

RAIN BARREL WORKSHOPS

Create a resilient yard to sustain the Red River by building a rain barrel. Workshops include a short presentation on water quality and stormwater runoff.

Make Your Own Rain Barrel Workshop

- April 28 or May 6, 2026 from 6-7:30 pm at a Moorhead Park
- Fee: \$44 or \$39 for Moorhead residents (includes supplies)



Make and Paint Rain Barrel Workshop

Build and customize your rain barrel with your own design in this two-day workshop!

- May 20 and 21, 2026 from 5:30 - 8 pm at the West Fargo Fairgrounds
- Fee: \$69 or \$64 for Moorhead residents (includes supplies)



COMPOST WORKSHOP



Create a resilient yard to sustain the Red River by making your own compost tumbler. Workshops include a presentation on the basics of composting. By tumbling this composter around once a week, you could have a barrel of compost by the end of the season.

Make Your Own Compost Tumbler Workshop

- April 21, 2026 from 6-8 pm at a Moorhead Park
- Fee: \$59 or \$54 for Moorhead residents (includes supplies)

WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

Pre-registration is required through [Moorhead Community Education](https://www.moorheadcommunityeducation.org) online or by calling 218-284-3400.



Be ready to take home a 55 gallon barrel!

FOR SALE

Blue or white 55-gallon used food grade barrel. Orders require at least a 3-business day notice, seasonally available.

- Assembled Rain Barrel- \$85
- Rain Barrel DIY Kit - \$65
- Assembled Compost Tumbler- \$85

Purchase at

riverkeepers.org/shop or contact Kimberly@riverkeepers.org or 701-356-8915.



Rain Barrel Installation

To install, additional tools are required including a drill and screwdriver. Safety glasses and gloves are recommended.



BENEFITS

Rain Barrels:

- Conserve water and lower your monthly bill.
- Provide chlorine and fluoride additive free water that is plant friendly.
- Provide rainwater that is slightly acidic which helps plants access soil nutrients.
- Maintain gardens during water restrictions
- Reduce moisture issues around foundations.
- Add more barrels easily for more storage.
- Divert stormwater from roofs, reducing the strain on the river and storm sewers. Storm water flows directly to the Red River, not to a wastewater treatment facility. Use stored water for plants or slowly release to make room for the next rain.



Compost Tumblers:

- Reduce phosphorus levels in the wastewater effluent released to the Red River by minimizing food waste in garbage disposals.
- Compost improves the texture of both clay and sandy soils, improving water retention.
- Reduces garbage volume.
- Acts as a rich, natural fertilizer, reducing use of chemical fertilizers.
- Helps control weeds.



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