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FOR INFORMATION CALL

October 21, 2016

Ald. Ashanti Hamilton
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Rain garden installation is Saturday in Milwaukee's Garden Homes Park

Alderman Ashanti Hamilton is excited to invite residents of Milwaukee's historic Garden Homes neighborhood to help install a community rain garden **tomorrow, October 22.**

The rain garden will help manage water where it falls, bring community members together and beautify Garden Homes Park, Alderman Hamilton said. When it's completed, the rain garden will also feature balance beams for children to walk across and examine plants, along with hand-painted stones surrounding the garden. Help is needed to plant the rain garden and paint cobblestones. Lunch will be provided.

"In my experience, the best neighborhood amenities are the ones in which every resident has a stake," Alderman Hamilton said. "By pulling together to build this rain garden, Garden Homes residents are creating an asset that will benefit the area for years."

The project is a part of the effort to "Restore the Soul of Garden Homes," a nationally- and locally-recognized historic district. Partners include the 30th Street Industrial Corridor, Alpha & Omega Ministries, Clean Wisconsin, Crossing Jordan Ministries, the Garden Homes Neighborhood Association, New Hope Baptist Church, Northwest Side CDC, the Office of Violence Prevention, Running Rebels, the Safe Zone Initiative and Uniting Garden Homes, Inc. The project is sponsored by the Argosy Foundation and the City of Milwaukee's Neighborhood Improvement Development Corporation.

What: Rain garden installation

**When: 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 22**

Where: 2600 W. Atkinson Ave.