

Reinvest in the Environment



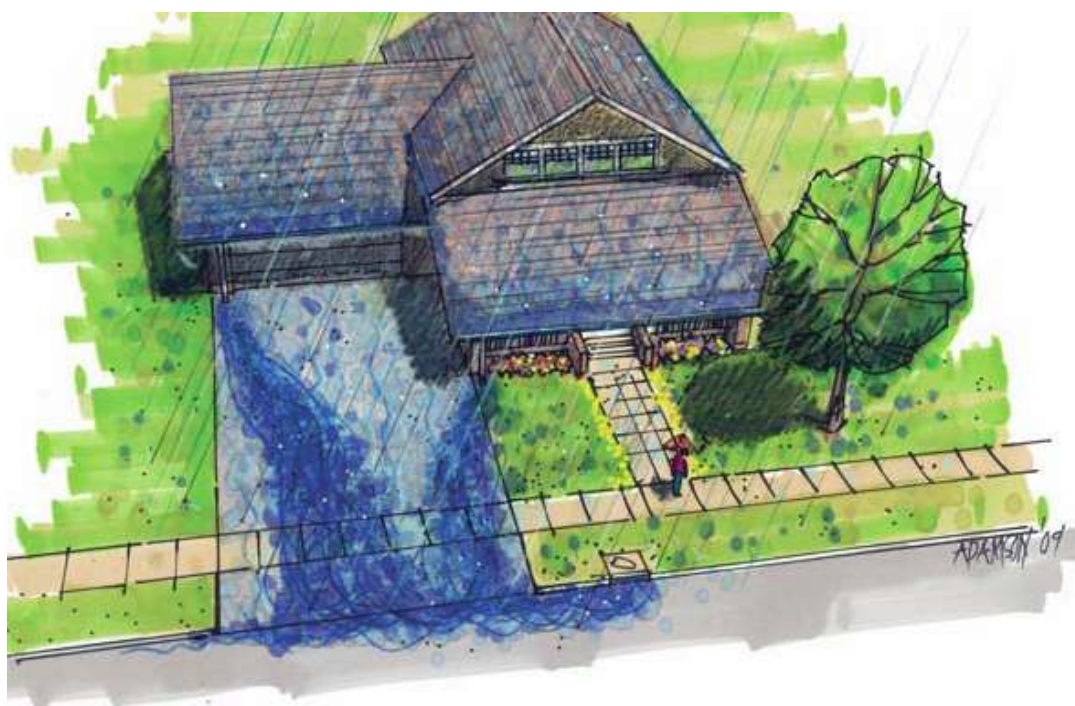
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Conservation District

“Capture the Rain”

with Upcycled Rain Barrels

Rainwater directed off our properties pick up pollutants as it flows into streams. Harvesting rainwater reduces storm water runoff and is a cost efficient alternative to irrigate our landscape.

A simple way to start collecting rain water is to install a rain barrel. Rain barrels can be connected directly to the downspouts. When the barrels become full the water can be automatically diverted back to the downspout or can be connected to additional barrels for larger storage capacity.



The word “upcycling” was coined by William McDonough and Michael Braugart in their volume on ecologically intellectual design. *Cradle to Cradle: Remaking the Way We Make Things*. It is an act of reinvesting in the environment.

In the simplest terms, upcycling is the practice of taking something that is throwaway and repurposing it into something of greater utilization and intrinsic worth in its second life, which is what Upcycle Products does with their rain barrels and accessories.

Upcycle barrels were once food containers shipped in from countries around the globe. Once the food manufacturers emptied out the food, the barrels were scrap to them and usually ended up in landfills. Recycling the plastic barrels actually costs the food company more than sending it to the landfill. Now the barrels are picked up from the food manufactures and “upcycled” into their second life as a rain barrel.

Upcycle pedestals are made from upcycled fencing and our diverters are made from upcycled vinyl fence post covers.

Most items are available at the office. Call prior to coming to make sure we have what you want on hand. 515-993-3413 ext. 101

Price	Description
\$ 68.00	55 gal. rain barrel with spigot, linking & overflow fittings  (colors: blue, gray, terra-cotta, black)
\$ 25.00	Automatic water diverter (two sizes for downspouts: 3"x4" or 2"x3") After the barrel is full water is automatically diverted Back down the original downspout. 
\$ 22.00	Wooden pedestal riser. Lifts barrel up 12" to make it easier to get a watering can under the spigot and a little more pressure to flow out hose. 
\$ 14.00	Flex Elbow for 3"x4" downspout Can be used to direct the water directly from the downspout to the top of the barrel. Flexible enough to reach around a corner, if you want the barrel hidden. 
\$ 8.00	Flex Elbow for 2"x3" downspout To be used same as the 3x4" elbow except on a smaller diameter downspout. 
\$ 10.00	Linking hose To connect more than one barrel together for greater storage capacity 
<i>Prices do not include 6% sale tax</i>	

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