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## **FREE Green Building Expo!**

South Bay Environmental Services Center (SBESC) provides critical energy and water saving information to businesses, residents, municipal governments, school districts and other special agencies. Through its partnership with Los Angeles County, Southern California Edison and The Gas Company, SBESC has the following important bulletin:

**SOUTH BAY** – On Friday and Saturday, May 6 & 7, from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm, the “8<sup>th</sup> Annual AltBuild Expo” will be held at the Santa Monica Civic Auditorium. The Expo—the largest and most-respected green design and building expo in Southern California for both professionals and public—will feature more than 40 speakers in all sustainable and alternative building practices. It is considered to be one of the most established and vital green-building events in the country. It is free and is not to be missed! For more information visit [www.altbuildexpo.com](http://www.altbuildexpo.com).

**Energy Upgrade California in Los Angeles County** will be at the AltBuild Expo. Visit Booth 37 to learn about consumer rebates and incentives of up to \$4,500 for home energy improvements. Then head on over to Booth 36 for information about the value and benefits of **green labeling for homes**. After that, hang out in the **Green Jobs Lounge** where you'll find resources for on-the-job-training and job placement—contractors, you'll find your trained workforce here!

Are you interested in becoming a Participating Contractor in the Energy Upgrade California incentive program? Attend a free participation workshop, Part of Track II, at AltBuild on Friday, May 6 11:30 am–1:00 pm, West Lobby: “**Advanced Retrofit Program: Overview for Performance Contractors.**”

Attention Real Estate Professionals and Contractors: Attend the Track II Panel Session, “Selling Green Homes in Today’s Real Estate Market,” 1:15-2:30 pm on May 6<sup>th</sup>.

And, finally, join us on Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm, for a free contractor and real estate industry professionals networking event—with refreshments. You'll emerge ready to energize your business!

Energy Upgrade California is an unprecedented alliance among LA County, Southern California Edison and Southern California Gas Company. For more information, visit [EnergyUpgradeCA.org/LACounty](http://EnergyUpgradeCA.org/LACounty) and choose *Find a Contractor*.

The South Bay Environmental Services Center (SBESC) is the LA County Energy Upgrade California Call Center. If you have any questions, please call SBESC, 310-371-7222. For more information about local events, programs and workshops please go to: [www.sbesc.com](http://www.sbesc.com).

## SBESC

The SBESC is the South Bay's local clearinghouse for energy and water efficiency training, materials and other environmental information. SBESC works closely with the sixteen South Bay cities and County Unincorporated Areas of the South Bay on the implementation of energy and water saving projects that reduce greenhouse gases as well as costs. SBESC provides resources and tools to assist residents, businesses, and public agencies in better understanding the potential for energy and water efficiency within their homes and businesses. The Center hosts a wide variety of seminars, training sessions, and participates in many community events to assist consumers in making the best decision regarding energy and water use. The SBESC is operated by the South Bay Cities Council of Governments (SBCCOG) which partners with The Gas Company<sup>SM</sup>, Southern California Edison, West Basin Municipal Water District, City of Torrance Water Department, Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, and County of Los Angeles. Visit [www.sbesc.com](http://www.sbesc.com) for the latest activities, schedules and opportunities to participate in a greener South Bay.

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