



CITY OF GAINESVILLE

Public Works Department
Solid Waste Division

Pharmacies

On June 6, 2022, the City of Gainesville Commission approved new Zero Waste Ordinances for the City of Gainesville. The new ordinances and updates to the existing commercial recycling ordinance require your attention to ensure compliance by the effective dates.

Commercial Recycling (Already in effect)



- All commercial generators shall separate designated recycling materials and make them available for recycling (if recyclables total 15% or more of the waste stream). Recycling containers shall be accessible where the material is generated.
- **Designated Recycling Materials:** corrugated cardboard, paperboard, newspaper & magazines, office paper, metal cans (steel & aluminum), glass bottles & jars, and plastic bottles, jugs & jars.

Public Litter Receptacles (Effective: 9/2/2022)



- Place an equal number of recycling receptacles for the collection of bottles and cans next to the garbage receptacles. Receptacles must integrate labeling consisting of text and images on the body or adjacent to the opening of the container that is consistent with City provided samples provided by the Solid Waste Division.

Prescription Take Back Containers (Effective: 6/1/2023)



- Pharmacies are to provide on-site publicly accessible containers for the destruction of prescription medicines or drugs. Such containers shall be within 20 feet of the location where prescription drugs are dispensed.

For more information on these and other Zero Waste Ordinances adopted by the City of Gainesville, visit gainesvillefl.gov/ZeroWaste. To contact the City's Solid Waste Division, email waste@gainesvillefl.gov or call 352-334-2330.