



## #ShopLocal #SupportLocal

2021 is all about #SupportingLocal!!! As a locally owned and operated business ourselves, ECCO Recycling. is showcasing a different local business every month with a draw at our location on 24th Street SE AND on our **NEW** and **IMPROVED** Facebook Page to give our clients some great prizes throughout the year!

Like us on our [Facebook](#) page and get even more chances to win. We will also use our page to provide real-time updated on weather, road conditions at our sites and any advisories our clients need to know right away!

## SPRING IS HERE!!!

Spring is here and everyone is itching to get outside and breath some fresh air;

You would be AMAZED at the amount of walking trails, green spaces and camping in our area!

ECCO Recycling has put together a list of links to help you make the MOST of this spring while we all wait "patiently" for life to get "back to normal".

- All Trails App (Android/Apple) - FREE - 100's of walking trails in and around Calgary
- ToDoCanada.com - [20+ Free Must Visit Places in Alberta](#)
- Road Trip Alberta - [100+ Best Things To Do in Alberta](#)
- AMA Travel - [Things to do in Southern Alberta](#)
- Alberta Parks - [Campgrounds](#) - Let Get those RV's out there!!!



## It All Starts with Education



ECCO Recycling is a proud sponsor of Green Calgary's "Waste in Our World" education program since 2017 . ECCO's sponsorship aims to provide subsidies to schools, so all requests for Green Calgary's hands-on presentations on waste diversion can be accommodated regardless of ability to pay. As a result of ECCO's sponsorship, in 2018-2019 Green Calgary was "able to help over 2,500 Calgary students in 81 programs!"

"WASTE IN OUR WORLD offers children the chance to work cooperatively to build a model landfill and use it to look at ways to divert waste and make our landfills safer for the environment. This is an inquiry-based opportunity that fully engages participants in hands-on learning and incorporates several cross-curricular competencies."

(Green Calgary - <https://www.greencalgary.org/green-kids/waste-our-world>)

Click [here](#) to learn more about Green Calgary's "Waste in our World" program as well as the other great education tools you and your kids can use at home!



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# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ECCO?

## BALZAC



### **Balzac Location Opening SOON!**

We are excited to announce we are expecting our sorting and processing equipment for our new Balzac Location to arrive this month!

ECCO's new location will accept a variety of waste and recycling materials for sorting and processing, including; C&D, cardboard, plastic, Single Stream Recycling (SSR), wood, pallets and so much more. The new facility in Balzac is easily accessed from main thoroughfares such as Deerfoot or Stoney Trail (via Dwight McLellan Trail), providing our valued clients with a convenient new option for waste and recycling near Cross Iron Mills

## ALDERSYDE



### **ECCO Chips moving to Aldersyde**

ECCO CHIPS operation is moving to Aldersyde very soon. The automated bagging system is installed, we planted 166 trees, and landscaped the entrance including trees, rocks, and wrought iron gates. The property includes 2 new buildings, and 2 bagging lines, capable of producing a combined 180 metric tonnes of recycled wood each day (18,000 bags of mulch a day)!

ECCO Chips uses 100% organic dye, made from vegetable and minerals to create our vibrant ECCO Chips colours, Charcoal, Chocolate Brown and Red Brick.

## Could we BEE anymore excited about Spring?

ECCO is excited as we get ready for BEE Season!!! Our ECCO Bees worked hard last year giving us over 430lbs of all natural honey! We were able to share the honey with our clients, employees, and food banks. ECCO understands how important bees are to the environment, and we make sure to place their hives in areas with lots of vegetation as well as planting wildflowers around the hives so the bees have a readily accessed food source. We have 5 hive colonies located in Southern Alberta, and with spring just around the corner, it is time for them to start waking up.



### **FUN FACTS ABOUT BEES:**

- Each bee can carry half their body weight in pollen; the bees collect and store the pollen on the hair receptacles located on their hind legs, like a little pollen basket between the bees tibia and femur.
- Pollen is a source of protein and is needed to feed baby bees to help them grow.
- Honey was found in the tombs in Egypt and was still edible!! Honey has natural preservatives and bacteria cant grow in honey.
- A bee has to collect nectar from almost 2 MILLION flowers to make 1 pound of honey!
- Every 3rd mouthful of food we eat is produced by bees pollinating crops! EVERY THIRD BITE!!!

