

# What is a Rain Garden?

Nature's Water Filter: Rain gardens are shallow landscaped depressions that capture, clean and absorb stormwater runoff from roofs, parking lots, and roads.

Runoff is collected from paved and other hard surfaces and directed into the garden.

Native plants do not require fertilizer and help filter pollutants.

Native plants provide food & habitat for birds, butterflies, and other pollinators.

A depression in the earth is filled with a mixture of sand, topsoil, and compost that filters water.

A typical rain garden is between six and nine inches deep.

