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## **LVMWD Offers Rebates to Purchase and Install Rain Barrels**

CALABASAS, CA (March 31, 2016) - Las Virgenes Municipal Water District (LVMWD) is offering incentives for customers to purchase and install rain barrels.

To reserve the rebate, an applicant must be an LVMWD customer and provide "before and after" photos. Also, there is a limit of four barrels for the rebate.

Customers first apply to LVMWD to "reserve" a \$125 rebate for installation of each rain barrel. The installation rebate reservation form can be found at:

[www.lvmwd.com/rain-barrels](http://www.lvmwd.com/rain-barrels); reservation approval must precede installation.

Next, customers apply for an additional \$75 rebate to purchase each rain barrel.

The purchase rebate is available through [www.socalwatersmart.com](http://www.socalwatersmart.com), which also provides details on qualifying rain barrels and proper installation.

Each rain barrel must be securely mounted on a firm, elevated footing to provide water flow through the outlet and secured to prevent tipping in an earthquake. In addition, downspouts from rain gutter systems must be modified to direct water into the barrel.

"The combined rebate, totaling \$200 per barrel, should be attractive to customers who want to capture and use nature's free water," said David W. Pedersen, LVMWD's General Manager. "We encourage customers to act quickly because the installation portion of the rebate was made possible through a grant with limited funds."

Las Virgenes Municipal Water District provides potable water and wastewater treatment services to residents of Agoura Hills, Calabasas, Hidden Hills, Westlake Village and adjacent unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County including the Santa Monica Mountains and Chatsworth.

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