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Rain Barrel Workshop To Be Held in Rockledge

ROCKLEDGE, Fla. -- Residents who are interested in putting rainwater to use in their landscapes and gardens, rather than watching it run down streets and driveways, washing pollutants into water bodies, will have the opportunity to create their own rain barrels at a workshop sponsored by Brevard County Natural Resources Management Office, University of Central Florida Stormwater Academy, University of Florida Cooperative Extension and Community Matters, Inc.

The workshop will be held Saturday, August 21 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Rockledge Gardens Nursery, 2153 U. S. Highway 1 in Rockledge.

This fun, informative workshop will allow participants to learn about the benefits of collecting rain while enjoying hands-on construction of 55-gallon rain barrels. The rain barrel kit includes the 55-gallon barrel, faucet, flexible downspout extender, leaf filter, and a DVD of instructions for building, installing, and painting the barrel. For open-top barrels, screen and a bungee cord are included in the kit instead of downspout extender and leaf filter.

Cost for the rain barrel kit is \$45, paid by cash or check at the door. Seating is limited. Pre-registration is required to ensure that all materials are available; open-top or closed-top barrel should be specified. To pre-register, call Elizabeth Melvin at 633-2016 ext 56721 or e-mail elizabeth.melvin@brevardcounty.us.

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