

## Add a custom icon and header link on your homepage

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Do you want to add an icon with text to your homepage? This can be a great way to encourage people to jump to a particular category or resource or encourage awareness of specific issues or content.

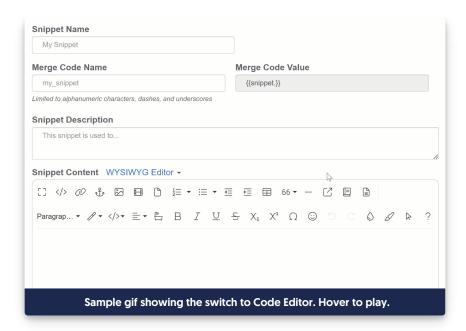
In this example, we walk through creating a snippet that contains a div with a Font Awesome icon, some text, and a link to content in your knowledge base. You can then add that snippet to your homepage to display it.

The end-result will look something like this:



## Create the snippet

- 1. Go to Snippets in the lefthand navigation. The Snippets page opens.
- Select + Create New Snippet. If you're not familiar with creating snippets, refer to Create a snippet for more detailed instructions.
- 3. Enter a Snippet Name for your snippet, like Homepage icon and link. The Merge Code Name is automatically calculated from the name.
- 4. Enter a **Snippet Description**. When anyone tries to insert a snippet using the editor, this description will be shown to them, so make it useful.
- 5. Select the Snippet Content dropdown and select Code Editor.



6. Copy the code below and paste it into the editor window:

```
<div class="homepage-callout-icon">
 <!--Adjust the URL below to point to the location you want to use -->
 <a href="https://support.knowledgeowl.com/help/breaking-news">
  <!--Font Awesome icon. Can be replaced with code for other FA icons -->
   <i class="fa fa-life-ring" aria-hidden="true"></i>
  <!--Text you want displayed below the icon-->
  <div>Breaking News!</div>
</a>
</div>
<style>
/* Style for icon */
.homepage-callout-icon i {
  max-width: 240px;
  color: #A1222F;
  font-size: 48px;
}
/* Style for hyperlink text */
.hg-minimalist-theme div.homepage-callout-icon a {
 color: #A1222F;
}
/* For next section, choose one alignment and remove/comment out the other two
Left is used as default */
/* Center*/
/*.homepage-callout-icon {
  text-align:center;
  margin: 20px 0;
}*/
/* Left */
.homepage-callout-icon {
  display: inline-block;
  text-align:center;
  margin: 20px 0;
/* Right */
/* .homepage-callout-icon {
  display: inline-block;
  text-align:center;
  margin: 20px 0;
  float: right;
}*/
</style>
```

- 7. In row 3, change the <a href="https://support.knowledgeowl.com/help/breaking-news" to reference the URL you'd like this section to point to. If it's within your knowledge base, you only need to use the relative URL (/help/, /home/, or /docs/ with the URL of the specific article or category).</a>
- 8. In row 5: we use a Font Awesome life preserver ring icon. To change this:
  - Head to the free Font Awesome icons.
  - o Browse or search for an icon you'd like to use.
  - Select it and copy the HTML it displays for the icon.

- Replace the HTML in row 5 with the HTML you copied from Font Awesome.
- 9. In row 7: Update the text you want displayed with the icon by editing this line. Make sure you keep it wrapped in <div> and </div> .
- 10. In row 14, change the color and size of the icon by adjusting the styles for homepage-callout-icon i.
- 11. In row 19, change the color of the text font by changing the color for .hg-minimalist-theme div.homepage-callout-icon a .
- 12. Rows 22-42: Choose one of the alignment options and delete or comment out the other two. The code sample defaults to left alignment if you don't make a selection here.
- 13. *Optional:* If you'd like the linked icon and text to be visible only to certain reader groups, select those reader groups using the boxes in the **Restrict to Reader Groups** section.
- 14. When you're done making adjustments, select Create.

With your snippet created, follow the instructions to Add the snippet to your homepage.

Here's a completed snippet using the "Center" align with a newspaper icon and text "Latest Releases!" and the colors changed to a dark blue:

```
<div class="homepage-callout-icon">
 <!--Adjust the URL below to point to the location you want to use -->
 <a href="/docs/release-notes">
  <!--FontAwesome icon. Can be replaced with code for other FA icons -->
   <i class="fa-regular fa-newspaper"></i>
  <!--Text you want displayed below the icon-->
  <div>Latest Releases!</div>
 </a>
</div>
<style>
/* Style for icon */
.homepage-callout-icon i {
 max-width: 240px;
 color: #1d284f:
 font-size: 48px;
 /* Style for hyperlink text */
.hg-minimalist-theme div.homepage-callout-icon a {
 color: #1d284f;
 }
 /* Center*/
 .homepage-callout-icon {
  text-align:center;
 margin: 20px 0;
 }
</style>
```

## Add the snippet to your homepage

- 1. Copy the Merge Code Value of the snippet.
- 2. Go to Customize > Style (HTML & CSS).
- 3. In the Customize HTML, CSS, and JS section, select Custom HTML.
- 4. Select Homepage from the Select HTML section to edit dropdown.
- 5. Paste the merge code value where you'd like your icon and link to appear in your homepage. This may take some trial and error.
  - To place it below the search bar but above the category icons, enter it on a new line between the hgarticle-body div and the div with the icon-cats template in it, for example, here it is in row 7:

## Sample of how that code displays in the live knowledge base

 To place it between the title and the search bar, enter it on a new line between the h1 with the homepage title merge code and the large-search template, for example, here it is in row 3:

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6. Save your changes.