



Rain Barrels for Sale!

The Athens-Clarke County Stormwater Management Program is hosting a Winter Rain Barrel sale - just in time for the holidays! Pre-order a barrel for yourself or give the gift of rainwater harvesting to a friend or family member.



Our rain barrel kits are available for purchase for \$25.00/kit. Each kit includes a plastic 55-gallon drum and a DIY RainRecycle kit from the [Rain Barrel Depot](https://www.therainbarreldepot.com/) [https://www.therainbarreldepot.com/]. The kit comes with almost everything you need to install the rain barrel at home, including a FlexiFit down spout diverter.

We have a limited number of kits available and are asking that barrels are limited to one per person with a maximum of two per household. Claimed barrels must be picked up on December 16. After completing the [sale form](https://www.accgov.com/Activities/Activity/Detail/Rain-Barrel-Sale-990) [https://www.accgov.com/Activities/Activity/Detail/Rain-Barrel-Sale-990], you will receive an email from Stormwater Staff with instructions on when and where to pick-up your barrel on the 16th. Pick-ups will be done in a contactless drive-thru style.

Please email cecile.riker@accgov.com with any questions.



[This year's cover photo was taken by Sue Lawrence.](#)

2021 Stormwater Calendars

Our 2021 Stormwater Calendars are back from the printer and we want to get them into YOUR hands! Visit www.accgov.com/stormwatercalendar [http://www.accgov.com/stormwatercalendar] to request a copy for your home, office, or business lobby. Calendars can be picked up in-person from the Department of Transportation and Public Works (120 W. Dougherty Street), or mailed directly to your home.

Nominate a Stormwater Steward

We are now accepting nominations for the 2021 [Stormwater Steward Award](https://www.accgov.com/5312/Stormwater-Steward-Award) [https://www.accgov.com/5312/Stormwater-Steward-Award]. The Stormwater Steward Award recognizes environmental stewardship in the area of stormwater management. Organizations, businesses, individuals, design firms, or community groups that have worked to consider the impact of stormwater runoff on the health of area waters through a specific project, practice, or event are encouraged to apply for the award. Full details and instructions can be found at www.accgov.com/stormwater [http://www.accgov.com/stormwater].

Applications are due on Monday, March 1, and winners will be honored at the annual Green Life Awards in April.



The Stormwater Management Program recognized Armentrout, Matheny, Thurmond P.C. and McLane Company in 2020 for their engineered pocket wetland, pictured above.

Upcoming Events

Bring One for the Chipper Christmas Tree Recycling Saturday, January 9, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Multiple Locations around Athens

Join Keep Athens-Clarke County Beautiful at this year's Christmas Tree-cycling event on Saturday, January 9th from 9am-1:00pm. Give your tree a second life as compost, mulch, or fish habitat by bringing your undecorated tree to one of the six drop-off locations and receive a free tree seedling in return. Christmas tree recycling will also be available before and after the 9th at selected locations or by setting your tree out with your regularly scheduled leaf and limb pick up. To find the drop-off location nearest you, visit www.KeepAthensBeautiful.org [<http://www.KeepAthensBeautiful.org>].


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Notice Dumping?

Call the Stormwater Hotline at 706-614-1282 if you see someone dumping into a storm drain or notice flooding due to clogged drains or pipes.

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