

# Gardens for Stevens Point Schools

Recycling Connections and the City of Stevens Point Public Utilities Department are offering schools an opportunity to design, install, and use a school rain garden (or native prairie garden).



## WHY RAIN GARDENS AT SCHOOLS?

The goal is to have a rain garden (or native prairie garden) demonstration site at schools in the City of Stevens Point to show the benefits of using native plants for stormwater management.

There are many benefits of rain gardens such as:

- improving groundwater
- protecting streams and lakes
- preventing flooding
- aesthetics
- supporting pollinators

This program offers 18-month support to schools. If awarded, your school will receive: Staff Support, Expert Advice on Design and Placement, Coordination Support, Garden Supplies, the Purchase of Native Plants, a Compost Bin, Garden Signs, & Professional Development.

Schools will submit a letter of interest to Recycling Connections to explain why your school would like to install a garden at your location.

### Program Requirements:

- Be a school in the City of Stevens Point (public or private)
- Submit a letter of interest by January 24, 2025
- List a team of at least 4 people at your school to be on the leadership team for this project (incl. teachers, administrators, staff, students, and/or parents) Please note: each team must have at least 2 teachers on the team.
- Email your letter of interest to [Susan@RecyclingConnections.org](mailto:Susan@RecyclingConnections.org).

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