



Rain Garden Workshop

Saturday, June 24th, 10 am – 1 pm

**Volunteers needed to help plant a new rain garden at
Franklinville Presbyterian Church
11846 Franklinville Road, Kingsville, MD 21087**

What is a rain garden? A rain garden is a special water loving garden that helps soak up rain water from a roof or driveway. It is designed to capture water from a 1" rain storm and slowly infiltrate it back into the ground. By using beautiful, native flowers, grasses and even trees, a rain garden will beautify your yard while reducing stormwater impacts. It also provides habitat for wildlife and beneficial insects such as ladybugs and pollinators like butterflies.

What will I learn at the workshop?

- What stormwater runoff is and how it affects local waterways
- How to divert rain water draining from hard surfaces to a rain garden
- How to design and construct a rain garden
- How to use native plants to beautify your landscape and benefit native wildlife

What should I bring? Dress for yard work (long pants, hat, closed shoes, sunscreen) and bring your own water bottle. We will provide garden gloves and tools. Lunch will be provided by Franklinville Presbyterian Church.

No gardening experience necessary! Appropriate for ages 7 and up. Community service learning hours available.

Advanced registration is required.

Register by contacting Darcy Herman at dherman@gunpowdervc.org or (410) 780-8618.

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