

DISCLAIMER

LUS/LCG Rain Barrel Project

The Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government through the Lafayette Utilities System is sponsoring the LUS/LCG Rain Barrel Project (herein the “Project”). By your execution of the “Participant Acknowledgement” contained herein, you have agreed to participate in the Project and acquire a rain barrel directly from a designated vendor, which the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government through the Lafayette Utilities System will assist with the delivery, thereof. As owner of the rain barrel, you shall be responsible for the installation, maintenance and care of the rain barrel. As a participant in the Project and owner of a rain barrel, you further agree to provide the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government and the Lafayette Utilities System with information regarding your use of the rain barrel and the rainwater collected therein.

A rain barrel is used as a method for collecting rainwater which can later be re-used for certain activities outdoors, such as, watering your lawn or garden, washing your car or refilling pools or ponds. The use of the rain barrel and use of the rainwater collected is very beneficial to the environment. However, the following safety considerations should be taken into account when using the rain barrel and the rainwater collected.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS:

- Rainwater collected from rain barrels is **NOT** to be used for human consumption. Under no circumstances should the rainwater be used for drinking, cooking or other potable uses.
- Do not collect rainwater if you use moss killer or suspect other chemical contaminants on your rooftop.
- Ensure your barrel is secured on a firm and level surface to prevent a tipping hazard. A full fifty-five (55) gallon barrel can weigh four hundred (400) pounds.
- Keep the lid with the attached mesh screen secure on the barrel so children and/or animals cannot fall into the barrel. The screen will also prevent mosquitoes from breeding in your barrel. Mosquito dunks can be used in rain barrels if desired. Mosquito dunks are a larvacide and not harmful to pets, people or plants.
- Use the collected rainwater within a week or before the next storm event, whichever comes first.

The Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government and the Lafayette Utilities System make no warranties or representations, *implied or express*, with regard to the Project, the rain barrel or the rainwater collected and the use of either the rain barrel or rainwater.

In no event shall the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government or the Lafayette Utilities Systems be liable for any loss or damage including without limitation, indirect or consequential loss or damage, or any loss or damage whatsoever arising from or arising out of, or in connection with, the Project, the rain barrel or the rainwater collected and the use of either the rain barrel or rainwater.

PARTICIPANT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

By signing below, you hereby verify that you have read the above Disclaimer and Safety Considerations, and you have agreed to participate in the Project. Also, you hereby agree to acquire the rain barrel from a designated vendor. You further agree to install, maintain and care for the rain barrel. In consideration of your use of the rain barrel, you hereby agree to provide the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government and the Lafayette Utilities System with information regarding your use of the rain barrel and the rainwater collected. You further hereby agree to hold the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government, the Lafayette Utilities System, and all of their officials, directors, employees (full-time, part-time and contract) and other related parties or providers of the rain barrel or the Project, harmless from any and all liability, loss or damage, including, but not limited to attorney fees, with regard to the Project, the delivery, installation and maintenance of the rain barrel, the rainwater collected and the use of either the rain barrel or rainwater.

Signed: _____

Print: _____

Date: _____