



# Washtenaw County Conservation District

## APRIL CONSERVATION UPDATE

*Your Source for Conservation News in Washtenaw County*

Native Plant  Expo & Marketplace



Saturday, May 30th from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Washtenaw County Farm Council  
Grounds (5055 Ann Arbor-Saline Rd, Ann Arbor, MI 48103)

## Join Us for the Second Annual Native Plant Expo & Marketplace

The Native Plant Expo & Marketplace offers residents one convenient location to shop for Michigan native plants from several Michigan native plant growers, learn how to establish and maintain native landscapes and connect with companies specializing in planning native landscapes.

For an updated list of 2020 vendors, please visit our [website](#).

### Join Special Guest:

Author Brenda Dziedzic to speak on:

**"Growing Native Plants that Our Caterpillars, Butterflies and Moths Need"**

Ms. Dziedzic is author of [Raising Butterflies in the Garden](#)

Pre-Order Native Plants for Pick up

Currently plans have not changed to proceed with the **Native Plant Expo & Marketplace (as well as native plant distribution) on May 30th**. The Board will be closely monitoring the situation and will update customers if anything changes in regards to native plants.

**With Generous Support from our Partners:**



## Pesticide Review Class Postponed

The Pesticide Review class scheduled for April 15th has been postponed. No date has been confirmed at this time but will be posted when one has been decided upon. We are sorry for the inconvenience.



[In My Backyard](#)

## Part 6: Victory Gardens

This installment was supposed to be about sharing my goals with all of you and explaining how I came to those goals. Well a lot has changed since then. With daycare closed, I'm now home watching my one year old son, while my wife continues her work in our, heavily taxed, healthcare system. This leaves me just a few hours a day to dedicate to my job.

However, I thought it especially important to put out this article, not about my goals, but about Victory Gardens.

## Virtual Gardening Conversations

Michigan State University Extension is hosting a series webinars over Zoom for those gardeners itching to get outside amidst the stay at home order. There is something here for everyone, from the advanced to the beginner.

The meetings started Friday, April 3rd, began at 10am, and last about 45 minutes. The first meeting was about seed saving while the second was all about house plant care. Though short, they are packed with valuable information. The meetings are running indefinitely and are absolutely free to join. Follow this [link for more information](#).

## Order Rain Barrels & Accessories Now

All rain barrels, accessories can be pre-ordered now. Pick-up from the District office (7203 Jackson Rd, Ann Arbor, MI 48103) **must be arranged with the Manager: [megan.deleeuw@macd.org](mailto:megan.deleeuw@macd.org)**. We ask for 24 hours to have the barrel ready for pick up!



## Stock Your Pond For 2020

Pre-order form below linked below. Pick-up your fish :  
Saturday, May 30th from 12 p.m. - 3 p.m. at the Farm Council  
Grounds (5055 Ann Arbor-Saline Rd)

[Order Form](#)





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