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WATER PAGES eNEWSLETTER



*Best wishes for a safe, healthy, and happy holiday season
from the
Rutgers Cooperative Extension
Water Resources Program!*

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**DID YOU REGISTER YET?
What are you waiting for?
Become a leader, become a
Green Infrastructure Champion in 2022!**

The next Green Infrastructure Champions Training Program will be offered every other Friday from 10AM to 12NOON starting January 14, 2022!



All sessions for the 2022 training program will be offered via an online format.

Here is what we can offer as part of the program:

- Training on green infrastructure planning and implementation
- Technical support to develop a design for a green infrastructure demonstration project
 - Networking opportunities with other Green Infrastructure Champions for mutual support
 - Assistance with grant writing

2022 Training Program Class Schedule:

1. How to identify green infrastructure projects in your town (January 14)
2. Moving from planning to implementation of green infrastructure (January 28)
3. Maintaining green infrastructure practices/projects (February 11)
4. Stormwater management regulations, policies, and ordinances (February 25)
5. Green infrastructure planning and implementation for Sustainable Jersey points (March 11)
6. Green infrastructure projects for schools (March 25)
7. How to design and build a rain garden (April 8)
8. Retrofitting traditional detention basins with green infrastructure (April 22)
9. Developing green infrastructure master plans for an entire site or neighborhood (May 6)
10. Using green infrastructure to promote climate resiliency (May 20)

Registration is required; the fee is \$10/class, and attendance at a minimum of five (5) classes is needed for certification.

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Contact **Hollie DiMuro** (hollie.dimuro@rutgers.edu) if you are interested in becoming a Green Infrastructure Champion.

The Year in Review - 2021

The Water Resources Program is extremely grateful to have had the opportunity this year to work with municipalities and residents throughout New Jersey to address stormwater runoff problems. This year we continued to conduct green infrastructure planning, design, and implementation for communities to help reduce localized flooding and improve the health of local waterways. We helped install over forty green infrastructure projects as well as conducted maintenance at close to sixty previously installed green infrastructure



demonstration projects. We designed rain gardens for over one hundred homeowners as part of our rain garden rebate programming, and we developed green infrastructure plans for over twenty municipalities. We even educated over two hundred people this year through our Green Infrastructure Champions training program! The Water Resources Program relies on grants, contracts, and donations to fund our efforts. We hope you will consider making an end-of-the-year donation to our program. We are truly grateful for your continued support of our program!



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