Haverhill 2025 Rain Barrel Program — Every Drop Matters



"This is the world we now live in. Every day we see weather that we haven't seen before. Things are happening that people haven't dealt with before." — Governor Maura Healy

This past summer, many communities reported several inches of rain within just a few hours. On August 8, more than six inches of rain fell on parts of Massachusetts. Drivers were stranded in their cars. Heavy rains sent bacteria-laden stormwater into the ocean and many of our beaches had to close. By October 2, there had been only five rain-free weekends since Memorial Day. This is a direct crisis of climate change.

Every Drop Counts — Rain Barrels benefit both communities and our planet by:

- Providing a clean, untreated water source that can be used for gardening and cleaning.
- Decreasing energy consumption and greenhouse emissions at water treatment plants which is crucial to fighting climate change.
- Reducing water bills up to 40% and can save homeowners 1300 gallons of water annually.
- Using less water helps to sustainably manage water as a global resource, ensuring its availability for future generations.

About The Great American Rain Barrel

- 100% re-purposed, food grade, UV protected and BPA free barrels. *Produced in Massachusetts*.
- Most durable rain barrels on the market: 3/16" wall thickness. Screen filtered to keep mosquitoes out.
- Will last for years when properly drained & stored for winter. Pay for themselves in one year.
- Several rain barrels can be linked together easy 5-minute setup.
- Available Colors: Forest Green, Earth Brown, and Nantucket Grey. Also available unpainted.

How to Purchase Your Rain Barrel

Rain Barrels are available for purchase by residents at the discounted price of \$89.00. **How to Order:** <u>https://www.greatamericanrainbarrel.com/community/</u>, Select Town and State **Pickup:** Sat April 26th Haverhill Recycling Center 95 Downing St., 8-12:00noon **Deadline:** April 13th, Midnight.