

CRC Organizes Tour of Sustainable Homes

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CRC Organizes Tour of Sustainable Homes Tickets Now Available Online for Redesigned Tour of Sustainable Homes

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BOULDER — To help area residents learn more about how they can incorporate sustainability into their daily lives, the Center for ReSource Conservation (CRC) is organizing its “Tour of Sustainable Homes.” Last week, the CRC convened a 12-member committee that included local non-profit, government, transportation, real estate, architecture, green building, and contracting representatives to select the homes that will be on the Tour.

“This year and for years to come we’ll be broadening the concept of the tour in response to an increasing interest among area residents to see a wider variety of sustainable practices, products and services.” said Keith Frausto, CRC’s Executive Director.

Set for Sunday October 2nd, the Tour of Sustainable Homes will give area residents an opportunity to visit local homes that showcase a variety of practical ways that they can bring sustainability into their lives, involving anything from energy and water conservation, waste reduction, and green transportation, to local agricultural practices.

“We have worked with local government, other nonprofits, and local businesses to develop a tour experience that’s a crash course on what households can do to conserve resources, save money, and improve their quality of life in our community,” said Brad Queen, CRC’s Energy Division Director.

Formerly known as the Solar and Green Homes Tour, CRC’s popular tour has evolved in the last few years to reflect changes in the community as well as developments in environmental conservation.

“Rather than just highlighting homes that conserve energy, we’ve moved to include homes with other conservation features, like chicken coops, Xeriscape gardens, and proximity to bike paths and bus stops,” Queen added. One of the homes on the tour, originally constructed in 1880, has been recently remodeled to include “green” technologies such as passive solar design and ground source water preheat and space heating and cooling systems.

Other homes feature rainwater harvesting gardens, unique combinations of LED and natural lighting methods, and high performance windows and doors.

To purchase tickets and find out more about the Tour of Sustainable Homes, go [HERE](#), or the tour's Facebook events page at www.facebook.com/home.php#!/event.php?eid=189612224425341.

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