

Project Rain Barrel

Free Rain Barrels for City Water & Wastewater Utility Customers!

In cooperation with Ball Corporation, we want to help relieve some of the utility cost associated with watering your lawn and gardens by providing customers with a Free Rain Barrel!



Please call 574-583-7847 or email

wastewater@monticelloin.gov

Please leave your name, number, email address, home address, and customer ID number found on your water bill.

We can only provide the free rain barrel at this time.

You can purchase Diverter Kits at Amazon for less than \$50

[Diverter Kit](#)

Instruction for installing diverter kit & hose spigot can be found on YouTube.

[Diverter Kit Instructions](#)

The rain barrels previously contained a non-toxic, biodegradable soap and have been triple rinsed to be prepared for non-potable use as rain barrels.

(Barrels do not come painted as pictured above)

Instructions for Painting your Rain Barrel:

Use outdoor acrylics to paint your rain barrel. You will need to prime and top coat your plastic barrel.

- Clean the exterior surface with a 1:1 mixture of vinegar and water.
- Use a fine grade sandpaper to "rough up" the surface of the barrel. (This helps the paint adhere to the plastic barrel.)
- Vacuum the barrel's surface, then rinse barrel with clean water (static may try to hold the fine dust) and dry with a lint free cloth (or leave it in the sun to bake)
- Apply at least one coat of outdoor primer. Primer must be allowed to dry per manufacturer's instructions.
- Paint barrel and allow the paint to dry completely.
- Apply two coats of polyurethane. Allow the polyurethane to dry between coats.