

# Rain Gardens

## A Beautiful Solution to Water Pollution



Join Rock River Communities for a **FREE workshop** from Suzanne Wade, Upper and Lower Rock River Basin Educator, to start planning your new rain garden and learn how to keep it growing strong all year long!

**WHEN:** **Thursday August 5, 2010 6 - 8:30PM**

Registration at 6pm

Workshop starts at 6:15PM

**WHERE:** **Beloit City Hall Forum**

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### Workshop Includes:

- Diggin' in Rain Gardens: Why are they important?
- How to Build a Rain Garden
- Common Rain Garden Questions and Solutions
- Site visit to newly installed rain garden at Beloit City Hall



### What is a Rain Garden?

A rain garden is a shallow depression with deep rooted native plants and grasses positioned near a runoff source (ex. downspout, driveway, sump pump). Capturing rainwater from your roof, driveway and sidewalk and diverting it into a rain garden allows the water to slowly soak into the ground, which filters contaminants and keeps large quantities of rainwater from going into the sewer system.