



The following recommendations will require enforceable policy and/or programming in order for Atlantans to realize the economic, social and environmental benefits of recycling. Sustainable Atlanta is currently working on a plan to present the final list of recommendations to Atlanta City Council and to engage the public at-large in the implementation process. Prioritization of the recommendations will be determined by a cost-benefit analysis.

- **Review** city zoning ordinances and codes to remove impediments to recycling and composting facilities within city limits.
- **Implement** a volume-based billing system for the collection of solid waste, recyclables and yard trimmings among single-family residential customers.
- **Require** all solid waste and recycling haulers to report tonnage of waste and recovered material collected within the City of Atlanta.
- **Establish** an environmental leadership and recognition program to acknowledge commercial, residential, industrial and institutional champions for material recovery, reuse and recycling efforts.
- **Develop** incentives and support services to encourage waste reduction, reuse and recycling-related businesses to locate or expand within the City of Atlanta.
- **Develop** a cost-neutral preferential green purchasing policy for City of Atlanta operations.
- **Require** that the building permitting process require the submission and approval of construction waste management and recycling plans for new construction and renovation projects.
- **Require** all commercial property owners to provide on-site recycling opportunities for commonly recycled materials for tenants and customers.
- **Establish** comprehensive drop-off sites for uncommonly recycled materials.

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