

2016 **Eco** Calendar



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Manitoba Eco Calendar

A component of Green Manitoba's education and outreach program, the Manitoba EcoCalendar promotes positive behaviour changes by providing easy and convenient access to sustainable living ideas in a 12-month calendar that is free to the public.

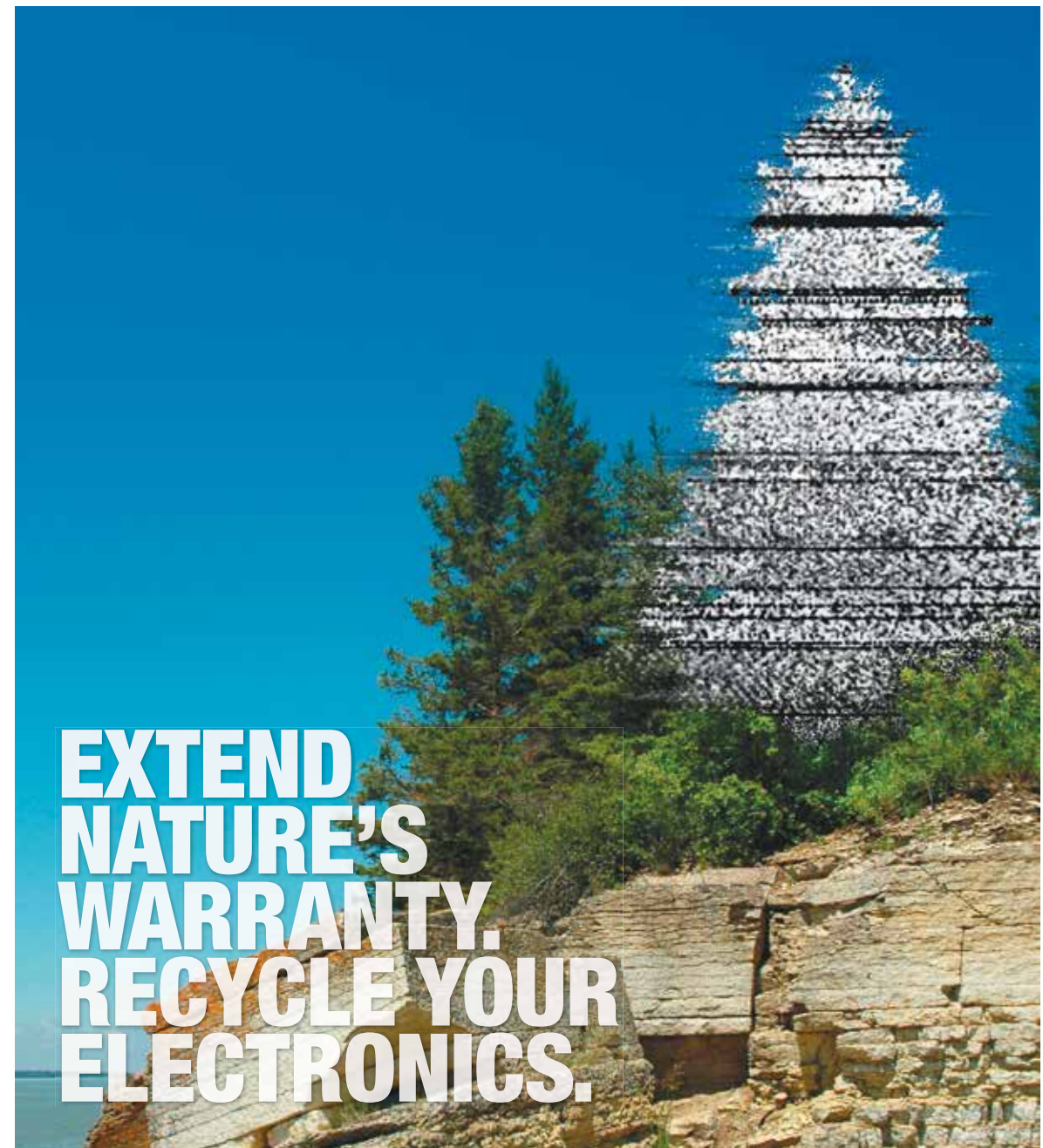
The calendar creates awareness around recycling, waste minimization, energy efficiency, water stewardship and climate change in Manitoba. It provides information on low- and no-cost green shifts and encourages Manitobans to live more sustainably by highlighting simple ways to help protect the environment at home, work and play.

