

Legend Homes/Princeton Classic Homes & Environments for Living

Legend Homes/Princeton Classic Homes have partnered with Environments for Living to ring in the New Year for 2012. This partnership will provide Legend Homes/Princeton Classic Home buyers peace of mind, knowing that they are purchasing a home that is energy efficient and environmentally friendly. An Environment for Living energy efficient home does more than just help the environment; it can increase your home's comfort and durability. It can help save you money through energy-saving features that can add up over time. This nationally recognized program provides a rigorous set of requirements for home builders who've made a commitment to go the extra mile for energy efficiency and home owner comfort. Legend Homes/Princeton Classic Homes will begin this process in January 2012, which will allow each home built to be Environments for Living certified.

What is Environments for Living?

Environments for Living is a nationwide program backed by Masco Home Services that takes a systems approach to home construction incorporating the principles of building science. The program evaluates all elements of the home before construction begins in order to plan for maximum comfort and energy efficiency. During construction independent inspectors verify the home is being built correctly. Finally, before the home owner moves in, the home is tested to make sure it performs as planned.

Benefits of owning Environments for Living certified home?

The Environments For Living program provides a rigorous set of requirements for home builders who've made a commitment to go the extra mile when building each home. The Environments for Living program requires that your builder provide additional features and techniques in each home built. The Environments for Living program takes a building science approach, which treats the home as a "system of systems" each working together cohesively. It backs this science with limited guarantees* on comfort and heating/cooling energy use.

Here are a few tips ways to SAVE on Energy.

- Check air conditioner filters to see that they are cleaned or replaced according to manufacturers' specifications.
- Lighten the dryer load by using a drying rack for delicate or lightweight fabrics, such as synthetics, wool, silk and blends.
- About 90% of the energy used for washing clothes is for heating the water – switching your temperature setting from hot to warm can cut a load's energy use in half (<http://www1.eere.energy.gov/consumer/tips/m/laundry.html>).
- Unplug chargers for cell phones, PDAs, digital cameras, cordless tools and other personal gadgets when you're not actively charging them.

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