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Second-place winner of the Kitchens Under \$50,000 category, designed by Sandra Diaz-Velasco of EOLO A&I Design, Miami, FL.

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Kitchens Under \$50,000 - KBDA 2016 Silver Winner

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Multifunctional took on a whole new meaning for the kitchen remodel in this 1970s condo located in Miami. Designed to be a second home for a Washington, DC-based lawyer, the condo was being full renovated, including expanding the kitchen and giving it a decidedly bachelor pad aesthetic.

Though the new kitchen was part of an open floor plan, the owner wanted to incorporate and disguise a fully equipped home office within the space. Designer Sandra Diaz-Velasco of EOLO A&I Design in Miami worked with Luis Carlos Torres of Metal & Wood in Pembroke Pines, FL, to create a kitchen that provided a work space as well as the opportunity to entertain guests while keeping the condo tidy with minimal effort.

To begin, white custom wall cabinets were brought further into the living space to expand the kitchen area, while the pantry and laundry areas were integrated into the darker cabinets along the back wall. Compac quartz surfacing in Absolute Blanc works along the countertop and backsplash. A deep Franke sink teams with a Hansgrohe Talis faucet, in line with the dishwasher, Frigidaire range and microwave.

A convertible moveable desk/island provides a multipurpose surface that could be tucked away when not in use; it's fully equipped with a hidden printer/shredder for office tasks and provides additional storage space.