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**629 Colfax Street** in Evanston, IL, is a two-and-a-half story wood frame single family residence built in 1920. The building was in extremely poor condition and suffered from structural issues, energy efficiency deficiencies from the original design, and a series of poorly designed and constructed alterations over the years.

629 Colfax could have easily been slated for demolition, but was instead creatively rehabbed to salvage as much of the existing building as possible, repurposing it from its original design as a single family home to Northwestern University Study Abroad Offices.

Because of the change of use from residential space to office space, several new fire rated doors and a new code-compliant fire alarm system was integrated into the building. The building received a full mechanical, plumbing and electrical overhaul.

The renovations to 629 Colfax have created a pleasant and comfortable office environment while maintaining the original style and residential character of the existing building and street.