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**Residents Encouraged to Take Advantage of \$75 Reimbursement to  
Install a Rain Barrel**

**PLEASANT HILL, Iowa** – The City of Pleasant Hill encourages residents to take advantage of the rain barrel cost-share program, which provides financial assistance to install a rain barrel.

“Installing a rain barrel reduces the amount of stormwater runoff entering the creeks and streams surrounding Pleasant Hill,” said Madeline Sturms Senior Planner. “Implementing small-scale projects is more cost-effective for residents and benefits our stormwater system, while improving water quality.”

The city has allocated \$5,000 from stormwater utility fees for the program. Residents can be reimbursed up to 50 percent or \$75, whichever is the lesser value. Any citizen who pays the Pleasant Hill stormwater utility fee is eligible to participate in the program, but is required to submit an application and receipts of the rain barrel purchase.

Residents can download an application and learn more about the program by visiting [pleasanthilliowa.org/rainbarrel](http://pleasanthilliowa.org/rainbarrel).

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