



# Waukesha County

## Department of Parks and Land Use

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### **FREE WORKSHOPS TEACH ECO-FRIENDLY METHODS**

(WAUKESHA, WI) – Waukesha County Department of Parks and Land Use - Land Resources staff are offering free public workshops and presentations in April.

**The Value of Rain Gardens and Rain Barrels:** Rain barrels have been used for many generations. Discover how they can actually help restore a more natural water flow while saving you money. Not only will we explore how to install rain barrels, we will learn about rain gardens, too! Rain gardens and rain barrels can be a beautiful solution to water pollution.

**Clean Water, Healthy Lawn Workshop:** Learn how to have a healthy lawn and yard without harming local rivers and streams. This workshop will cover lawn care and watering as well as how to incorporate features like rain barrels and rain gardens into your landscape. Practices covered in this workshop are not only friendly to our local lakes and rivers, but to our pets and children as well.

**Home Composting Workshop:** Learn how to create your own compost, how to use it and different bin styles to build or buy. Hot or cold, you'll create "black gold"!

<b>Workshop/Presentations</b>	<b>Date/Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
Rain Gardens & Rain Barrels Presentation	Monday, April 3 at 6 p.m.	New Berlin Public Library
Clean Water, Healthy Lawn Workshop	Monday, April 10 at 6 p.m.	New Berlin Public Library
Home Composting Workshop	Tuesday, April 11 at 6 p.m.	Oconomowoc Public Library
Rain Gardens & Rain Barrels Presentation	Thursday, April 27 at 6:30 p.m.	Poplar Creek Gardens, New Berlin

Call 262-896-8300, visit [waukeshacounty.gov/recycling](http://waukeshacounty.gov/recycling) or [waukeshacounty.gov/cleanwater](http://waukeshacounty.gov/cleanwater) for more information.

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