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Awards and Distinctions

All America City Finalist
American Public Works Association
(APWA) Accreditation
Commission on Fire Accreditation
International (CFAI)
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Gold Level Clean Air Counts
Community
Governor's Hometown Award
Government Finance Officers
Association Budget Award
Government Finance Officers
Association Certificate of Achievement
for Excellence in Financial Reporting
Illinois Law Enforcement Accreditation
(ILEAP)
Insurance Services Office (ISO) Class
One Fire Department
State of Illinois Certified Health
Department
Tree City U.S.A. Distinction

Village of Skokie

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Rain Barrels Available to Skokie Residents

Harvesting rainwater helps the environment and saves money! A rain barrel collects and stores rainwater from your rooftop for later use. Rainwater is naturally soft and devoid of minerals, chlorine, fluoride and other chemicals and it is the perfect source for watering your garden or maintaining your landscaping. Additionally, rain barrels help slow rain runoff so it can drain into the ground naturally, which helps keep excess rainwater out of the sewer systems and from collecting pollutants. Rain barrels also provide water during dry weather when set to slowly release water after rains have subsided, allowing it to seep into the soil for use by plants. Rain barrels should be checked at least weekly to be sure that all openings are screened to prevent mosquito breeding.

The Village of Skokie, in cooperation with the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD), is able to provide residents of the Village with up to four rain barrels at no cost to you. Color choices are blue, gray, terra cotta or black. To sign up, residents should contact the Skokie Engineering Division at 847-933-8232 and provide their name, address, phone number, e-mail, and desired quantity. MWRD will contact interested residents to schedule delivery, which can take up to eight weeks.

For more information please contact the Skokie Engineering Division at 847-933-8232.

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