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## PRESS RELEASE

### **Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District Launches Rainwater Harvesting Rebate Program**

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Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District (“District”) is thrilled to announce the launch of its Rainwater Harvesting Rebate Program. This initiative is designed to promote sustainable water conservation practices and support residents in adopting rainwater harvesting (“RWH”) systems within Ellis, Hill, Johnson, or Somervell counties.

The Rainwater Harvesting Rebate Program offers financial incentives to residents who install RWH systems, contributing to the responsible management of water resources in our communities. By harnessing the power of rainwater, participants not only reduce their reliance on public water supplies.

To be eligible for the rebate, applicants must reside or own land within the designated counties and have their rainwater harvesting systems installed within these areas. Each household is entitled to one rebate application per calendar year, with a maximum rebate amount of \$500. Rebates are calculated at a rate of \$1.00 per gallon of storage capacity of the entire RWH system.

The application process involves a few straightforward steps:

- **Submit a preliminary drawing:** Before purchasing materials, applicants must submit a preliminary drawing for approval. This drawing should include a general map of the system, catchment area size, and tank details.
- **Complete and submit the rebate application:** Once the preliminary drawing is approved, applicants can fill out the rebate application form and submit it along with the approved drawing and original receipts for the purchased tanks and associated components.
- **Schedule an inspection:** After installing the system, applicants must schedule an inspection with District staff to ensure compliance with program guidelines.

Participants are encouraged to review the terms and conditions of the Rebate Program Agreement, which include provisions regarding application completeness, verification, policy updates, processing time, rainwater usage, and tank base requirements.

The Rainwater Harvesting Rebate Program represents a significant step forward in sustainable water management within our communities. The District invites residents to take advantage of this opportunity to contribute to water conservation efforts while receiving valuable financial support. For more information about the Rainwater Harvesting Rebate Program, including eligibility criteria and application instructions, please visit the following link

<https://www.prairielandsgcd.org/education/rainwater-harvesting/> or contact Kaylin Garcia at 817-556-2299.

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