

News Release

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Reserve your rain barrel: www.rainbarrelprogram.org/ashleycooper

The Annual Rain Barrel Sale is Underway!

The deadline to order is **Sunday, May 27 at 11:00 p.m.** and pick-up at two locations

<u>Charleston County Government</u> and the <u>Ashley Cooper Stormwater Education Consortium</u> are offering 100% recycled rain barrels to residents at a discounted price through May 27. It is part of an effort to encourage residents to conserve water resources and protect water quality. The normal retail price is \$129, but through a special partnership, they are \$68. Water collected by the rain barrels can be used for gardens/lawns and to wash cars.

Pick-up locations:

- Friday, June 1, 2018
 4:00 6:00 p.m.
 Gahagan Park
 515 W Boundary Street
 Summerville, SC 29485
- Saturday, June 2, 2018
 9:00 11:30 a.m.
 Lonnie Hamilton Public Services Building
 4045 Bridge View Dr
 North Charleston, SC 29405

The rain barrels can be purchased through the program's website, https://www.rainwatersolutions.com/products/acsec-ivy, using a credit card. There will also be a limited number of rain barrels for sale on pick-up days through a first-come, first-serve basis.

Rain barrels capture rainwater from rooftops by connecting to the home's downspout. This water would typically be sent down the storm drain carrying potential contaminants and contributing to flash flooding.

Watch this how to install video.

Features of the Ivy rain barrel:

- Made in the U.S.A.
- 100% recycled plastic
- Dimensions 42.5" H x 22" W
- Child proof, bug proof lid
- Best-in-class overflow set up

- 3/4" ball valve easily connects to garden hose
- Three rain barrels easily fit in a midsized sedan
- All parts included and ready to set up
- Gravity fed. No pumps required
- · Easy to link two or more Ivy barrels together

Ashley Cooper Stormwater Education Consortium:

- The Ashley Cooper Stormwater Education Consortium is a partnership between communities (MS4s), universities, agencies and non-profits working together to implement a regional, watershed-scale stormwater runoff education strategy in the Charleston urbanized area.
- The effort was spearheaded in the Charleston region by <u>Clemson University's Carolina Clear Program</u>.
- Participating communities include the counties of Berkeley, Charleston, and Dorchester and the municipalities of Charleston, Folly Beach, Goose Creek, Hanahan, Isle of Palms, James Island, Lincolnville, Mount Pleasant, North Charleston, Sullivan's Island and Summerville.

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