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Over 100 Rain Barrels distributed in Charles County

(Charles County) Barrels by the Bay, a non-profit organization dedicated in educating individuals about our world's water resources, will distribute over 100 rain barrels today for its Potomac Project. Families in Charles County and teachers in Charles County schools registered to participate in the program. The Potomac Project gives individuals of all ages the opportunity to learn more about the local water resources and how stormwater runoff concerns can be minimized through rain barrels. These barrels are recycled Coca-Cola syrup barrels that have been converted into rain barrels and will be painted by the over 500 participants in Charles County this fall. All barrels will be installed into local infrastructure to help with stormwater runoff.

"The Barrels by the Bay team is excited partner with the Chesapeake Bay Trust, Charles County Office of Sustainability, and Coca-Cola Bottling Co. Consolidated to bring our program to Charles County families and schools," said Barrels by the Bay Founder and President, Megan Rosenberger. Megan is a native of Natrona Heights, PA and founded Barrels by the Bay in 2015 while she attends the United States Naval Academy. "The Potomac River is an important component of this region, and our priority is ensuring that the next generation understands this importance as well," said Dr. Elizabeth Rosenberger, Barrels by the Bay Executive Director.

Each of the participants participating will be provided all painting, education, and installation materials needed for the project. The Barrels by the Bay Potomac Project is sponsored by Chesapeake Bay Trust, Charles County Office of Sustainability, and Coca-Cola Bottling Co. Consolidated. Teachers will pick-up all materials at Coca-Cola La Plata (400 Charles Street, La Plata, MD) on Friday, October 7 from 3PM to 5:30PM.

Please visit www.barrelsbythebay.org to learn more about the Barrels by the Bay Programs.

About Barrels by the Bay

Barrels by the Bay is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to educate individuals about world's water resources. Barrels by the Bay is a 501(c)(3) organization founded in March 2015 by Megan Rosenberger, a native of Natrona Heights, PA who is studying at the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland. The Potomac Project marks the fifth school program. For more information about Barrels by the Bay, visit www.barrelsbythebay.org. Follow us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/barrelsbythebay, Twitter www.twitter.com/barrelsbythebay and www.instagram.com/barrelsbythebay.

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