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Free Workshop Energy Efficiency Workshop Coming This Saturday in Palmdale

PALMDALE – The City of Palmdale, in partnership with The Energy Network, will kick off its “Upgrade 100 Homes for Energy Efficiency Campaign” by hosting a free “Greener Homes Workshop” this Saturday, May 2 from 10:30 am to 12 noon at the Manzanita Neighborhood Center, located at 38627 East 32nd Street East.

The presentation will cover how your home uses and loses energy, rebates and financing available through Home Upgrade, and what to consider before going solar. Local contractors who are participating in the statewide Energy Upgrade California® Home Upgrade rebate program will be on hand to answer questions about your home’s needs.

Information will be presented in English and Spanish. Free refreshments will be available and prizes will be given away.

“Are you looking for ways to make your home more energy efficient and valuable?” asked Palmdale Administrative Analyst Ben Lucha. “This workshop will give you the information you need to get started.”

“We’re coinciding the workshop with our other environmentally friendly events such as Environmental Pride Month and the 2015 Season of Service, to help bring our City closer to a greener, more sustainable future,” Lucha said. “Our goal is to help make 100 Palmdale homes more energy efficient which will reduce energy costs for the homeowners and improve the overall environment. Home Upgrade is a great program for the average homeowner to get started.”

To RSVP, please visit <http://tenres.com/Palmdale>. For more information, please call 877/785-2237 or email homeupgrade@theenergynetwork.com

The City has been working hand-in-hand with The Energy Network, a non-profit providing rebates and incentives for energy efficiency retrofits through its Home Upgrade program throughout Los Angeles County.

The Home Upgrade campaign will run through November 2015, and will include homeowner outreach and information in events, news outlets, and social media throughout the city. Home Upgrade provides an outlet for homeowners to make innovative energy efficiency retrofits to their homes while still remaining affordable. Home Upgrade, like other facets of The Energy Network's work with homeowners, businesses, and public agencies can be an integral complement to existing local initiatives so that environmental goals are reached sooner.

"This co-sponsorship with The Energy Network supported by state-sponsored rebates and incentives through Energy Upgrade California will not only make our homes more efficient, comfortable, and valuable, but will also help us reach our energy use reduction goals," said Palmdale Mayor Jim Ledford.

For more information, please contact Codi Leitner at 949/450-7154 or by email at cleitner@ecomotion.us.

About Home Upgrade:

Supported through statewide energy efficiency funds, Home Upgrade rebates and incentives can help homeowners take the next step toward more comfortable, healthy living. It includes two levels of rebates: 1) Home Upgrade offers up to \$3,000 in rebates and incentives for pursuing three or more energy efficiency upgrade from a menu of options and 2) Advance Home Upgrade offers rebates and incentives for pursuing a comprehensive, customized energy efficiency upgrade (Contact your local utility for more information.) The Energy Network's Home Upgrade applies to

homeowners of single-family homes in Los Angeles County who are customers of both Southern California Edison and Southern California Gas Company.

About The Energy Network:

The Energy Network was authorized by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) in 2012 to harness the collective power of residents, businesses, and the public sector to achieve an unprecedented level of energy savings across Southern California. As part of its mission, The Energy Network provides resources and assistance to homeowners who are planning residential energy efficiency upgrades. We do this by providing information and money-saving resources in collaboration with local agencies, governments and stakeholders. Services include rebate and incentive offerings for qualifying energy efficiency upgrades, attractive financing terms for eligible residential solar and energy saving improvements, tools to help identify contractors with energy efficiency training, and other resources that help homeowners take the next step toward saving energy.

For more information, email lahelpdesk@energyupgradeca.org or call (877) 785-2237.

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