

Stormwater Management

Planting this Summer?

Build a
Rain Garden!



What is
a Rain
Garden?

Landscaped area designed to capture runoff and reduce polluted runoff using natural filtration processes. Rain gardens add color and provide habitat for various types of wildlife.

Why are they important?

During a rain event, water that comes off rooftops, lawns, and driveways drain into the stormsewer system. This eventually ends up in a nearby river, lake or stream. The runoff can pick up pesticides, fertilizers, pet waste and other pollutants causing harm to our water bodies. Rain gardens help prevent pollution from reaching our water bodies by temporarily storing runoff and allowing the water to infiltrate into the ground. Pollutants are filtered out naturally by the compost, soil and plant roots.

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