



2017 ORDER FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone: () _____

Email: _____

Color Choice:

(Indicate quantity of each)

_____ Blue _____ Black

_____ Terra Cotta _____ Gray

PAYMENT: (Note: Rain barrels must be ordered and paid through UpCycle Products Only!) **CASH IS NOT ACCEPTED**

If Paid by Check

(payable to **UpCycle Products, Inc.**)

Blue, Black, Terra Cotta or Gray = \$54.00 each

☐ Check enclosed

Total Amount \$ _____

If Paid by Credit Card

(includes \$2.50 processing fee)

Blue, Black, Terra Cotta or Gray = \$56.50 each

☐ Charge my credit card

☐ Master Card ☐ Discover ☐ VISA

Total Amount \$ _____

Card Number _____

Expiration Date _____

Signature _____

Did you know... that 1 inch of rain falling on 1000 square feet of roof can yield 600 gallons of water? Don't let this free water run away!

How to Order—2017 Program

1. **Online:** www.upcycle-products.com
On the right hand side of their home page is a section for order forms. Click on the form for "Indiana Municipal Programs" and then click on "Merrillville".
2. **Mail:** Completed order form to:
UpCycle Products, P.O. Box 315,
Channahon, IL 60410 (Include completed order form and payment; do not mail cash).
3. **Phone:** Call UpCycle Products at (815) 735-9583 with any questions.

ORDER DEADLINE:

- ◆ **Sunday, May 7, 2017 - by credit card**
- ◆ **Tuesday, May 2, 2017 - by check or money order through mail order**

Pickup Details

Rain barrels **must** be picked up on:

Date: **Tuesday, May 9, 2017**

Time: **3:00 pm to 6:00 pm**

Place: **Merrillville Stormwater Resource Center
7404 Broadway
Merrillville IN 46410**

*** Paid receipt is required ***



Order a Rain Barrel Today!



Merrillville Stormwater Utility

7404 Broadway
Merrillville, IN 46410
Phone: (219) 472-8668

These 55 gallon rain barrels are made from recycled food grade barrels. The barrels have a screw on top with one inch holes, screen mesh to keep out debris and mosquitoes, an overflow male hose connection, a drain valve and a connection to attach additional barrels.

2017 Pickup Time and Location

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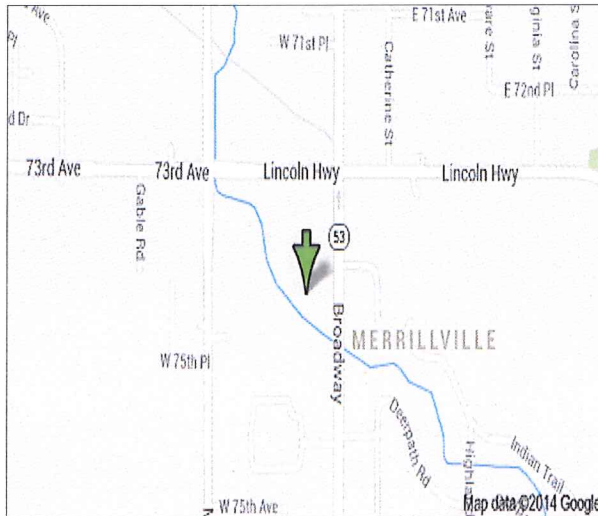
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to verify purchase information*****

- ♦ If you are unable to pick up your rain barrel at the pickup time, please arrange for your barrel to be picked up by a friend, relative, neighbor, etc. We are unable to store unclaimed barrels at our facility.

Map for 7404 Broadway (below)



What is a Rain Barrel?

A rain barrel is a container that collects and stores rainwater from your roof that would otherwise be lost to runoff and diverted to storm drains and streams. This water is typically used to water plants, trees, shrubs and lawns.

What are the Advantages of a Rain Barrel?

Saves You Money

A rain barrel will save most homeowners about 1,300 gallons of water during the peak summer months. Saving water not only helps protect the environment, it saves you money and energy (decreased demand for treated tap water).

Helps Reduce Stormwater Pollution

Rainwater stored in rain barrels helps reduce the amount of stormwater runoff and the amount of pollutants that are picked up and carried to storm sewers, creeks and rivers.

Conserves Water Supply Resources

Lawn and garden watering make up nearly 40% of total household water use during the summer. Rainwater used from rain barrels helps reduce the amount of water used from underground aquifers.

Better for Plants and Gardens

Rainwater stored in rain barrels is a naturally soft water and devoid of minerals, chlorine, fluoride and other chemicals. For this reason, plants respond very well to rainwater. After all, it's what plants in the wild thrive on!



How to Install your Rain Barrel

- ♦ It is a good idea to put your barrel up on a flat, stable platform (concrete blocks, landscaping blocks or other solid support). The added height increases the water pressure and allows you to put a bucket under the spigot to bring water to your indoor plants. A full 55 gallon rain barrel weighs over 450 pounds.
- ♦ Install an overflow hose to direct water away from your house foundation for times of high rainfall.
- ♦ Locate and install your rain barrel to keep kids safe. Keep your rain barrel lid tight at all times to prevent children, animals and insects from entering or falling in.
- ♦ Measure and cut the downspout. Use the existing elbow or a flexible spout attachment to direct the water to the top of the rain barrel. The end of the downspout should be cut 6-8 inches above the top of the rain barrel. Downspouts can be cut with a hacksaw. Flexible spouts can be purchased at hardware stores or home improvement centers.
- ♦ In the fall, you need to empty your rain barrel and then leave the valve (spigot) open. Remove the cap on the lower fitting. Leave the barrel in place and in the spring, just close the valve and install the cap.
- ♦ Diverters are available that can easily switch the downspout from filling the rain barrel to normal operation once the rain barrel is full.
- ♦ More questions on how to use rain barrels can be directed to **UpCycle Products at (815) 735-9583.**

Disclaimer

With proper installation, maintenance and use, your rain barrel should function properly. The Town of Merrillville assumes no liability for the installation, maintenance, property damage or injury associated with your rain barrel. Do not drink, cook or bathe with water from your rain barrel.