## What YOU can do.

PROTECT THE STORM DRAIN. Whether you are washing your car or mowing your grass, keep in mind what ends up in the road can end up in the river. Concerns about Illegal dumping can be reported by calling the city at 574-534-2201.

PICK UP YOUR DOG'S POO. Whether you are on the bike path or in your yard, poo flows downhill when it rains. When you pick it up, it cannot enter the storm drain or the river. No one wants to kayak in polluted water. A mouthful of that can make you sick.

SINSTALL A RAIN BARREL.
Capturing and using rainwater reduces runoff from your property.
This protects the health of the rivers and allows you to use that rainwater as a resource.

PLANT A RAIN GARDEN. Like rain barrels, rain gardens help to capture and slow the water, allowing more of it to seep into the ground. Native plants capture the most water, provide habitat for wildlife, and are adapted to Indiana, requiring little or no watering.

Contact Us. For more ideas, resources, volunteer opportunities, and ways to keep the rivers clean call 574-534-2201 or visit our website www.goshenindiana.org/stormwatermanagement.

## We are all connected to the river.

Each artist created a different design to remind us of our connection to the water, some are beautiful, some whimsical, and some are based on great adventures.

Take a walk. There are eight painted storm drains on the walking tour. The walk is a approximately one mile, starting at the Goshen Public Library, 601 S. 5<sup>th</sup> St., and ending at the Farmer's Market, 212 W. Washington St.

## **Storm Drain Art**



We are all connected to the water. Many people do not know that all of the stormwater in Goshen ends up in the Elkhart River, either directly piped, or through the wastewater treatment plant. That means that everything dropping on our roads, parking lots, or piped into a storm drain may pollute our river.



