



# Create beautiful gardens to keep water clean

## Design a Native Garden



Native gardens are beautiful, save water and your time.

## Create a Raingarden



Raingardens filter dirty stormwater from streets and rooftops before it enters creeks and rivers.

## Stabilize Shorelines



Long roots of native plants anchor soil, filter out pollutants and discourage geese from congregating.

Join us for a **free** Planting for Clean Water workshop at [Birchwood City Hall](#) to learn about beautiful and affordable native gardens and raingardens that help to keep White Bear Lake clean.

**Blue Thumb Workshop:** [Thu. Nov. 18, 6:30-8pm](#)

Cost-share grants are available through the Rice Creek Watershed District for people with direct drainage to White Bear Lake to install raingardens and other projects that treat polluted runoff. Design and installation assistance may also be available through the Washington Conservation District.

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This Blue Thumb Planting for Clean Water workshop is hosted by:

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