



Save energy...
and money too!



CITY OF PALO ALTO
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Get a **FREE** Home Energy Audit!

The energy we use at home accounts for about 21% of the U.S. global warming pollution.
That means smart choices at home can really make a difference!

Green your home: Start with a HouseCall

During a HouseCall, trained volunteers will visit your home, performing simple energy-saving upgrades and showing you how to reduce your energy usage.

- Give you 3 free compact fluorescent light bulbs
- Install a monitor to give you constant information on how much energy you are using and what it costs you
- Install a retractable clothesline (if desired)
- Adjust water heater and refrigerator temperatures
- Install low-flow showerhead and faucet aerators
- Provide a folder of local green resources
- **Create a customized energy-saving plan for YOUR home!**

Schedule a HouseCall

Green@Home is offering HouseCalls in Palo Alto beginning January 2009.

The Green@Home program is a **FREE** service offered by Acterra, in partnership with the City of Palo Alto.

To schedule a convenient 2 ½ hour appointment, visit

www.acterra.org/greenathome

and click on "Request a Free HouseCall." It's fast and easy!

Otherwise, please call
(650) 962-9876 ext. 350



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Greening your Palo Alto home:

Save Energy and Money



- **Green@Home free energy audit** – Non-profit program offered in partnership with the City of Palo Alto Utilities: www.acterra.org/greenathome
- **Renewable energy systems** – Research photovoltaic and solar hot water: www.findsolar.org
- **US EPA Energy Star** – US government program recommending energy efficient appliances, electronics and practices: www.energystar.gov
- **Flex Your Power** – California's statewide energy efficiency outreach campaign: www.fypower.org
- **Commercial home energy audits and diagnostics**
 - **Sustainable Spaces:** www.sustainablespaces.com
 - **Emerson Environmental:** www.emersonenvironmental.com
 - **Visual Cue Thermal Imaging** by Lorna Fear: www.lornafear.com

City of Palo Alto Utilities — City-wide energy saving programs

- **City of Palo Alto Utilities** – Website with information on rebates and saving energy at home: www.cityofpaloalto.org/smartenergy or call (650) 329-2241
- **Online Energy Analyzer:** www.cityofpaloalto.org/energyaudit
- **Solar Electric Systems (PV):** www.cityofpaloalto.org/PVPartners
- **Solar Water Heating Systems:** www.cityofpaloalto.org/SWH
- **Palo Alto Green Program** – The affordable way to support 100% clean wind and solar power: www.cityofpaloalto.org/pagreen

Save Water, Save Energy



- **City of Palo Alto Water Programs** – Reduce how much water you use, increase your energy savings and get rebates on water-saving devices at: www.cityofpaloalto.org/resiwater

For more local resources to help green your home and other parts of your life, go to www.acterra.org

City of Palo Alto — Environmental Resources



- **Environment in Palo Alto** – Comprehensive website for all things green in the City of Palo Alto: www.cityofpaloalto.org/environment

Recycle Stuff You Don't Need



- **Center for Development of Recycling** – Santa Clara County hotline with local organizations that recycle and reuse: www.recyclestuff.org Hotline: (408) 924-5453, Toll free: 1 (800) 533-8414, Spanish/Vietnamese: (408) 924-5359
- **City of Palo Alto's Zero Waste Program** – Provides extensive programs for reducing, reusing and recycling waste: www.cityofpaloalto.org/depts/pwd/recycle
- **Hazardous Waste Recycle** – Be safe. Recycle household cleaners, chemicals, batteries, etc: www.cityofpaloalto.org/depts/pwd/waste_program.asp
- **Home Composting** – Recycle your kitchen & garden waste: www.cityofpaloalto.org/environment/news/details.asp?NewsID=367&TargetID=63
- **Freecycle** – Sign up and post things to give away (or post your needs) to people in your own town: www.freecycle.org
- **Green Citizen** – Safely recycle old TVs and used electronics: www.greencitizen.com

Green Ways to Get There



- **Online trip planner** – Find a route and schedule with public transit or carpool matching: www.511.org or call 511
- **Bike route maps** – SV Bicycle Coalition: www.bikesiliconvalley.org/resources/maps



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