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## **Westside Community Center, NBU offer DIY Rain Barrel Workshop**

**New Braunfels, TX** — The DIY Rain Barrel Workshop, one of the Westside Community Center’s most popular programs, returns on Thursday, October 11th, from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.

“It’s definitely a hands-on, educational DIY for those who have been waiting to participate in rainwater harvesting or are looking to increase conservation efforts,” said Westside Community Center’s Outreach Coordinator Jennifer Hernandez. “Tell a friend, bring a representative from one of your local schools, organizations, or register for your own garden rain barrel.”

Rain Barrel Workshop attendees are required to bring a 32-gallon trashcan (with the lid), and NBU will provide the fixtures and fittings free of charge. Participants should be prepared to follow the step-by-step process with assistance from New Braunfels Utilities (NBU) staff.

“Rain barrels capture water from a roof and hold it for later use,” Hernandez said. “Collecting roof runoff in rain barrels reduces the amount of water that flows from your property and is a great way to conserve water. It’s also free water for use in your landscape.”

The workshop, held in partnership with NBU, will be led by NBU’s Environmental Affairs staff members Andrew Cummings and Kristin Martinez.

Space is limited for this event, and registration is required. Those interested in participating can register online at <https://nbtexas.libcal.com/event/3758060>.

The Westside Community Center is located at 2932 S. IH 35 in New Braunfels (Exit 185 southbound).

For more information about the Rain Barrel Workshop or other programs, contact the Westside Community Center at 830-221-4630 or the New Braunfels Public Library at 830-221-4300.

For more information on NBU’s water and energy conservation efforts, including NBU’s rain barrel rebate, visit [www.nbutexas.com/conservation](http://www.nbutexas.com/conservation).

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