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Don't wait to insulate; rebates available to qualifying residents *Arapahoe County receives \$5,000 matching grant to Insulate Colorado*

Littleton, Colo. --- Non-Xcel Energy customers living in Arapahoe County could be eligible for a cash rebate for insulating their homes.

Arapahoe County has received a \$5,000 matching grant from the Governor's Energy Office to begin the 2009 Insulate Colorado Program. The program provides a rebate of 20 percent of the total cost, up to \$300, to non-Xcel Energy customers living in Arapahoe County who do attic or wall insulation or air sealing measures to their home February - December 2009.

"Arapahoe County is committed to promoting energy efficiency with our residents," said Arapahoe County Commissioner Jim Dyer. "This grant will allow us to help homeowners alleviate some of the financial impact of insulating their homes by helping them save on their monthly heating and cooling costs."

Rebates are allocated on a first come, first serve basis until the money runs out, and the County anticipates delivering rebates to an estimated 30 to 40 homeowners. Most of Arapahoe County's urban area is served by Xcel Energy, which is conducting a separate rebate program; this grant will most likely serve residents living in rural Arapahoe County.

"This program is a win-win for everyone," added Arapahoe County Commissioner Rod Bockenfeld. "By providing rebates for insulation measures, energy consumption will be reduced, while simultaneously lowering the homeowner's utility bills and putting a little cash back in their pocket."

To find out if you qualify for the rebate, call Arapahoe County Weatherization at (303) 636-1982. For a list of eligible insulation contractors and program guidelines, visit: www.colorado.gov/energy/residential/existing-insulate-co.asp.

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