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**Request for Coverage**

WHAT: Solar Tour 2011: Neighbors Helping Neighbors Go Solar

WHO: Solar San Antonio is offering free open-house tours of 39 solar powered homes and businesses.

WHEN: This Saturday, October 1st from 10am - 3pm

WHERE: 39 locations throughout San Antonio. Tour map and guide is available at:
www.solartoursa.com

MORE: This free event is self-guided and allows attendees to meet local installers one-on-one, ask property owners about their solar experience, and learn how they can go solar, too!

All sites will have one or more of the following solar installations: solar electric, solar water heating, solar attic fans, solar skylights, composting, and rainwater collection. The property owner and solar installer for each location will be onsite for questions and advice.

Tour attendees will may also collect information about solar rebates from CPS Energy, federal tax credits, cash grants (for commercial properties), and available solar financing programs from local financial institutions.

“We have been to a couple of the Solar SA home tours. All of the information we gathered helped us with our decision to go solar. We think this is a pretty cool way to educate folks about solar energy and we would like to share our experience.” – Frank & Marge Laureano, Solar Tour site #35

“I believe that there is a lot of interest in solar and would like to help people who want to meet someone that has actually purchased and used a system. Seeing is believing and it helps to communicate the facts about solar when you are standing in front of an actual array of panels.”
– Ron Buescher, Solar Tour site #11

“I’m 86 years young and want the rest of the world to know you are never too old to be doing the right thing. Adding solar energy has saved me so much money.” - Leroy Hassler, Solar Tour site #16

The 2011 Solar Tour includes several new additions, including a website (www.solartoursa.com) and a “Solar Tour Fun Bus” that will shuttle guests to tour locations and provide a day full of fun, learning, and give-aways.

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About Solar San Antonio

Solar San Antonio is a non-profit 501(c)(3) advocacy and resource center for renewable and sustainable energy applications. Utilizing community education and outreach, we strive to decrease energy costs and improve the quality of life in San Antonio and South Texas. We actively encourage the widespread use of solar and other renewable and sustainable energy sources informing the community about benefits to the regional economy, environment and human health, as well as supporting public policies that advance this possibility. www.solarsanantonio.org



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