

# The Gainesville Zero Waste News

## Save Money & Reduce Waste By Repairing Instead of Replacing

A great way to stretch your dollar nowadays is to repair or refurbish items instead of rushing to purchase replacements. While many repairs might be easy DIY projects, other repairs might require hiring professionals. Luckily there are numerous local vendors ready to take on your projects.

For example, reupholstering a sofa will cost significantly less than buying a new one. Seven furniture reupholstering and repair companies within the Gainesville area exist. **Below is a list of other repair services available locally.**

- Bicycles
- Dress Shoes
- Vacuum Cleaners
- Scooters
- Computer & Cell Phones
- Clothes
- Lawnmowers
- Musical Instruments
- Watches & Clocks



For a full list of local repair options, search the **Zero Waste Wizard** online at [gainesvillefl.gov/wastewizard](http://gainesvillefl.gov/wastewizard). In the end, repairing items will cost you much less than buying new things, and less material will go to landfills.

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