

ENVIRONMENTAL TIP #43



DID YOU KNOW that introducing a rain barrel next to your home this summer will help save precious water and help control storm water runoff?

A rain barrel is a system that collects and stores rainwater from your roof that would otherwise be lost to runoff and diverted to storm drains and streams. A rain barrel is relatively simple and inexpensive to construct and can sit conveniently under any residential gutter down spout. You can visit www.corsicariver.com to obtain instructions on constructing a rain barrel.

Rain barrels are a way for homeowners to save money by saving water. Not only can you use the water collected in the rain barrel to water gardens, you will be helping the environment by reducing pollution in the Corsica River and ultimately the Chesapeake Bay.

Rain barrels don't have to be boring; they can be painted and decorated with a theme.

Always remember that what we do on land affects the Corsica River and the Chesapeake Bay – www.corsicariver.com