



Free Rain Barrel Workshops

Learn how to harvest the rain and protect our Schuylkill Watershed too!

Reading Area Community College, The City of Reading Environmental Advisory Council, Berks County Conservation District, and Reading Area Water Authority are sponsoring free rain barrel workshops this spring.

When: Saturday, April 11th, May 16th, or June 6th 9:00-11:30 AM

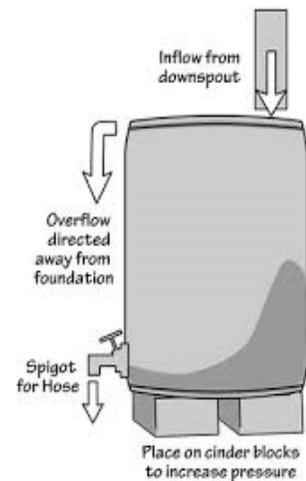
Where: Reading Area Community College, 15 S. Front Street, Reading PA

Learn how to control polluted runoff, protect our waterways and harvest a valuable resource – the rain! The one-day workshops will also cover the construction and proper installation of your rain barrel.

Why a Rain Barrel?

Rain barrels collect and store rainwater from downspouts. The water harvested can be used for watering lawns and gardens or washing cars. By diverting rainwater from our storm sewers, they reduce stormwater runoff, litter, and pollutants that can enter our river. By using the harvested rainwater in your backyard, more of it can seep into the ground and return to the water cycle.

This is a **free** informational workshop. However, participants will have the opportunity to assemble their own rain barrel to take home for a fee of \$35.00. Cash or check. **NO CREDIT CARDS.** A limited number of rain barrel kits will be available at each workshop. When registering, please indicate if you wish to assemble your own rain barrel. Completed rain barrels must be removed on the day of the workshop. We cannot store rain barrels for later pick-up.



For reservations, call Shelly Katzenmoyer, Deputy City Clerk, City of Reading, 610-655-6204 or email michelle.katzenmoyer@readingpa.org. RSVP - 1 week prior to workshop date to guarantee placement.

Location Info: The Schmidt Training and Technology Center is located at 15 N. Front Street, Reading, PA, Free parking is available at the parking garage adjacent to the STTC. The May 16th workshop will be held at the Student Union Building just south of the Penn Street Bridge on Front Street.

