

# Water Conservation Program (Rain) Water Collection Rebate

This rebate is for the purchase and installation of rainwater or other water (such as air conditioner condensate) collection equipment for outdoor (non-potable) water uses. Using rainwater for non-potable purposes helps conserve our drinking water supply and is better for plants than treated water due to higher nitrogen levels, and helps reduce soil erosion. Rain water collecting equipment is Sale Tax Exempt per a Texas State Law. HOA's cannot prohibit anyone from collecting rainwater. Find more information on the City's website at www.roundrocktexas.gov/rainwater

#### **PROGRAM GUIDELINES**

### **ELIGIBILITY:**

- Applicant must be a direct City of Round Rock water customer in good standing.
- Water collected must only be used for non-potable purposes and not connected to the City's water supply.
- Application and receipt must be submitted within 90-days of purchase. Itemized receipt must include date, vendor
  name, amount paid, barrel(s) capacity, and any other applicable materials. Include a picture of the installed barrel
  with your application submission.
- Rebates are available until funds have been expended; programs may end at any time and without notice.

#### **REBATE DETAILS:**

- Rebate is \$0.50 per gallon of water storage capacity of the barrel, tank, or cistren.
- Equipment rebate is 50% of the price of pad material, overflow materials, first flush, and/or pump. *Garden hoses* and other emission devices are not eligible for the rebate.
- Gutter rebate is 25% of the cost, up to a maximum of \$200, for gutters for a water collection.
- Rebate maximum is \$600 per water account per year. If additional barrels are purchased, you can apply again for the new capacity. The rebate is NOT for the same barrels year after year; it is for expansions or additions to the system.
- Rebate amount does not apply to tax or shipping or delivery fees.
- All rainwater collection/harvesting equipment is exempt from sales tax per Section 151.355 of the Texas Tax Code.
   To claim this exemption, purchaser must furnish a Tax Exemption Application Form 01-339 to the supplier at time of purchase. Form is available at <a href="http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxforms/01-339.pdf">http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxforms/01-339.pdf</a>.

#### **EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS:**

- New barrels made to collect and hold liquid are eligible; used, repurposed, recycled, or self-made barrels are not eligible.
- Tanks/barrels must be dark-colored or have a liner/cover to prevent sunlight from penetrating the tank; this prevents algal growth.
- Barrels must have screens on openings to prevent debris, insects, or animals from entering the barrel.
- The system must have a pipe/hose to direct the overflow water away from the base to prevent erosion and localized flooding.
- If barrel is made of galvanized metal or wood, it must have an interior liner to prevent rusting or rotting.
- Barrels must be level on the ground or a pad. Take into account the weight of the **full** barrel. 1 gallon of water = 8 pounds. Pad can be constructed from a combination of pavers, sand, granite gravel, cinderblocks, or cement.



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## **APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

- 1. Read page 1 of this application to ensure eligibility.
- 2. Submit application, pictures of installed barrels, and itemized receipt(s) within 90 days of purchase date.
- 3. You may be contacted for a final inspection.
- 4. Rebate check will be mailed 2-4 weeks after application has been processed and approved.

APPLICANT INFORMATION:			
ame on Account (First Last):		_ Water CID-Account #:	
nstallation Address:		Zip: _	
Rebate Mailing Address ( <i>if different</i> ):			
nail: Phone		Phone:	
EQUIPMENT INFORMATION:			
Water Holding Container	Total Storage Capacity (in gallons)	Rebate Amount	Rebate
Rain Barrels, tanks, or cisterns		\$0.50 per gallon	
Equipment	Cost (excluding tax)	Rebate Amount (% of equipment cost)	Rebate
Pad material (i.e., sand, pavers, gravel)		50%	
Pump		50%	
Other materials (i.e., first flush, overflow tube)		50%	
Gutters (not including labor)		25% (up to \$200)	
Please sign to confirm you have read and agre	e to the Program Guidelines l	listed on Page 1 of this applic	ation.
Signature:	Printed Name:	Da	te:
Email: <a href="mailto:jwoods@roundrocktexas.gov">jwoods@roundrocktexas.gov</a> Fax: 512-255-6911  Mail: Water Conservation, 3400 Sunrise Roa  QUESTIONS? Contact Jessica Woods at 512-6	ad, Round Rock, TX 78665		
Date Received	CORR USE ONLY Repate Amount	Approved	
Date Received	Rebate Amount		

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