



## Help Soak Up the Rain with a Rain Garden!

When it rains, stormwater runoff carries pollutants such as fertilizers and pesticides directly into the storm drains where it flows untreated to our local creeks and on to the Bay. Help soak up the rain and pollutants with a rain garden!

Rain gardens are shallow, vegetated basins that collect and absorb rainwater from rooftops, driveways, sidewalks and streets. Planted with grasses and flowering perennials, rain gardens can be beautiful, cost effective and filter out pollutants in the runoff from your home before it reaches our local creeks. In addition to recharging groundwater, rain gardens also provide a source of food and habitat for birds, butterflies, and other wildlife.

Help protect the Bay and local creeks by planting a rain garden! For more information, please visit our website at [www.cleancreeks.org](http://www.cleancreeks.org).

**Remember, only rain in the storm drain!**

