What is the Energy Commission’s Role in Energy Upgrade California?

• Administrator of ARRA/SEP funds, as well as the administrator of the Energy Upgrade California program in conjunction with California Public Utilities Commission
• Coordinator of the Energy Upgrade partners and various programs under one umbrella
• Ensure sustainability of Energy Upgrade CA program and web portal by developing a platform for continued infrastructure beyond the ARRA contract cycle

Why is Energy Upgrade California important?

• Unprecedented collaboration between Energy Commission, Public Utilities Commission, local governments, utilities and private sector
• A program where all California building owners can participate - statewide energy and water efficiency and renewable energy generation improvement program for single- and multi-family residential and commercial buildings
• One-stop-shop that consolidates all federal, state, utilities and local government rebates, incentives and financing in one location under one brand
• Help reduce consumer confusion and make it easy for them to take action
• Training programs – Energy Upgrade CA incorporates other ARRA efforts such the Clean Energy Workforce Training Program under the Energy Upgrade program
• Job creation – Energy Upgrade program will assist owners to find a Participating Contractor, which will boost local economies by creating well paying jobs in the construction sector
• Help the state reduce greenhouse gases and reach climate change goals

What is the critical role that local governments play from the Energy Commission’s perspective?

• Front line – provide critical program input from the field - what’s working, what’s not
• Publicize the program – enhance county pages
• Partner with others in your community – collaborate and leverage resources from marketing and outreach, workforce development efforts and contractor support

**Opportunities for local governments to provide input**

• Energy Upgrade California Organizational Management Structure – Steering Committee and Coordinating Group participation