



Surfrider Foundation's Ocean Friendly Gardens (OFG) Program

"Be a part of the solution, not the pollution"

Sustainable Landscape Classes & Assistance

1. The concept - Ocean Friendly Gardens (OFG) & parkways utilize CPR® for the garden to prevent wet & dry-weather runoff:

- **C**onservation of (a) water, (b) fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides (water pollutants), (c) energy (moving water around the state is the #1 user of electricity), (d) and gas-powered machinery (air pollutants) through use of native & and climate adapted plants.
- **P**ermeability increased – utilizing materials for a driveway, walkway and patio that allow water to percolate into the soil.
- **R**etention devices like rain gardens, rain barrels and rain chains as well as bio-swales, creek beds and dry wells.



click the above image for the OFG brochure

2. Attend a free public class

You'll learn essential info from landscape pros, receive free tools, get info on incentive programs and make good use of Surfrider's OFG blog with do-it-yourself steps: www.oceanfriendlygardens.org!
When you make changes to your landscape, we will post your before-and-after pictures.

Next class:

Topanga Sat., Nov. 21, 9am-12noon breakfast/lite lunch served
Location: 1315 Topanga Cyn Blvd, Topanga, 90290

Space is limited. Register today: 310-371-7222, ext. 200 or www.sbesc.com ("workshops")

Note: OFG classes are offered to residents in the following cities (though Surfrider members and volunteers who don't live there won't be turned away): *Carson, Culver City, El Segundo, Gardena, Hawthorne, Hermosa Beach, Inglewood, Lawndale, Lomita, Malibu, Manhattan Beach, Palos Verdes Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes, Redondo Beach, Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates, West Hollywood, Torrance, and several unincorporated communities in LA County (Topanga, Baldwin Hills, Athens.)*

3. Garden Assistance Program (GAP) – volunteer!

The GAP is a hands-on program, applying what you learn in the OFG workshop to people's landscapes - then you can go home and apply it to your landscape. We ask those we help to do their "homework" – create a design, acquire materials, invite neighbors and friend, provide lunch - as well as work with us to help others when we're done at their home. See the blog for more details. Volunteer with a Surfrider Chapter OFG GAP by contacting OFG Program Coordinator Paul Herzog: pherzog@surfrider.org, 310-439-2500.

