The DCV is committed to bringing

with a wide variety of green options whenever possible. Our dedication to being an eco-friendly office became

carrying the latest green products. Today we always consider the more eco-friendly option when selecting

new products. We recognize that

a part of every-day business.

Forty – two years ago, Earth Day was

established to create awareness and

Earth day over the years has evolved into

Earth Week and even Earth Month making

April the month to celebrate our increasing

appreciation of our precious and increasingly fragile planet.

awareness of the environment.

issues our earth is facing.

Six million Canadians join one billion

people in over 170 countries to honour Mother Earth by staging events and

projects to address the many complex

green is not just a trendy word, but something that is understood to be



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How down to **earth** are you?

Play our **Earth Day trivia conte**



Play our **Earth Day trivia contest** and enter to win an environmentally friendly prize!

1) When was the first Earth Day celebrated?

- a) March 21, 1970
- b) April 22, 1970
- c) May 21, 1970
- d) June 31, 1970

2) The world's first national park was started in 1872 in which country?

- a) Corbett National Park in India
- b) Beacon Hill Park in Canada
- c) Ordesa National Park in Spain
- d) Yellowstone National Park in U.S.

3) Which household appliance uses the most energy?

- a) Refridgerator
- b) Flat Iron
- c) Dishwasher
- d) Washing Machine

- 4) What Country has the greatest number of coal powered generators?
- a) Canada
- b) Russia
- c) U.S.A.
- d) China

5) Which is the highest waterfall in the world?

- a) Niagara
- b) Angel
- c) Goldstream Trestle
- d) Iguazu

Email you answers to:

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for your chance to win!

Nearly every school child in Canada takes part in an earth day activity. Building awareness from an early age ensures our children have a deep sense of being connected to the environment surrounding them.



The DCV Green Tote Program



The DCV green tote program began as a way to improve our sustainability. While cardboard shipping boxes are reusable and recyclable, they only last so long. The DCV realized that using green bins for shipments within Victoria is much more eco-friendly. Pairing with BC Mail Plus, the program was launched in March 2009 and continues to be a big success. It's our way of contributing to a greener workplace and still maintains quality service for our customers. If your office isn't currently participating, but would like to join, please contact Wendy.Charlton@gov.bc.ca and soon reusable green totes will be arriving at your desk! To help with the program's success, please make sure the bins get back to the DCV by dropping them off at your BC Mail designated collection point.

Thank you for helping us continue to make a difference every day.



What better way to celebrate **EARTH DAY** than to plant a tree... a cupcake tree, that is!

How to plant a cupcake tree

You will need:

- Green foil baking cups
- Frosted cupcakes
- Oreo cookie crumbs
- Pretzel sticks

- Marshmallows
- Green sugar sprinkles
- Sequin sprinkles

You will need:

- 1. Bake and frost cupcakes with chocolate frosting use green foil baking cups
- 2. Roll cupcake frosting in the cookie crumbs to form "dirt" top
- 3. Cut marshmallow in half width wise, push pretzel stick through bottom
- 4. Dip marshmallow in water, shake off excess and roll in green sprinkles coating entire marshmallow. Place on paper towel to dry
- 5. Plant your "tree" by pushing end into the cupcake
- 6. Decorate your tree with your choice of coloured sequins

"The more we think and act as the Earth's Trustees, the more we will see and do the things that will eliminate pollution, poverty, injustice and conflict-violence, war."

John McConnel - Earth Day founder

Earth Week Event

On Tuesday April 16, Distribution Centre Victoria (DCV) will be at the Ministry of Transportation in the lobby at 940 Blanshard from 10 am to 2 pm to showcase some of our latest and greatest in green merchandise.

If you work in the Victoria area be sure to stop by, say hi and check out the display. If you see something you like that day, you can go to www.dcv.gov.bc.ca to make it your very own! Besides ordering for the office and paying on account, government employees can purchase any of these items for personal use and pay by credit card at checkout. Customers may want to go directly to our "Go Green" section where they will find eco-friendly products.

Each purchasing decision we make has an impact on our environment. DCV is committed to sourcing and providing its clients with many eco-friendly alternatives. Currently, DCV stocks over 700 environmentally sustainable products.



Green Featured Products



Desktop Mini Trash Can

Why not green up your office by using this mini trash can for your compostable goods at work? It's 100% recycled plastic and holds up to 1.5 L.

Product #: 7520042002 Price: \$4.25



Desktop Pad Organizer

The clear flip-up cover is ideal for storing notes, reference lists, directions and photos. The non-slip base, made of 80% post-consumer material, is from tire rubber and thermoplastics making it a truly green product.

Product #: 7520366006 Price: \$17.59



Kleenearth Letter Opener

This stainless steel letter opener with Microban antimicrobial protection fights stain and odour causing bacteria. The handle is made from 70% recycled plastic and has a 10 year warranty.

Product #: <u>7520367024</u> Price: \$3.30



Mother's Day

Sunday May 12th

Make sure you check out the DCV's newsletter next month for some great Mother's Day gift ideas!



Sustainable... Eco-Friendly...

Recycled

Feel **good** about your next purchase.





Bamboo Coasters - Perfect for the patio

Set of four bamboo coasters with an etched design titled "Eagle". Bamboo is the fastest growing plant on Earth, making the coaster set a very eco-friendly gift. Each coaster measures 11 x 11 centimetres.

Product #: 9999840762 Price: \$18.95



Bamboo Salad Hands - add style to any meal

These unique bamboo servers are perfect for any salads or pastas that you create for your table. The salad hands have a smooth finish, are engraved with a Native bear design and are ergonomically correct.

Product #: 9999840637 Price: \$16.95



Box with Bronze Face Design

A striking box designed by BC artist Mark Garfield. Mark was born and raised on the West Coast of British Columbia and makes many beautiful Aboriginal pieces out of sustainable materials. This crescent-shaped box is made in Vancouver from recycled glass and bronze.

Product #: <u>9999840191</u> Price: \$39.95



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