

When It Rains, It Drains

Understanding Storm Water
and How It can Affect
Your Money, Safety, Health,
and the Environment



What is Stormwater?

Stormwater is the precipitation that flows across the ground after it rains or when snow and ice melt.

Stormwater can become an issue as it picks up debris, dirt, and chemicals when it flows. It can also cause flooding that erodes stream banks. This polluted stormwater is collected in our storm sewer systems which are made up of pipes and roadside ditches. All of the stormwater collected eventually makes it to our streams, lakes, and wetlands. Since stormwater is not treated, the pollutants that have been collected make it back into our waters!

What can we do to help?

- Properly dispose of hazardous waste, and never put them down the storm sewer drain
- Pick up after pets and dispose of their waste properly
- Use pesticides, fertilizers, and herbicides properly as to not create excess runoff
- Install residential stormwater systems such as rain gardens or rain barrels that keep the stormwater on site and not into the storm sewer system

It All Adds Up to a Cleaner Neighborhood and Community

**Help make Dallastown and your community a cleaner place to live by
WINNING a DIY Rain Barrel.**

***Please Fill & Cut out the slip then send in
or drop off at the Dallastown Borough
Office, 175 E. Broad St., Dallastown, PA
17313.***

(Drawing will be held on 11/20/2020)

2020 Rain Barrel Raffle

Name: _____ (Due 11/20/2020)

Address: _____

Phone #: _____