



# Grants for Rain Barrels in the City of Falls Church



**What?** The Village Preservation and Improvement Society (VPIS) is working with the and the City of Falls Church to make grants to reduce the cost of rain barrels for residents of the City of Falls Church. The grant is part of the VPIS “RainSmart” program.

**Why Rain Barrels?** Rain barrels help protect streams and the Chesapeake Bay, reduce local flooding, and support watering of landscapes during dry periods.

**How Do I Apply for a Grant?** If you would like a grant to cover \$50 of the cost of purchasing and installing up to two rain barrels, complete the application on the other side of this flyer and either email it (i.e.; take a photo of the application and email) to [RainSmart@gmail.com](mailto:RainSmart@gmail.com) or mail it to VPIS/RainSmart Program at PO Box 6824 Falls Church, Va. 22040.



VPIS will review applications and send you an email telling you that you are approved for a grant. You must be a resident of the City of Falls Church; limit two barrels per household per five year period. VPIS reserves the right to limit grants to funds available.

**How Do I Install a Rain Barrel?** You can find information on how to install your rain barrel on the VPIS RainSmart website ([www.vpis.RainSmart.org](http://www.vpis.RainSmart.org)). You can also contact a local handyman listed on the website for help in installing a rain barrel.

**How Do I Get My Rain Barrel Grant?** Once you have installed your rain barrel, take a picture of the barrel and email it to [RainSmart@gmail.com](mailto:RainSmart@gmail.com). VPIS will mail you a check for \$50 per approved rain barrel.



## ***Village Preservation and Improvement Society***



### **Rain Barrels for Falls Church GRANT APPLICATION FORM**

Yes, I want to apply for a grant of install up to two rain barrels at my residence to help control stormwater and protect the environment of Falls Church (grant of \$50 per rain barrel).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(You must be a resident of the City of Falls Church to participate in the Rain Barrel Program.)

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(We need your email address to notify you that your free rain barrel is approved. We will also send you helpful information about how to install and manage your rain barrel.)

Number of Rain Barrels: \_\_\_\_\_

(Limit: Two per household per five year period)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

(Note: Forwarding this form to the Rain Barrel website constitutes signature of the application. By submitting this application you agree to install your rain barrel in a reasonable period of time and to do your best to maintain your rain barrels (e.g.; store water during rain events and drain the rain barrel during dry periods).