Hello STEP-UP participants -

Thank you to the 58 STEP-UP participants who have completed their home energy efficiency improvements, to the 51 STEP-UP participants who have completed their energy audit but have not yet begun their improvements, and to the 56 participants who are signed up to STEP-UP and are in the process of arranging their energy audit. Together, you are leading the UP community towards lower energy use, lower energy bills and greater home comfort.

STEP-UP would like to offer \$100 to each of 5 participating STEP-UP households to host a "STEPping-UP House Party". The goal of the house party is to help participants and other UP neighbors better understand what's involved in an energy audit as well as each step of the STEP-UP process. The \$100 is a small "thank you" for hosting the house party, and may be used to cover the cost of your energy audit or your energy efficiency improvements, depending on where you are in the STEP-UP process.

What happens at a STEPping-UP House Party?

STEP-UP representatives will make a presentation about STEP-UP in your home. The presentation will explain and demonstrate the energy audit process, as well as answer questions about STEP-UP, audits, improvements, incentives and other related topics.

What's involved in hosting a STEPping-UP House Party?

Approximately 8 – 12 of your neighbors will attend the party at your home. STEP-UP will handle all logistics, will coordinate with you and attendees, and provide all refreshments. The party will take place on a weekday evening or a weekend day in late September or early October. We anticipate the party will run about 1 1/2 to 2 hours.

How do I become a STEP-ping UP House Party host?

Just let me know (by replying to this email) that you are interested in serving as a house party host. **Responses must be received no later than Tue September 30 to be considered.** If more than 5 households volunteer, we will draw 5 names by lottery.

Please pass this message on to any other UP households who may be interested in participating in STEP-UP but haven't yet signed up. And, if you (or they) have any questions, please let me know!

Best, Suzanne

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