The Rain Gardens and More Program for Kitsap County provides green stormwater practices to landowners of Unincorporated Kitsap County. The program only applies to existing structures; new construction does not qualify.

Green Stormwater Solutions include: Rain Gardens, Soaker Trenches, Permeable Paving, Cisterns, and Rain Barrels.

The program offers two options: Dig Day or Cost Share.

With a Dig Day, KCD supplies installation and materials*, and pays the contractor directly. *For rain gardens, landowners will supply mulch, rocks and some plants.

With the Cost Share option, KCD reimburses landowners for costs for materials and contractor labor, up to $1000.

The Rain Garden Program process has several steps:

1) Landowner fills out the Rain Garden Program application and schedules a site visit

2) KCD evaluates the application using a matrix of criteria to determine if site meets prioritization criteria for funding

3) If project is approved for funding, Landowner signs and dates the Rain Garden Program Agreements (Cooperator and Assistance Agreements). Contractor and material receipts are eligible for reimbursement after this date.

4) KCD can contribute technical assistance for design or construction. KCD design specifications must be followed to receive reimbursement, even if using a contractor.

5) After project completion, landowner submits original receipts (Cost Share) and schedules KCD to inspect the finished practice and get completion signatures.

6) Reimbursement check is issued to landowner (usually within two weeks)