## **WHY BRICK** is affordable



SQ.FT. COST + BENEFITS





## **SQ.FT. SHOWDOWN**



COMPARING THE SQ.FT. COST & BENEFITS OF EXTERIOR CLADDINGS

VS

**Clay Brick** \$6.03<sup>\*</sup> / SQ.FT



**PROS:** Naturally made; wide color & texture options; high energy efficiency & noise retention; lower insurance premiums; no maintenance; higher resale values

CONS: TBD





\$1.99<sup>\*</sup> / SQ.FT

PROS: Cheap; easy to install CONS: Fades & dents; prone to moisture damage & fires. Poor energy and sound retention; high maintenance



## **Fiber Cement**

\$3.00° / SQ.FT

PROS: Low cost; no special support needed CONS: Unsightly seams; prone to wind, fire & moisture damage; requires continual maintenance



\$4.76<sup>\*</sup> / SQ.FT

**PROS:** Various colors; improved energy & sound retention CONS: Prone to cracks, holes & insect infestation; higher insurance premiums possible; continual maintenance required



## **Genuine Stone**



PROS: Natural materials; various design options; high resale value; low maintenance

CONS: Requires special trade skills to install; high cost

\*Listed price is a national average for 1,800 - 2,400 exterior wall space for a 1-story home with 2,100 sq.ft. of living space, for product and typical installation and is based on data by RSMeans | The Gordian Group, Installed Cost of Residential Siding, Comparative Study; October 2015