

# The Gainesville Zero Waste News

## The Benefits of a Lease Transition Plan for Multi-family Properties

Property managers, it's that time again—tenants are moving out, and you're left with an abundance of items tenants left behind. Coffee machines, end tables, clothes, and kitchen trashcans can quickly pile up, becoming overwhelming to manage.

However, if you've prepared a **Lease Transition Plan**, you're equipped to handle turnovers smoothly while reducing waste and saving on garbage hauling costs. *Who knew move-outs could be this easy?*



Gainesville requires Lease Transition Plans to be submitted by Multi-family Properties as part of the City's overall Zero Waste goals to minimize landfill waste by promoting the reuse and recycling of materials. Currently, each multi-family property with at least 200 units must submit a Lease Transition Plan annually to the City's Solid Waste Division, and as of January 1, 2025, this ordinance will also apply to all multi-family properties with at least 50 units.

**Each Lease Transition plan should detail how they intend to divert usable household goods, furnishings, electronics, and recyclable cardboard during high-volume move-in and move-out periods and include:**

- Notices sent to tenants with information on how and where items can be donated for reuse.
- If established, tenants should be informed about any on-site donation locations.

Property managers seeking assistance with setting up their Lease Transition Plan are encouraged to contact the City of Gainesville's Solid Waste Division or visit [gainesvillefl.gov/ZeroWaste](https://gainesvillefl.gov/ZeroWaste).

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