



## It's Almost Time to Roll Out the Barrels

The Athens-Clarke County Stormwater Management Program and ACC Water Conservation Office will co-host the eighth annual Roll Out the Barrels fundraiser on Thursday, May 24 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Akademia Brewing Company (150 Crane Drive). The event will feature a silent auction of 19 rain barrels painted by local artists, hors d'oeuvres, and live music from the Hot Fire String Band. Roll Out the Barrels raises money to support the ACC Green Schools Program, an initiative that encourages environmental education in Athens-Clarke County schools.

Water pollution is a serious problem in Athens-Clarke County and green infrastructure, such as rain barrels and other rain harvesters, are an important component in addressing that problem. Rain barrels are easy-to-install and can be used to protect water by both reducing runoff and reducing the need to pull from city water supplies for lawn-care and car washing.

For more information about the event, visit [rolloutthebarrels.org](http://rolloutthebarrels.org) [<mailto:rolloutthebarrels.org>]. Follow Athens-Clarke County Stormwater (@StormwaterACC) on Facebook to view the barrels and vote on your favorite, and we hope to see you at Akademia on May 24!

## National Public Works Week 2018

Athens-Clarke County will be celebrating National Public Works Week from May 20 to May 26. This week, sponsored by the [American Public Works Association](https://www.apwa.net/) [https://www.apwa.net/] (APWA), is meant to celebrate the tens and thousands of men and women across North America who provide and maintain the infrastructure and services collectively known as public works. Public Works professionals use this week to energize and educate the public on

the importance of public works to their daily lives: planning, building, managing and operating at the heart of their local communities to improve everyday quality of life. In Athens, “public works” includes our Streets and Drainage Division, Traffic Engineering Division, Engineering Division, Stormwater Management Program, Landscape Management Division, Fleet Management Division, Public Utilities Department, Solid Waste Department, and Athens Transit services.

In honor of Public Works Week, Athens-Clarke County Unified Government is sponsoring a Rolling Truck Tour where public works trucks and equipment will travel to local schools, including Alps Road Elementary, Barnett Shoals Elementary, J.J. Harris Elementary, Chase Street Elementary, Cleveland Road Elementary, Oglethorpe Avenue Elementary, Fowler Drive Elementary, St. Joseph Catholic School, and Kaleidoscope Montessori School. Students will get to see, hear, and touch the trucks, as well as learn about the hardworking individuals who operate them.



*Public Works in Action:  
Replacing a stormwater  
pipe*



*Public Works in Action: A  
piece of Kubota equipment  
removing old infrastructure*



*Public Works in Action:  
Clearing a drainage ditch*

## Upcoming Events

### Winterville Marigold Festival

**Saturday, May 12, 9:00am-5:00pm  
Pittard Park (125 N. Church Street)**

The Winterville Marigold Festival began over 30 years ago as a way to beautify and renovate the town and for the purpose of promoting friendship. Each year, the festival features juried arts and crafts, barbecue and other food vendors, dancing and entertainment in the park, the Marigold 10K, parade, and other events. ACC Stormwater will host their own booth in the “EcoVillage” to give out information about the program, volunteer opportunities, and other upcoming events.

### Roll Out the Barrels

**Thursday, May 24, 6:00pm – 9:00pm  
Akademia Brewing Company (150 Crane Drive)**

Enjoy functional art and support sustainability at the eighth annual Roll Out the Barrels! The event will feature a silent auction of barrels painted by 19 local artists, hors d’oeuvres, and live music.

The family-friendly event is hosted by the Athens-Clarke County Stormwater Management Program and Water Conservation Office with support from Keep Athens-Clarke County Beautiful, Athens Paint and Body, and Akademia Brewing Company. Proceeds benefit the ACC Green Schools Program.


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Call the Stormwater Hotline at 706-614-1282 if you see someone dumping into a storm drain or notice flooding due to clogged drains or pipes.

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