# GET UP TO \$4,000 IN INCENTIVES FOR MAKING HOME ENERGY UPGRADES

Join many of your fellow San Diegans who are earning up to \$4,000 in incentives for making qualified energy upgrades to their homes! These upgrades will improve your home's energy efficiency and lower your energy bills for many years to come. If you own an existing singlefamily detached home, there are two ways you can participate in Energy Upgrade California™:

#### You may receive a \$1,000 incentive if you have an eligible contractor complete all six of the following items:

- · Seal attic air leaks
- Install attic insulation
- · Seal leaky air ducts for central heating and air conditioning system

- Insulate hot-water pipes
- · Test natural gas appliances for correct venting and certify combustion safety
- · Install a thermostatic shut-off valve on shower to save hot water

You may receive incentives ranging from \$1,250 for 10% energy savings to \$4,000 for 40% energy savings when an eligible contractor installs a comprehensive mix of measures based on a pre-approved work plan. A certified Home Energy Efficiency Rater must evaluate the overall energy savings that would be achieved based on the combination of measures installed. Examples of eligible measures include high-efficiency heating and cooling systems, energy-efficient windows and skylights, and tankless or solar

water-heating systems. To learn more, visit sdge.com/energyupgradecalifornia. Before contacting participating contractors, you'll also need to take a few minutes to complete SDG&E's Home Energy Efficiency Survey, which is available online at sdge. com/homeanalysis or by calling 1-800-644-

## UNCOVER PHANTOM ENERGY USE TO SAVE ON ENERGY BILLS

While your air conditioner, refrigerator, pool and spa are among your biggest energy users, 'standby' power can also account for a big part of your monthly energy bill.

Standby power - also known as phantom energy use - refers to items you've got plugged in at home that continue to draw energy when they're off or in sleep mode. These 'energy vampires' include things like televisions, computer equipment, entertainment systems, coffee makers and microwaves. Some items - like vour cell phone charger - continue to use energy even after they're fully charged!

An easy way to spot phantom energy use is to turn off your lights and look around your house. If an appliance has a red or green glowing light or a digital clock (like on your microwave or DVR), it's probably using standby power. And depending on how many

of these items you have, the energy costs can really add up.

One way to save is to invest in a smart strip. There are several different models. Some are designed to sense when a main device - like a computer - is turned off. The strip then automatically turns off other peripheral devices like printers and fax machines. Other smart strips have plugs that operate independently - keeping some equipment on and turning other items off when not in use. There are also such nifty gadgets as energy use monitors, motion sensors and timers to help you manage your energy use.

A great way to find out how your  $home is using \, energy \, is \, to \, take \, SDG\&E's$ online Home Energy Efficiency Survey. It's free and only takes about 25 minutes to complete. Once you're done, you'll get a report on where you're using energy as well as customized ways you can save.

Another way to monitor your energy use is with SDG&E's new Energy **Charts tool. With Energy Charts** 

you can:

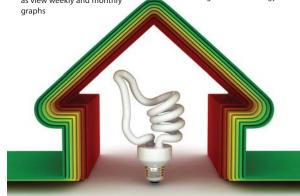
· View graphs of your hourly electric interval data by the day as well as view weekly and monthly graphs

· View energy use in relation to outside temperature data

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· Compare your energy use from one period to another

For more tips on ways to save, visit www.sdge.com/saveenergy.





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