



Prince George's County

# STORMWATER STEWARDSHIP GRANT PROGRAM

## APPLICANT

City of Hyattsville

## PROJECT

Melrose Trail Rain Gardens

## GRANT AMOUNT

\$20,431

## PROJECT SUMMARY

In 2015, the City of Hyattsville (the City) received an award to install over 2,000 square feet of rain garden and conservation landscaping at the Melrose Park Trail.

The rain garden and conservation landscaping, as well as a meadow planting, were installed to help slow down and filter stormwater runoff and provide wildlife habitat. The Best Management Practices (BMPs) will cumulatively be treating runoff from about 13,000 square feet of impervious surface.

Local residents came out to help plant the site and learned about the importance of stormwater

management. In addition to this hands-on engagement, the City also sought to create a future gathering space for the community. A sitting wall, bench seating, accent boulders, and stone stepping path through the planted areas were installed for visitors. A pet waste station was added nearby to encourage proper disposal of pet waste and educational signage was installed to identify the BMPs and describe their function.

Ultimately, the City's objective is for this project site to be used as an educational tool and demonstration site for functional BMPs that support local wildlife and serve as an inviting green space.

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