

# SOAK UP THE RAIN

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## Why soak up the rain?

1. Rain water that sinks into the ground nourishes life
2. Stormwater runoff transports pollutants into down-stream water bodies. It erodes streams. It floods and poisons our homes, our towns, and farms where our food is grown.

## How to soak up the rain?



Downspout directs rain to the driveway and street; rain becomes stormwater runoff.



Downspout directs rain to landscaped area; rain soaks into the ground.

## Notice where the water goes and redirect it!

**EVERY SMALL CHANGE MATTERS!**

Materials prepared by the Lower Raritan Watershed Partnership.

Above photos and others with more information about soaking up rain are at [epa.gov/soakuptherain/what-you-can-do-soak-rain](https://epa.gov/soakuptherain/what-you-can-do-soak-rain).