



EcoNugget

Get free water! Use a rain barrel.

How:

- Divert one or more of your home's downspouts to a rain barrel.

Why:

- Save money by using rainwater for watering the garden, filling bird baths and outdoor cleaning tasks.
- Have healthier plants. Rainwater is naturally soft and chemical free.
- Reduce the amount of stormwater runoff so less pollution reaches creeks and rivers.
- Let the water soak into the ground eventually replenishing the water table.
- Help your municipality reduce energy costs associated with pumping and treating water.

Tips:

- Install your rain barrel at a height that allows you to fill a watering can.
- Make sure the overflow hose empties away from the foundation of the house.
- Empty your rain barrel prior to freezing temperatures.

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