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Utility Bills Too High?

As part of its ongoing outreach series, the Lyons Sustainable Future Commission is hosting a workshop to educate the community on improving the comfort

and energy efficiency of their homes and to introduce programs and funding sources to help them get started. Mark your calendar for the Residential Energy Efficiency Workshop, being held at the Walt Self Center on Tuesday, March 8, from 7 to 8:30 p.m., featuring speakers from The Center for Resource Conservation, Boulder County's EnergySmart Service and Xcel Energy.

Home Energy 101

Brad Queen, Energy Division Director, Center for Resource Conservation

Through the principles of building science, Home Energy 101 helps homeowners understand their energy use, the first crucial step in decreasing energy bills and carbon footprint. Armed with this knowledge, attendees will be ready to take advantage of Boulder County's new residential energy efficiency service,

EnergySmart.

EnergySmart Services

David Hatchimonji, Boulder County Residential Services Specialist

The EnergySmart residential service is available to all Boulder County residents who are interested in improving the energy efficiency and comfort of their homes. Using funding acquired through Federal stimulus dollars, this service is designed to be a one-stop shop that will take the customer from a home energy assessment through the implementation of major energy and money saving upgrades. Key to this service is the Energy Advisor whose role is to provide unbiased support and assistance throughout the process, including: interpreting the home energy assessment report, identifying and applying for applicable rebates/incentives, help preparing bids for work, and providing a list of approved contractors to choose from.

Xcel Energy, Responsible By Nature Energy Efficiency Programs

Paul Kriescher, Principal, Lightly Treading

Jackie Ducharme, Xcel Energy Associate Product Portfolio Manager

Xcel Energy offers a number of ways for families and businesses to improve the energy efficiency of where they live and work. Low cost energy audits, rebates to offset the expense of upgrading the efficiency of the building, Home Performance with Energy Star, information on effectively managing one's Xcel account, and more, will all be covered.

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