

## 12th Annual Tucson Innovative & Solar Home Tour and Next Generation Home Course

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November 3 (Saturday) - New Ways for Better Living in the Desert - the 12th Annual Tucson Innovative Home Tour, Tucson Solar Tour, and Next Generation Home Course. Sustainability in action!

\* Self-guided tour of homes, eco- and co-housing communities, and solar installations. New advances for better homes and better living, with an emphasis on fitting in with the natural environment. Choose among over 15 exceptional, award-winning and nationally recognized homes, speak with owners, designers and builders, and discover new ways to make your home much better and cost a lot less in this special non-profit, non-commercial community sharing of the latest advances.

\* Plus the Next Generation Home Course. Tucson's officially recognized Next Generation Home Program presents the best unbiased, non-commercial information, advice & ideas from local experts for improving your home, remodeling, building or buying the solar, ecological and homeowner-friendly home you've always wanted – a comprehensive, factual, information-packed class to help you get what you want in a home and greatly reduce your costs of home ownership, with the emphasis on practicality and cost savings.

\* The course will be from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Registration will start at 8:00. Those taking the course can get their tour tickets at the same time, and for a discount.

\* The tour will follow the course, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For those not attending the course, tickets for the tour will be available at the same location, from 10:00 to noon.

For both, come to Pima Community College's Campus Center Auditorium, 1255 N. Stone Ave., just north of Speedway. Lots of free parking in front. Just go in the main entrance and follow the signs.

\* The course is \$10 individual or family. You can bring a friend for \$5. The tour is also \$10 individual or family - bring a friend for \$5. You can take the both course and tour for \$15. We can accept only cash, so please bring the exact amount in cash and things will go smoother for you - and for everyone else.

\* You won't need the tour guide ahead of time. You can get all the information, view the selection of homes on the tour and plan your day just by visiting our web site at [www.solarinstitute.org](http://www.solarinstitute.org) the week before the tour. There is also special information for those coming from out of town. Please understand that the web site won't have complete details until just before the tour. Any updates will also be available on our hotline recording at 520-792-6579, where you can also leave a message.

\* These events are an annual public service of the Solar Institute in cooperation with a community partnership of non-profit organizations, including the American Institute of Architects, Association of Energy Engineers, Tucson Homeowners Alliance, Tucson Solar Alliance, Neighborhood Coalition of Greater Tucson, Tucson Commission on Disability Issues, Arizona Solar Energy Association, University of Arizona, Pima Community College, City of Tucson, Pima County, State of Arizona, American Solar Energy Society and U.S. Department of Energy.