**Covington Water District Water Conservation Program**

**Rain Barrel**

- Cut across top of barrel with saber saw just past where the first hinge will be located. Install hinge using wood screws provided with hinge, proceed with cut just past where the second hinge is to be located. Install second hinge and proceed with cut around barrel to form lid.

- A handle can be installed.

- Install a pan head screw or some type of stop to keep lid from falling through hole.

**PLEASE NOTE:** These barrels are not intended for drinking water storage. Also note, that rainwater from roofs that have been chemically treated for moss may harm some plants. Barrels can be painted to match house color or to blend in with the shrubbery.

- Cut or drill a hole large enough to accept PVC plumbing pipe to link barrels in series. Make sure to have a tight fit so caulking or PVC cement can seal the joint.

- Drill a 3/8" dia. hole for saber saw blade

- Cut a round or square hole around bung, large enough to accept down spout.

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**Disclaimer**

Covington Water District is providing these rain barrels as a service to its customers at a nominal cost, and in no way assumes any liability for the use of same. Use at your own risk!
Caution:
It is a good idea to scrub the inside of the barrel with a household cleanser. A kitchen scrub mop will work well. Be sure to rinse well. It is also a good idea to put a sign on the barrel stating that: **Contents of this barrel are not for human or animal consumption.**

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Cut 6" dia. hole in the top with a saber saw, keyhole saw, drywall saw or sharp utility knife.

Caution:
- Don't allow water to overflow and saturate ground around your home's foundation. Use an adjustable diverter or an overflow pipe that directs water away from your home.
- Place barrel on cinder blocks or an outdoor wood stand.
- Caution children not to drink the water from the rain barrel, and don't use for pets.

**Use an all-purpose adhesive caulk to assemble the Hose Bib assembly.**

Drill 1" dia. hole in side of barrel with a std. twist bit, spade bit or hole saw. If you are careful you can even use a sharp utility knife.