

Rain Barrel Rebate Program

What is a Rain Barrel?

Easy to install and usually inexpensive, rain barrels are an excellent way to conserve Cranbrook's drinking water supply. Rain barrels collect rainwater from buildings and rooftops to be used at later times. This water can be used for outdoor irrigation, reducing the need to use treated water from the tap.

Why Collect Rainwater?

- Rainwater is naturally soft and devoid of minerals, making it better for plants and soil.
- > You will have your own water source in times of drought or water restrictions.
- > Water conservation reduces your utility bill cost.
- Helps to supplement your outdoor water use, reducing strain on the reservoir when demand is highest, and supply is lowest.
- > Reduces the volume of storm water run-off, preventing erosion and preserving creek health.

Rainwater is not treated; therefore, it is non-potable. Do not use this water to drink or cook with.

The Program:

For a limited time, the City of Cranbrook is offering one \$50 rebate per household for installing a rain barrel. The rebate is available on a first come, first served basis until funds are exhausted. To ensure you do not miss out apply early.

Who is Eligible?

This offer is only for owners of existing residential buildings with a valid occupancy permit, property taxes in good standing, located within the municipal boundaries of the City of Cranbrook and connected to the City of Cranbrook water systems. Those who received a rebate in previous years (2019 & 2020) are not eligible for a rebate in 2021. Only valid applications of **rain barrels purchased on or after January 1, 2021** will be accepted.

What do you Need to Apply?

- 1. Completed application form (on reverse)
- 2. Proof of installation as follows:
 - ✓ Receipt dated on or after January 1, 2021, for purchase of a rain barrel.
 - ✓ Photograph of the rain barrel installed in place.

We recommend you make a copy of your application form and receipts for your own records, as all information provided will not be returned.

Where do I Send my Completed Application Form?

With the current situation around COVID-19, you can mail this information to us at 40-10th Avenue South, Cranbrook BC V1C 2M8. You can also drop it off in our drop box at City Hall or email copies of all the necessary information to <u>ap@cranbrook.ca</u>.



Applicant Information:

Owner(s) Name(s):	
Mailing Address:	
	Postal Code:
Installation Address (if different from above):	
	Postal Code:
Daytime Phone:	Email (optional):
Utility Bill Account #:	Rain Barrel Cost:

I hereby certify that the information given is correct and the noted rain barrel has been installed at the installation address. I agree to permit a representative of the City of Cranbrook access to inspect this installation if needed for the purpose of ensuring the requirements of the rebate program have been met. I acknowledge that the inspection of the installation by City staff is **not** for the purpose of ensuring the rain barrel has been installed properly. I understand that the City of Cranbrook is not responsible for the functioning of the rain barrel and that submission of an application does not guarantee a rebate.

To ensure your application's success, make sure it is complete with **proof of purchase and photos attached**. All rebates are issued on a first come, first served basis, and may take one to two weeks to process. All rebates are subject to availability of funds and the rebate program may be changed or terminated without notice.

Recycle the Rain!



Applicant Signature: _____

Date:

For more information on the City of Cranbrook's Rain Barrel Rebate Program, please visit

our website at <u>www.cranbrook.ca/residents/water-conservation</u>.