The calendar's full-page monthly layouts make it practical for scheduling appointments, meetings and family activities. In addition to featuring local, national and international environmental events, the Manitoba EcoCalendar includes Manitoba-specific holidays, such as Manitoba Day and Louis Riel Day, as well as all major Canadian holidays.

Since 2009, over half a million calendars have been produced and distributed to communities of all sizes in Manitoba.

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This document is 100% recyclable.



Committing to our planet's future means properly recycling our electronics of the past. That's why the EPRA works to keep over 15 million devices out of Canadian landfills every year through convenient and regulated e-recycling programs. Plus, recovered materials go back into the manufacturing supply chain so that fewer natural resources are required. Find out how to safely and securely recycle your electronics now. Nature's warranty is counting on it.

Find out what you can recycle and where, at:

recycleMYelectronics.ca/mb

This program is funded through Environmental Handling Fees that are applicable to new electronic products sold in the province.





Be Part of Manitoba's Green Future

We all have a role to play in making better environmental choices, modifying our lifestyles and becoming better caretakers of Manitoba's water, air and land.



As a "living document", Manitoba will move forward with the strategies outlined in TomorrowNow and strive to meet the needs of Manitoba as the process evolves. Manitobans can stay informed about the achievements under the plan through report cards that will be released every two years at manitoba.ca/conservation/tomorrownowgreenplan



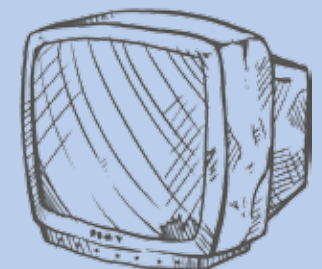


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JANUARY 2016

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KEEP IT GREEN! Old electronics are not trash. Bring them to an EPRA Manitoba drop-off location for responsible recycling. Visit www.recycleMYelectronics.ca/mb for a location near you.

DID YOU KNOW that when you bring your old, unusable electronics to an EPRA Manitoba drop-off location, you're helping to keep them out of landfills and prevent them from being illegally exported or handled by irresponsible recyclers. Visit www.recycleMYelectronics.ca/mb for a drop-off location near you.



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FEBRUARY 2016

ECO TIPS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 Groundhog Day World Wetlands Day	3	4	5 National Sweater Day	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 Winter Family Fishing Weekend
14 Valentine's Day	15 Louis Riel Day	16	17	18	19	20
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DID YOU KNOW that old electronics contain metals, glass and plastic that can be turned into raw materials for the manufacturing of new products? E-recycling helps protect the environment today and for tomorrow. Visit www.recycleMYelectronics.ca/mb for a drop-off location near you.

IF YOUR MUNICIPALITY has a yard waste or composting collection program, be sure to put only acceptable materials out for collection. Unacceptable materials will contaminate the finished compost and can damage the processing equipment.

JANUARY 2016

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MARCH 2016

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13 Daylight Saving Time Starts	14	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19 Earth Hour
20 First Day of Spring	21 World Forestry Day	22 World Water Day	23 World Meteorological Day	24	25 Good Friday	26
27 Easter Sunday	28 Easter Monday	29	30	31		



OPTIMIZE YOUR ENERGY SAVINGS

Switching your older mercury containing thermostat for a new programmable model can reduce household heating costs by up to 10%. Looking for a place to recycle your old thermostat? Look no further, HRAI's Thermostat Recovery Program - Switch the 'Stat responsibly recycles old thermostats for free! Learn more at switchthestat.ca



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APRIL 2016

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10 National Wildlife Week	11	12	13	☾ 14	15	16
17	18 International Day for Monuments and Sites	19	20	21	22 Earth Day	○ 23
24	25	26	27	28	29	☾ 30



TO STORE PAINT for re-use, clean the rim for a good seal, and then pour 3mm of paint thinner on top of oil-based paint, or 3mm of water on latex paint. Or, store container upside down.

DID YOU KNOW that the majority of water-based household paint that comes through the Paint Recycle program gets repurposed as recycled paint?

DO YOUR PART B.U.D. Buy only what you need. Use what you buy. Drop off any leftovers for recycling.



