



THE ACWD CONNECTION



As winter approaches and the rainy season begins, now is the ideal time to prepare your home exterior and landscape for the coming months. Here are some tips to get you prepared:

- Adjust irrigation times by 50 percent and turn off your sprinklers when it rains
- Wrap exterior water pipes to protect them from cold weather
- Plant a water-efficient garden to take advantage of winter rains
- Trim dead tree branches to prevent hazards during winter storms
- Rake leaves from lawns and dispose in your compost or green waste bin
- Clean gutters and downspouts of leaves and debris
- Install rain barrels to harvest water from your roof
 - Rain barrels reduce water runoff to storm drains and allow you to collect water for plants to use when the rainy season ends

ACWD offers rebates on rain barrels to give your landscape projects a jump start!

Rebates are available for up to \$50 per qualifying rain barrel, with a two rebate maximum per residential account. For more information, visit www.acwd.org or call the Water Conservation Department at (510) 668-4218.



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