

Rough Expense Estimate

1. Frame (2x4 Pressure-Treated Lumber)

- Cuts needed:
 - 4 × 3 ft (top & bottom long sides)
 - 4 × 2 ft (top & bottom short sides)
 - 4 × 2 ft (vertical corners)

Total wood needed: ~28 linear feet

Buy: 4 × 2x4x8 ft boards

Cost: ~\$20-\$30

2. Panels (3/4" Exterior Plywood)

- Cuts:
 - Bottom: 3 ft × 2 ft
 - 2 sides: 2 ft × 2 ft
 - 2 sides: 3 ft × 2 ft

Total: ~20 sqft (half a sheet)

Buy: 1 × 4x8 sheet

Cost: ~\$40-\$60

3. Lid (Frame + Plexiglass Center)

- Lid structure:
 - Frame: 2x4 border
 - Center cutout: ~2 ft × 1 ft (for plexiglass)
- Plexiglass:
 - OPTIX Acrylic Sheet 24 in × 18–24 in × 1/4 in

Cost: ~\$25-\$40

4. Hinges

- 1 × Everbilt Soft-Close Lid Support (pair)
- 2 × Standard outdoor hinges (for alignment)

Cost: ~\$25-\$40

5. Screws

- GRK exterior screws

Cost: ~\$5-\$10

6. Anchoring(Using anchor bolts)

*Anchor bolts would be used to secure the box to a preexisting concrete floor

- 4 anchor bolts

Cost: \$25-\$50

7. Coating

- Thompson's WaterSeal (1 quart)
- BEHR Exterior Paint (1 quart)

Cost: ~\$30-\$50

8. Extras

- Corner brackets: \$10
- Rubber bumpers: \$5

Total Estimate: \$170-\$280 per box

**Please keep in mind that this is an estimate; costs can be cut in many places and in many ways to reduce total expenses. (E.g., buying in bulk)*