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MAY 2016

ECO TIPS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 International Compost Awareness Week	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 Mother's Day	9	10	11	12 Manitoba Day	13	14 International Migratory Bird Day
15 International Day of Families	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 Victoria Day	24	25	26 Manitoba Envirothon	27	28
29	30	31 Commuter Challenge Week				



PROTECT OUR WATERS

An older thermostat can contain between 2.5 to 10 grams of mercury and just 1 gram of mercury is enough to pollute an 8 hectare lake. This means it would take just over 1,000 mercury containing thermostats to pollute all of Dauphin Lake, making the fish inedible for an entire year! If you are switching your older mercury containing thermostat for a new programmable model, you can ensure that it is responsibly disposed of by recycling with the HRAI's Thermostat Recovery Program - Switch the 'Stat. Find out more at switchthestat.ca

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JUNE 2016

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5 World Environment Day	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 Canadian Rivers Day	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 Father's Day	20 First Day of Summer	21 National Aboriginal Day	22	23	24	25
26	27 Canadian Multiculturalism Day	28	29	30		



TAKING A TRIP? BEFORE YOU GO:

- ✓ Check vehicle's owner manual to locate correct tire pressure.
- ✓ Measure your tire pressure monthly or before any trip using a good quality tire gauge.
- ✓ Conduct a visual check for embedded objects that could work their way into the tire and cause a leak.
- ✓ Have your tires aligned annually.
- ✓ Tires should be balanced approximately every 20,000 km, or when drivers feel a vibration.
- ✓ Rotate your tires regularly.
- ✓ Monitor tread wear and replace tires when your tire tread is worn out.



MAKE WASTE WORK

MANITOBA COMPOSTS PROGRAM

Organic materials such as leaf and yard wastes and food waste come from a variety of sources including your own residence, grocery stores, restaurants, offices, and schools. It all adds up to a substantial amount of organic material that can be diverted from landfills to compost facilities. The Manitoba Composts program is a component of TomorrowNow – *Manitoba's Green Plan*. The new program provides the foundation for municipal and commercial composting facilities to improve organic waste management. For more information visit GREENMANITOBA.CA





**Take the initiative,
check out
our initiatives.**

Learn your A-Z's of recycling by visiting Green Manitoba's online recycling guide.
greenmanitoba.ca/a-z-list

Access the Green Building Directory – the go-to-place for green building products and services in Manitoba.
greenbuildingmb.ca

Discover how organizations and individuals are contributing to sustainability — and share your story!
msid.ca

Invite a presenter to speak at your school or business about climate change.
climatereality.ca/about/presenters



Not sure where to take your recyclables?



ManitobaEcoDepot.ca

Whether it's for a mobile phone, old tires or the paint from that reno you did last year, our new search tool will help you find the nearest depot to recycle it—anywhere in Manitoba. Now it's easy to search by location or by the type of product you want to drop off, making us your go-to recycling resource.

THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT





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JULY 2016

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31 Elm Pruning Ban Ends						



PLEASE DON'T STACK or stuff your recyclables. Just toss them loosely into your recycling cart or bin. Automated sorting machines cannot remove recyclables from paper bags or other items. Recyclables that are stacked or stuffed inside of each other may be sent to the landfill.

GRASSCYCLING, also called mulching, is simply leaving the grass clippings on the lawn after mowing. The clippings quickly dry out, decompose and disappear, recycling nutrients back into the soil and your lawn.



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AUGUST 2016

ECO TIPS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Civic Day	2	● 3	4	5	6
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14	15	16	17	18	○ 19	20
21	22	23	24	☾ 25	26	27
28	29	30 World Kitchen Garden Day	31			



NEW CELL PHONE part of your back-to-school shopping plans? Don't forget to recycle your old phone and accessories. Visit RecycleMyCell.ca to find convenient drop-off locations near you.

KEEP YOUR OLD cell phones and accessories out of landfills by recycling them. Or become a drop-off location for your community.

FIND OUT HOW at RecycleMyCell.ca Whether giving or receiving a new cell phone, don't forget to recycle your old one! Visit RecycleMyCell.ca to find convenient drop-off locations near you.

