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October 1 – 2, 2011: Metro Washington, D.C. Tour of Solar Homes & Buildings

The 21st annual Metro Washington, D.C. Tour of Solar Homes & Buildings will be held on October 1st and 2nd from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Over fifty-five energy-efficient homes and buildings will highlight a variety of solar and passive design, technology and sustainable living concepts, including photovoltaic and solar hot water systems, radiant heat, energy-efficient appliances, and energy-saving building construction techniques.

Additional homes can be viewed on our Sister Solar Tour. The 2nd Annual Western Maryland Tour of Solar & Green Homes features close to thirty green homes and buildings from Frederick and Washington Counties and West Virginia. The tour includes a variety of renewable energy improved buildings and properties, as well as residential solar homes featuring many energy efficient improvements. Also, a self-guided bike tour is planned for some homes on the tour.

Details are available on the solar tour website (<http://www.solartour.org>). The D.C. and Western Maryland Tour Guides can be downloaded for free. In addition, the D.C. Tour Guide can be purchased for a tax-deductible \$5 fee from local participating outlets. The Western Maryland Tour Guide can be purchased for a tax-deductible \$2 fee from participating outlets in Western Maryland. The Tour Guide is both a map and “passport” for admission to the sites and contains directions to each home.

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