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## **Drainage Solutions**



#### DON'T LET APRIL SHOWERS DAMPEN YOUR SPIRIT

April showers bring May flowers...and sometimes a bit more water than your property can handle. Excessive rain can be a cause for anxiety when the water isn't draining properly and creating a mud bath in the yard, or sometimes even seeping into your home or garage. Flooding isn't just an inconvenience; it can damage your foundation, harm your plants, and create a breeding ground for those pesky mosquitos. Proper drainage allows excess water to flow away from your home and yard, preventing these issues and protecting your investment.

Time to take care of improper drainage issues that are wreaking havoc on your property and your outdoor lifestyle. The type of drainage solution required is based on

the issue at hand.

**Surface Drainage** - rainwater is redirected by created swales that cause the water to flow down and away from the flooded area.

**Turf Drainage** - installed under lawns that are constantly soggy, or to make them more usable for children playing and parties.

**Channel Drains** - corrects pooling water on impervious surfaces like driveways, collecting it under the pavement and away from the home and garage.

**French Drains** - solves flooding around the yard and home by creating a trench that carries excess water down and away from the over-saturated area.

**Yard Drains** - collects water from planting beds, lawn, or hardscapes to carry it away to more desirable areas or into municipal systems as allowed.

**Dry Wells** - this underground catchment system collects rainwater and then slowly disperses it into the soil in amounts the soil type can properly percolate.

**Drain Line Scoping** - see what is going on with an existing drainage system to see why and where a clog or break might be to fix it quick with minimal damage to the landscape.

Want to mask the utilitarian purpose of your dry well? Place a water feature atop your catchment system and turn your excess rainwater into a soothing garden element. Worried about your French drain being an eyesore? Plant a garden around it and enjoy the beauty and fragrance of your favorite blooms.

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## **Garden Stewardship**

This week our team will be focused on the following maintenance service:

Seeding Spring cleanup Spring annuals installation



### **Plant Health Care**

Our team will be performing the following services this week as weather permits:

Rose care Turf fertilization Animal repellent

## **Contact Information**

Feel free to contact your Designer, Client Steward, or PHC Technician directly with any questions or requests for service. Or contact our office 847/549-1361, Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm.

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