

1. **PROTECT LOCAL CHARACTER AND PROSPERITY:** Duvall is unique, and our one-of-a-kind businesses are an integral part of our distinctive character. By choosing to support locally owned businesses, you help maintain Duvall's charm.
2. **COMMUNITY WELL-BEING:** Local merchants care about and invest in our community. They donate their time and part of your dollars back to local groups and charities.
3. **SAVE MONEY:** You save money by shopping at home. You drive less, save time, and you'd be surprised how often the retail prices are lower, too.
4. **PROTECT OUR SERVICES:** Dollars you spend locally support vital public services right here in Duvall.
5. **JOB AND WAGES:** Locally owned businesses create more jobs locally and, in some sectors, provide better wages and benefits than chains do. Your local purchases support local jobs.
6. **ENTREPRENEURSHIP:** Entrepreneurship fuels America's economic innovation and prosperity, and serves as a key means for families to move out of low-wage jobs and into the middle class.
7. **ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY:** Local stores help to sustain vibrant, compact, walkable town centers-which in turn are essential to reducing sprawl, automobile use, habitat loss, and air and water pollution. You can reduce your environmental impact by cutting out those drives to Redmond and Bellevue.
8. **PAY IT FORWARD EFFECT:** When you shop at one local merchant, you're supporting a whole host of other business. The businesses are buying supplies at other local businesses and eating at local restaurants.
9. **BUILD RELATIONSHIPS:** You can grow a relationship with our local merchants. They can get to know you, and cater to your preferences. Don't you love being greeted by name when you walk into a local store?
10. **LOCAL DECISION:** Making Local ownership means that important decisions are made locally by people who live in the community and who will feel the impacts of those decisions.



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There are lots of hidden gems right here.