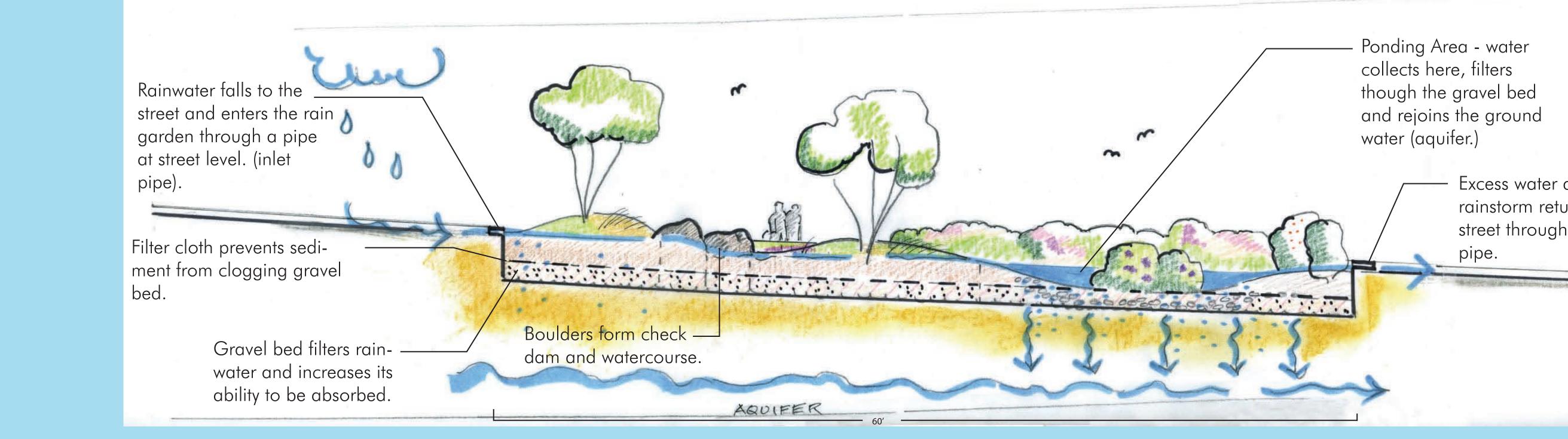
Raingardens for a Healthy Watershed

Raingardens are easy to create. They do an important job in retaining and cleansing rainwater when it runs off our city streets

A raingarden can be a spot of green in an otherwise dry and hot city street. It can do a big job in keeping our ecosystem healthy.



THE BED is lined with gravel to filter the water. The gravel base has air and space where the water can be stored and then filtered slowly into the ground



Raingardens filter and cool stormwater.



Planting a Raingarden

Planting for a Healthy Community Baltimore Medical System, Inc.

THE PLANTS around the edges are grasses which are drought tolerant. Those in the center, where the water "ponds" are moisture loving, such as inkberry

DURING RAINSTORMS the plants keep water from eroding the valuable soil in the garden.



Even in winter, raingardens provide structure



3700 Fleet Street



Excess water during a rainstorm returns to street through an exit



Raingarden in bloom



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