JULY 2016

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SEPTEMBER 2016

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4	5 Labour Day	6	7	8	9	10 ☾
11 Grandparents Day	12	13	14	15	16 International Ozone Day	17 ○
18	19 National Forest Week	20	21	22 First Day of Fall	23 National Tree Day	24 ☾
25	26	27	28	29	30	●



BE TIRE SMART

Properly maintained tires help a vehicle run efficiently thereby reducing greenhouse gas emissions and prolong the life of your vehicle's tires. With proper tire maintenance, the average Canadian driver could save the equivalent of two-weeks of fuel every year. As well, because tires will last longer, you could save the cost of one or two sets of tires over the life of a vehicle. Visit betiresmart.ca

RECYCLE YOUR TIRES

Every year over 13,000 tonnes of scrap tires are recycled in Manitoba. That's the equivalent of one tire for every Manitoban. Scrap tires are processed and used in environmentally responsible ways. Learn more at tirestewardshipmb.ca

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OCTOBER 2016

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2	3 World Habitat Day	4	5 Walk to School Day	6	7	8
9	10 Thanksgiving	11	12	13	14	15
16 World Food Day	17 Waste Reduction Week	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31 Hallowe'en					



OCTOBER IS CELEBRATING SUSTAINABILITY MONTH!

Gather, share and celebrate how Manitobans like you are living sustainably. Check out a full listing of events and activities at: www.sustainabilitymonth.ca

MANITOBA RECYCLES!

Manitobans recycled 77,297 tonnes of solid waste in 2014 that was also eligible for Green Manitoba's recycling rebate fees.

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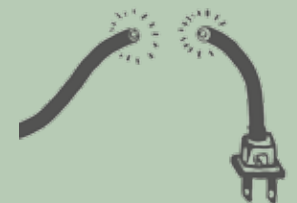


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NOVEMBER 2016

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6 Daylight Saving Time Ends	7 International Week of Science and Peace	8	9	10	11 Remembrance Day	12
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20	21	22	23	24	25	26 Buy Nothing Day
27	28	29	30			



CUT THE CORD on old, unusable electronics. Take them to an authorized EPRA Manitoba drop-off location for responsible recycling. Visit recycleMYelectronics.ca/mb for a location near you.

CLEAR THE CLUTTER Old and unusable electronics piling up at home? Take them to an EPRA Manitoba drop-off location for responsible recycling. Visit recycleMYelectronics.ca/mb for a location near you.

BE SAFE. Remember to clear your hard drives and SIM cards before recycling your old electronics. For a drop-off location near you visit RecycleMYelectronics.ca/mb

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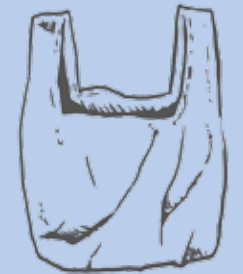


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DECEMBER 2016

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25 Christmas Day	26 Boxing Day	27	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve



IT'S IN THE BAG! – Plastic bags take up to 1,000 years to decompose in a landfill. Remember to recycle them but just not in your blue box. Return them to one of many retailers in the city with collection bins. For a full list, visit www.simplyrecycle.ca

JUST SAY NO! – Say no to unwanted flyers and reuse as much of what's left as you can. Recycling one tonne of paper saves 17 trees.

SAVE WATER AND TIME! – Recycling is now easier than ever! It's okay to leave lids and labels on your container and cleaning is only optional.



Got leftover paint, flammable liquids, pesticides or lights?

ReGeneration provides special waste recycling for free across Manitoba. For a complete list of accepted products and to find a collection site near you, visit ReGeneration.ca



 **ReGeneration.ca**
Special waste recycling by Product Care

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**When your tires
hit the end of
the road, we're
here to extend
their trip.**

To learn more about how over a million tires are recycled each year in Manitoba, visit tirestewardshipmb.ca.

 **TIRE STEWARDSHIP**
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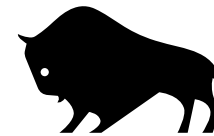


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Green Manitoba is a special operating agency within the Department of Conservation and Water Stewardship. Since inception in 2006, Green Manitoba has served as a catalyst, knowledge portal and service delivery agent for government departments and a wide range of public and private sector organizations to help create a cleaner and greener Manitoba.

Green Manitoba continues to serve as the access point for the public and private sectors to acquire information on provincial sustainability initiatives and help citizens make better sustainability decisions. Using an entrepreneurial approach, focusing on motivation, cost-effectiveness and practical solutions, Green Manitoba delivers programs and services on a cost-recovery basis to foster sustainable practices in waste reduction and greening government, and it promotes sustainability education and awareness across the province.

HAVE A QUESTION OR COMMENT?

There are many ways to contact Green Manitoba

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