

# Stormwater Solutions

# Rain Garden

## What is a Rain Garden?

Rain gardens direct stormwater runoff away from storm sewers and allow it to filter through the ground slowly, reducing the amount of nutrients going into the Great Lakes. This helps protect streams and lakes from pollutants like fertilizers, pesticides, oil and grease; while protecting properties from flooding. Native plant species are planted to help uptake nutrients, provide a food and habitat source for pollinators like bees and butterflies, and are easy to maintain.



Grey Headed Coneflower *Ratibida pinnata*



Cardinal Flower *Lobelia cardinalis*



Ohio Spiderwort *Tradescantia ohiensis*



## How to Create a Rain Garden



1 Select a Site



2 Test Soil, Design Garden



3 Dig and Plant!

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