me in the long run?".

If you were contemplating having a brain operation, you would hire a skilled neurosurgeon. You certainly wouldn't think of having your relative bring his hand auger over to your garage for a medical session, would you? Ridiculous. And if you were falsely accused of murder, you'd want a respected criminal defense Attorney, right? Now think for a second about being your own attorney in a court of law with your life on the line.

Carry that analogy through for an architectural project; a custom designed commercial building or one of a kind custom home:

Both happen to be one of the most complex types of projects there are on the planet. It will be site specific, have a unique program, restrictions, budget, location, and permitting circumstances. Also, your project will probably be the most expensive investment of your entire life. You definitely should have an Architect consult, design, and document it with you, and for you.

The return on investment (ROI) is very high on Architectural fees, far and above the value invested! Fees you spend will come back to you in a number of ways, including the entire fee over the life of the project in energy savings alone! Other areas where you will save money are: Clarity of scope documented at each project phase, utilization of current building methods, engineering and materials, efficiently beautiful spaces and site; essentially your needs and vision realized.

That being said, an Architect will probably cost you somewhere in the rates described on these webpages:

[how much does an architect cost you for a home](#)

[how much does an architect cost you for a commercial project](#)

This estimates the charges you will encounter, contracting an Architect design, lead and manage your project. Let's get it done!