



**Visit the Isanti Indoor  
Arena to see a rain  
garden in action!**



*101 Isanti Parkway NW  
(East side of building -  
parking available)*

For more information  
about the City of Isanti's  
Residential Rain Garden  
Incentive Program, visit  
Isanti City Hall or our  
website at [cityofisanti.us](http://cityofisanti.us),  
or call 763-444-5512



## **Residential Rain Garden**



## **Incentive Program**



# What is a rain garden?

Rain gardens are specifically designed to capture and naturally filter stormwater runoff. They are typically made up of native flowers, grasses, and shrubs, and are beautiful landscaping features.

In a natural environment, rain generally soaks into the ground where it can be filtered before being returned to water sources.

However, our streets, parking lots, sidewalks, and roofs cause the stormwater to run right into lakes, streams, and rivers. Rain gardens help to catch and filter some of this water with the help of native plants. The plants grow deep roots which help to stabilize the soil and slow down stormwater so pollutants can be removed.

# Who cares about runoff?

Stormwater (rain) washes away sediment, chemicals, and other pollutants. If it doesn't get filtered first, all of those things end up back in the water we drink, cook with, and play in!

# What can I do?

You can plant a rain garden at home - and the City of Isanti is here to help! You can apply for the reimbursement program to receive 50% (up to \$500) of the cost to put in a rain garden. Through the process, you'll find lots of helpful hints and tips to guide you through planning your garden.

The application can be found online at [cityofisanti.us](http://cityofisanti.us) or picked up at Isanti City Hall.

