

HARVESTING RAINWATER

Catching and Channeling the Rain



Roofs Collect Rainwater!

Gutters and downspouts can channel this rainwater away from buildings and into storage containers.



Rain Chains Direct Rainwater!

Channel water into landscape. Check them out at the pavilion behind McDonalds!



Swales Slow The Flow!

Swales and dry creek beds are flat-bottomed shallow draining features, they allow the water to be absorbed into the soil.



Rain Barrels Save Rainwater!

Rainwater storage tanks/barrels collect and store rainwater for those dry summer days.

RAINFALL IN OHIO



CATCH, DIVERT, & CONTAIN

The average rainfall annually for Ohio is 37.50 inches! Given that some of this comes from snowfall, precipitation still happens in the Spring and Fall. Managing rainfall helps to prevent flooding, minimize erosion, and keeps waterways clear.

Here in the People's Garden we use the collected water in our rain barrels to water our beautiful garden all growing season long!

- Just an inch of rainwater falling on a 1000 square foot roof will yield 600 gallons.
- Increasing the amount of water that filters into the ground helps recharge the natural groundwater.
- Capturing rainwater on your property protects local streams and rivers from pollutants including, fertilizers, car fluids, and pesticides.