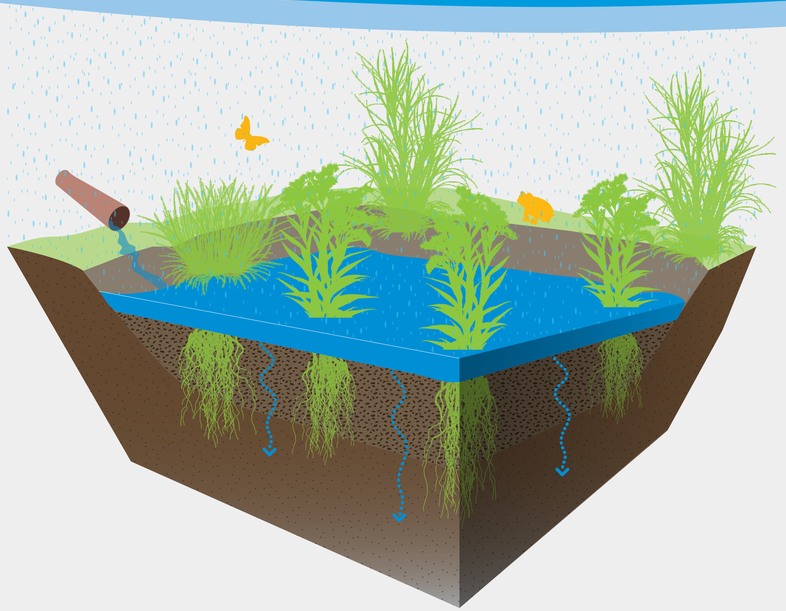
A Garden That Fights Pollution

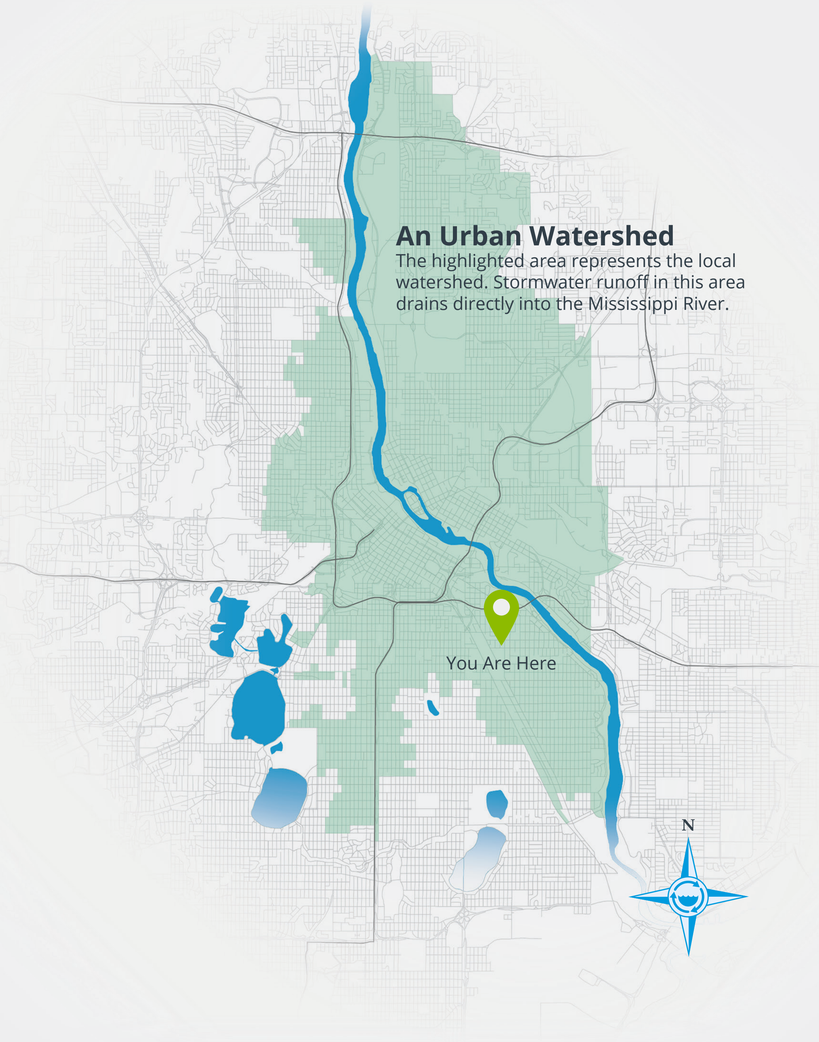
This raingarden keeps dirty runoff out of the Mississippi River



Raingarden

A raingarden is a depressed (bowl-shaped) garden with sandy soils and deep-rooted native plants. Raingardens act like natural filters, capturing dirty stormwater runoff and letting it soak into the ground, where the soils trap and remove harmful pollutants.

In addition to managing stormwater runoff, raingardens provide beneficial habitat for pollinators and other wildlife.



Native Plant Examples

Blue Flag Iris

Prairie Blazing Star

Swamp Milkweed

Butterfly Milkweed

Ruby Star Coneflower

'Little Joe' Dwarf Joe Pye Weed

Mardi Gras Sneezeweed

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