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Rain barrel and composter pre-order sale ends April 22, 2016

February 8, 2016 - Carroll County Government Office of Recycling Operations is holding a rain barrel and compost bin pre-order sale. Order deadline is April 22, 2016 at www.enviroworld.us/carrollcountymd. Rain barrels and compost bins must be picked up on April 30, 2016, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Carroll County Office Building, 225 N. Center Street, Westminster, Maryland. Items **will not** be available for pick up after this date and **cannot** be purchased there.

This pre-order sale features the FreeGarden™ RAIN rain barrel at \$60 and the FreeGarden™ EARTH compost bin at \$50, affordable, attractive, and easy to use products that make home composting and waste diversion simple. Also available for pre-order are compost thermometers \$15, compost turners \$10 and kitchen collector containers \$10. Rain barrel and compost bin use provide methods for homeowners to care for their lawns and gardens that are efficient, cost-effective, and beneficial for the environment. According to the Environmental Protection Agency, outdoor water use can be as much as 40% of total domestic water demand during summer months. Using a rain barrel can reduce this demand, preserve a natural resource, and save homeowners money on water bills. Compost bins turn organic kitchen and yard waste into a nutrient-rich soil amendment that replaces traditional fertilizers to produce gardens with bigger, healthier plants and vegetables.

The environment benefits from the use of rain barrels and compost bins in numerous ways. Rain barrels divert water from storm drains, decreasing the impact of runoff to streams and minimizing sewer overflows during heavy rainfalls. Composting diverts organic material from the trash can to the compost bin, and also reduces the need for chemical fertilizers, and diverts kitchen waste that would otherwise go to the landfill.

Do your part by pre-ordering your own rain barrel and compost bin on-line at www.enviroworld.us/carrollcountymd by April 22, 2016. For more information, contact the Carroll County Government Office of Recycling Operations at 410-386-2035.

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