Howard County Maryland Watershed Stewards Academy
http://howardwsa.org/

The following information is quoted from the Howard County [Maryland] Chapter of the Metropolitan Baltimore Watershed Stewards Academy. It is provided for Howard County MD citizens who are interested in volunteering to become actively involved in local watershed “protection, restoration and conservation”.

The Howard County [Maryland] Academy was developed by the Howard County Government, Columbia Association, Center for Watershed Protection, University of Maryland Extension Howard County and Howard County Legacy Leadership Institute for the Environment.

“What Is the Watershed Stewards Academy?”

The Howard County Chapter of the Metropolitan Baltimore Watershed Stewards Academy is a 15-class course that trains, supports and empowers community leaders to serve as Master Watershed Stewards in the protection, restoration and conservation of Howard County watersheds.

Master Watershed Stewards Will:

- learn best management techniques to reduce pollution at its source and "slow the flow" of stormwater from neighborhood watersheds into local streams;
- use their new skills to implement "Capstone Projects," such as rain gardens and rain barrels;
- educate the public about the need to prevent stormwater pollution;
- engage and educate a wide range of citizens in critical water quality improvement projects;
- serve as a resource for family, friends and the community on actions they can take to improve their watersheds; and
- receive technical support from a consortium of professionals on design, implementation and fundraising for Capstone Projects (to be completed 6-8 months after the final formal course).“

Interested in Becoming a Howard County Master Watershed Steward?

For further information:
Howard County Watershed Stewards Academy  http://howardwsa.org/
University of Maryland Extension http://extension.umd.edu/watershed/watershed-stewards-academy

For an application:
http://howardwsa.org/about-us/application-information/