A sustainable community is one in which economic, social, and environmental systems provide a healthy, productive, and meaningful life for all residents, present and future.

WASTE
Emory University’s goal is to divert 95% of waste from landfills by 2025.

WHAT ABOUT PPE?
To reduce your landfill waste, choose a reusable cloth mask over single-use masks.

If you must have disposable masks, wipes, and gloves, they must be placed in the landfill bins to protect Emory’s staff and vendors.

WHERE SHOULD MY WASTE GO?
BLUE RECYCLE BINS
ALL INORGANIC material (e.g. chip bags, snack wrappers, plastic utensils, plastic film, plastic & foil containers that have very little food on them).

GREEN COMPOST BINS
ALL ORGANIC material (e.g. food, used napkins & tissues, and “compostables” such as GREEN utensils & paper to-go containers from Emory Dining locations).

BLACK LANDFILL BINS
Only food grade styrofoam, disposable masks, sanitary wipes, disposable gloves, used baby diapers, cat litter and dog waste.

STANDARD WASTE STREAMS
- PLASTICS & METALS
- MIXED PAPER
- WHITE PAPER
- COMPOST
- LANDFILL

TRANSPORTATION
SUSTAINABLE COMMUTE OPTIONS

CLIFF SHUTTLES
Shuttles are free to all riders commuting on campus. They run on biofuel made from fryer oil and grease collected from our dining facilities!

ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS
The stations are located on Clairmont Campus and at Peavine II parking deck.

BIKE EMORY
Emory offers a bike rental program, on-campus repair shop and station, and student groups that foster bike culture!

TRAIL NETWORK
Paved paths offer a safe, off-road option for cyclists and pedestrians and encourage sustainable commuting.

FOOD & DINING
On-campus dining offers nutritious, diverse, and delicious options that keep you full and support local, sustainable food systems.

EMORY DINING SUSTAINABLE FOOD PURCHASES
By 2025, Emory University aims to purchase 75% of its food from local and/or sustainable sources.

EMORY VOTES INITIATIVE
Emory Votes Initiative supports, informs, and empowers voters in the Emory community! Visit their website to learn more about the 2021 and 2022 local and national elections and registration initiatives!

EMORY’S OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES INTERNSHIP
Interns support research, benchmarking, implementation, and outreach in the OSI initiatives of energy, water, waste, green building, climate solutions, and others.

BECOME A ZERO WASTE AMBASSADOR
Join Emory community members who are actively promoting a campus culture that prioritizes reducing and diverting waste. Emory may see more disposables and PPE this year, so peer-to-peer waste education is more critical than ever.

SUSTAINABILITY & SOCIAL JUSTICE INCENTIVES FUND
Emory’s Office of Sustainability offers funding opportunities to empower the Emory community to implement new ideas and research that support foster sustainable practices.

PIEDMONT TEACHING ASSISTANT TRAINING (TATTO)
The TATTO Program allows graduate students to expand their teaching repertoire around sustainability and social justice issues.

EMORY VOTES INITIATIVE
Join the garden listserv to learn about volunteer opportunities and community pick-ups!

REGIONAL CENTRE OF EXPERTISE ON EDUCATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
Emory’s Office of Sustainability works with the OSI to support on-campus programming, webinars, and outreach in the OSI initiatives of energy, water, waste, green building, climate solutions, and others.

STUDENT SUSTAINABILITY FORUM
The Forum connects sustainability-minded organizations and individuals in a collaborative space to share information about campus and community sustainability initiatives.

GET INVOLVED
SIGN UP FOR OUR E-NEWSLETTER
VISIT OUR EVENTS CALENDAR

MAKE SURE TO VISIT
1 EMORY DINING LOCATIONS
Emory Dining serves the most local and sustainable food on campus. Click the header to explore its locations. Click here to see reopening information.

2 EMORY’S EIGHT EDUCATIONAL GARDENS
The gardens give students, staff, and faculty hands-on experience in growing their own food. Join the garden listserv to learn about volunteer opportunities and community pick-ups!

3 EMORY OXFORD COLLEGE ORGANIC FARM
The certified organic farm offers a program in which subscribers receive a box filled with a variety of fresh vegetables every week. Hop on a Cliff Shuttle to visit the farm!

4 EMORY FARMERS MARKET
Beginning on August 24th, the Emory Farmers Market is a weekly gathering held from 11 am to 1:30 pm on McDonough Plaza. The Emory Farmers Market allows consumers to support the local economy and contribute to a more robust and sustainable food system.

1 2020 GOAL

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