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Rainwater Revival Sets Grant Application Deadline for Hill Country Schools

For the third consecutive year, Rainwater Revival offers funds to help students learn about rainwater catchment and water conservation.

Hill Country schools in 17 counties are now eligible to apply for grants funded by professionally painted "art rain barrels" that were auctioned at the highly successful 2012 Rainwater Revival, held in Boerne in October. The functional works of art are designed and painted by Hill Country artists and donated to the Revival to help Hill Country schools design and implement rainwater catchment systems and other water conservation projects.

"This year, we're pleased to announce that we will award three \$900 grants to schools, thanks to the generosity of our artists and the businesses that donated paint and barrels as well as the spirited bidders during the event," said Christy Muse, Executive Director of the Hill Country Alliance which sponsors the annual, free event. "The eye-catching barrels raised \$2,700 and are now at home in the lucky bidders' yards or patios." See the barrels and the inspiration behind their designs at www.rainwaterrevival.com.

The deadline for applications for grants to be used during the 2013-2014 school year, is April 1, 2013, with the selection of recipients expected by May 1, allowing teachers to start their projects at the beginning of the upcoming school year.

"We've developed an easy process for teachers to request a grant," Rainwater Revival Chair, Karen Ford, said. "We understand the demands on a teacher's time and how meaningful a grant can be to an educator during these trying financial times."

To apply, provide a one-page description of the project, including number of students reached, expected outcomes, length or duration of project, and general management and participation in the project; the project budget, including grant amount requested and, if anticipated, matching funds or in-kind services (matches not required); letter(s) of support from school principal and any others, as appropriate, and primary contact name, phone and email.

The grants are open to public and private elementary, middle and high schools throughout 17 counties of the Hill Country region. Email applications to info@RainwaterRevival.com or mail to HCA-Rainwater Revival, Attention Grant Program, 15315 Hwy 71 West, Bee Cave, TX 78738. Complete information and a list of eligible counties are available at www.rainwaterrevival.com.

About the Rainwater Revival

The Rainwater Revival is an annual celebration of collection, conservation and common sense designed to help individuals and businesses learn how to capture rainwater for in-home and outdoor irrigation. The free event is sponsored by the Hill Country Alliance and will be held Saturday, Nov. 2, 2013 at the Boerne Convention Center.

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