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## **HOW TO MAKE SOLAR THERMAL WORK FOR YOU**

### **-- TOPIC OF DECEMBER 8<sup>th</sup> WORKSHOP**

**PARK CITY, UTAH** – Recycle Utah is urging 100 home and business owners to “Take the Solar Thermal Challenge” and install solar hot water heating systems this summer.

To help the community meet the challenge, Recycle Utah will present a “how to” workshop on Solar Hot Water Heating on Wednesday, December 9th from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at Jack Johnson Company, 1777 Sunpeak Drive. Call Recycle Utah at 649-9698 to register for this free lecture.

Jordan Gates, the solar thermal specialist with the Harris-Dudley Company, will provide attendees a basic understanding on a variety of solar thermal technologies, site analysis, costs, and the substantial tax credits and rebates available to home and business owners interested in taking advantage of Utah’s vast solar resource.

“With more than 300 sunny days a year Park City is perfect for solar thermal renewable energy,” said Jordan Gates, “and with the recent increase of

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the federal tax credit there has never been a better time to invest in residential renewable energy.”

Solar hot water systems have two main parts -- a solar collector and a storage tank. A pump or gravity system moves the heated fluid between the collector and the storage tank. The heated water is used for culinary purposes, showers, laundry, and floor heating.

Recycle Utah’s “Fast Track” information is available on our website [www.recycleutah.org](http://www.recycleutah.org), including applications from the Park City Building Dept. and a loan application from Frontier Bank.

“Solar thermal installations are eligible for rebates and tax credits, and the fast track applications contain information about how to make a high-value investment at a fraction of the cost,” Riepen said.

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