

Rain Garden Grant Opportunity

Rain gardens are a great way to reduce runoff pollution and increase infiltration. What is a rain garden? It is a sunken garden that receives runoff from your roof or yard. The garden captures rain water and with the aid of native plants, infiltrates the water into the ground.

Through the Graham-Martin Foundation, Waukesha County is able to offer homeowners the opportunity to receive rain garden plants at ½ the retail cost. These native prairie plants are grown by Agrecol and normally sell for \$3.60 for a 3" potted plant. With this grant, homeowners may purchase plants for \$1.80 per plant—1/2 the normal price.

For more information on how to plan and install a rain garden visit www.waukeshacounty.gov/cleanwater and click on the rain gardens under quick Links to find plant lists and order forms. To qualify for the grant, simply plan on installing a rain garden and place your rain garden plant order with Waukesha County by January 31, 2009.

