More Than a Drop in a Bucket
British Columbians have done an exceptional job of recycling used motor oil (73% recovery), oil filters (98%) and oil containers (73%). But when you consider that a single litre of used oil can contaminate a million litres of ground water, it is clear that more needs to be done. Please ensure every drop of used oil, every filter and every container is brought to a collection facility during regular business hours so it can be disposed of properly.

Visit usedoilrecycling.com or call 1-800-667-4321 (604-RECYCLE in Metro Vancouver) to find the nearest collection centre. To arrange bulk pickup, call 1-866-254-0555.

Thanks, a million.
The British Columbia Used Oil Management Association (BCUOMA) is a not-for-profit organization that aims to facilitate and increase the collection, management and recycling of used oil materials in B.C. The recycling program offers British Columbians an environmentally friendly and cost-effective solution to managing used oil, oil filters and plastic oil containers.

HOW THIS PROGRAM IS FUNDED

BCUOMA has been able to maintain a cost-effective, environmentally sustainable and self-sufficient program. One of the ways we have accomplished this is through the Environmental Handling Charge (EHC), assessed on new oil, oil containers and oil filters at the first point of sale or distribution in B.C. The EHC is not a government tax, but a user-pay levy used solely to fund the collection of used oil, filters and containers (up to 30 litre capacity) at over 500 collection centres and over 4,000 other generators across the province.

WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN CHANGING THE OIL IN YOUR CAR

In most cases the first seller is passing the EHC costs down to the retailers and consumer. For example, the EHC cost for an oil change on a standard car should be in the range of $1.00 to $1.50. Should charges appear higher than the EHC outlined above, we encourage everyone to ask your service centre for clarification.

Through this initiative, we are able to help protect the environment and divert a large amount of hazardous waste from B.C. landfill sites.