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You could whack your downspout up a couple feet and have it spill into a large flower pot with holes in the bottom and filled with fine limestone gravel. This will give you good retention time and be easy to maintain. Just stir up the stone periodically and hose out with clean water. That should knock off any mineral armoring that has taken place and flush out the dirt and debris.

The smaller the stone the better buffering you will get due to increased surface area in contact with the water and increased retention time. Just remember that the finer the stone, the more it will need maintained due to the pore spaces being clogged by dirt, debris and mineral precipitation more readily.