



**Advanced Master Gardener Training
Rainwater Harvesting
September 26, 27 & 28, 2019
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Tarrant County
1801 Circle Dr., Fort Worth, Texas 76119**

Advanced Training Purpose:

To provide advanced training whereby Master Gardeners can obtain specialization in areas that support or expand designed programs of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.

Advanced Master Gardener Training – Rainwater Harvesting:

In an effort to provide training, the Advanced Master Gardener Rainwater Harvesting training was created as a hands-on, intensive multi-day training that will empower Master Gardeners with knowledge and skills required to effectively support and multiply Texas A&M AgriLife Extension efforts in educational programs. The class will teach you about rainwater harvesting from 55 gallon rain barrels up to large home or commercial systems, explain how to hold a rain barrel class in your county, work with water utility providers, groundwater conservation districts, stormwater departments, groups in your county and provide the support you need to teach others.

Master Gardeners who fulfill specified training and volunteer requirements will be recognized as an Advanced Master Gardener in the specific field of Rainwater Harvesting. This certification does not empower the individual with supervisory or administrative authority within his/her local county programs.

Participation Requirements:

To be eligible for the Advanced Master Gardener – Rainwater Harvesting training, an individual must possess an up-to-date Master Gardener certification, or be an employee of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. Master Gardener application must be approved by their local County Extension Agent.

Advanced Master Gardener Training – Rainwater Harvesting:

The Advanced Master Gardener Training – Rainwater Harvesting program is designed to train and certify Master Gardeners to become part of a state corps of Rainwater Harvesting experts and educators. To become a certified Advanced Master Gardener in Rainwater Harvesting, Master Gardeners are required to attend the Advanced Master Gardener in Rainwater Harvesting training to fulfill training requirements and subsequently meet service requirements described below. Training activities during the course will empower Master Gardeners to complete these service requirements.

Position Description:

The Advanced Master Gardener Training – Rainwater Harvesting is charged to increase awareness and provide training in Rainwater Harvesting, both hobby and commercial areas.

Time Commitment:

The Master Gardener is required to serve a minimum of one year as an Advanced Master Gardener in Rainwater Harvesting providing a minimum of 20 hours of service. Train Master Gardeners in their county, present the information to at least 3 other groups and set up a demonstration in their county.

Training and Service Requirements:

- Attend the Advanced Master Gardener – Rainwater Harvesting training
- Serve as a local Advanced Master Gardener – Rainwater Harvesting resource
- Assist with Rainwater Harvesting training for Master Gardeners and trainees
- Conduct community/youth Rainwater Harvesting education programs
- Increase clientele knowledge about Rainwater Harvesting through: presentation, workshops and mass media efforts (i.e. radio, newspaper, television, newsletters)

Specialist Recognition and Certification:

Upon completion of the Advanced Master Gardener – Rainwater Harvesting service requirements, the Master Gardener will be formally recognized at the annual Texas Master Gardener Conference, at which time they will be awarded an Advanced Master Gardener Certificate and lapel pin.

Resources Available to Advanced Master Gardener Training – Rainwater Harvesting:

Rainwater Harvesting training

Educational materials on Rainwater Harvesting

Direct access to Texas AgriLife Extension Service, County Extension Agent - Horticulture

If you need any special accommodations, please contact Steve Chaney at 817-884-1946 by [September 6, 2019](#) so we can consider your request.

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Rainwater Harvesting – Master Gardener Advance Training

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
Tarrant County Master Gardeners

September 26, 27, 28, 2019
Water Works Learning Building
1801 Circle Drive
Fort Worth, TX 76119

Agenda:

Thursday, September 26

9:30 Registration
10:00 Welcome and introductions
10:30 Water Issues and Strategies
11:00 Hydrological Cycle
12:00 Lunch
12:30 Rainwater Harvesting Basics
4:00 Adjourn

Friday, September 27

9:00 Rainwater Harvesting Basics, Continued
12:00 Lunch
12:30 Design and Install Rainwater Collection System for Greenhouse
4:00 Adjourn

Saturday, September 28

8:00 Wildlife Guzzler, Pollinator Collection System
9:00 Youth Education
10:00 Irrigation for Rainwater Collection System
11:30 Landscape for Rainwater Collection System
12:00 Lunch
12:39 Construct rain barrel to take home (if registered in advance)
Learn how to hold rain barrel fundraiser
2:00 Evaluations, Discuss Community Involvement, Planning, Resources, Wrap up
3:00 Adjourn

Registration Form
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Class time: *Thursday*, September 26 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.;
Friday, September 27 9 A.M. - 4 P.M.; *Saturday*, September 28 8 A.M. - 3 P.M.

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____ County you are from: _____

Required MG Coordinator/Agent Signature: _____

Registration fee: **\$250.00** \$ _____

(Includes lunch (3), snacks, drinks, Rainwater Harvesting equipment, Power Point Thumb Drive and resource materials distributed during course).

Rain Barrel – Optional \$50.00 \$ _____

Rainwater Harvesting Khaki Button Down Shirt – Optional \$35.00\$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

If you have any **special dietary needs**, please let us know here by **September 6, 2019:**

<p>Shirt Size: Ladies _____ Men _____</p> <p>Long Sleeve _____ Short Sleeve _____</p> <p>S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL _____ XXXL _____</p> <p><u>Extra \$2 for XXL and XXXL</u></p>

- Transportation and lodging is on your own.
- **A maximum of 2 Master Gardeners from each county.**

Mail check made payable to: Tarrant County Master Gardener Association (TCMGA) along with the registration from to: Tarrant County Master Gardener Rainwater Harvesting Course, P.O. Box 1540; Fort Worth, TX 76101-1540.

NO LATER than September 6, 2019. We must order supplies in advance so there will be **no refunds after September 6.**

For more information Contact: Steve Chaney (SACHaney@ag.tamu.edu)

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To better serve you as far as your educational needs and expectations, please answer the following three questions before sending in your registration:

1. Do you or your MG Association currently have a Rainwater Barrel? If so, what size is it, age, materials, etc.?

2. What do you hope to gain from this class?

3. Have you visited with your agent on how might be the best way to do your volunteer work?
