Moving is always a drag. Trying to move responsibly is even harder.

Let this GSG Responsible Mover’s Guide take the stress out of an environmentally conscious transition to or out of Atlanta.

Graduate Sustainability Group is a student-organization at Emory University.

www.emorygsg.org
Packing Supplies

Packing Boxes – buy or rent reusable recycled-plastic bins instead of cardboard to pack your things. You can save money and the boxes make great storage containers after your move:

www.bungobox.com
www.rentagreenbox.com

Biodegradable Bubble Wrap – you can take care of most of your packing needs with eco products:

www.ecobox.com

Recycle Your Packing Cardboard – if you have to use cardboard, recycle it once you are thru in your apartment, at the Emory Mail Services/Post Office located in the Dobbs University Center (DUC) on the main campus, or take all your recycling (except Styrofoam) to the Emory recycling center on Peavine Creek Road near Candler Athletics Field:

www.duc.emory.edu
www.tinyurl.com/EmoryRecycling

Cleaner Moving Trucks – if you plan to drive to Atlanta from NYC or North Carolina, consider cleaner truck options. Biodiesel and hybrid electric vehicles are more eco-friendly options:

New York – www.moversnotshakers.com
North Carolina – www.truckinmovers.com

Carbon Offset Your Move – investing in a reputable offset program can help you counteract your flight, driving and/or moving CO₂ emissions:

www.nativeenergy.com
Emory Surplus Store – get great quality bargains at Emory’s very own surplus store that exclusively caters to students, faculty, and staff:
- **Location:** 1256 Briarcliff Rd. Building B, Parking Lot J
- **Hours:** Tue/Thur: 8:30-11:30am and 1:00-3:00pm
- **Website:** [www.tinyurl.com/EmorySurplus](http://www.tinyurl.com/EmorySurplus)
- **NB:** Bring cash - the store does not take credit cards!

Atlanta Thrift Stores – full of great gems for your home:
- **Lost n Found**
  - **Location:** 2585 Chantilly Dr NE Atlanta, GA 30324
  - **Hours:** Mon/Sat, 10am-7pm; Sun 12-6pm
  - **Website:** [www.lnfy.org/thrift-store](http://www.lnfy.org/thrift-store)
- **The Salvation Army**
  - **Location:** 746 Marietta St NW Atlanta, GA 30318
  - **Hours:** Mon/Tue/Thur/Fri/Sat 10am-6pm, W 10-7pm
  - **Website:** [www.atlanta.satruck.org](http://www.atlanta.satruck.org)
- **Second Life Upscale Resale**
  - **Location:** 1 N. Clarendon Ave. Avondale Estates, GA 30002
  - **Hours:** Tue/Sat, 11am-6pm, Sun, 12-5pm
  - **Website:** [www.secondlifeatlanta.org](http://www.secondlifeatlanta.org)

**Donate Your Used Furniture, Appliances, and Clothing** - Many thrift and charity stores not only accept furniture donations, but will also pick them up from you. Visit their websites or call to arrange a pick up:
- **The Salvation Army** - 1-800-SA-TRUCK
- **Habitat for Humanity** - [www.atlantahabitat.org/donation-pickup](http://www.atlantahabitat.org/donation-pickup)
- **Atlanta Mission** - [www.tinyurl.com/AMPickUp](http://www.tinyurl.com/AMPickUp)

**Recycle Your Used Furniture and Appliances** – if your items are not in a good enough condition to donate, organize a Neighborhood Cleanup and schedule the City of Atlanta to pick items up for recycling:
- [www.tinyurl.com/CityRecycling](http://www.tinyurl.com/CityRecycling)
Recycle in Your Atlanta Apartment or Home – The City of Atlanta and the City of Decatur provide green box recycling services to all single-family homes. For apartments, Atlanta’s and Decatur’s Multi-Family Recycling Ordinances state that any multi-family complex of 6 units or more has to provide recycling for its residents. Look into recycling amenities when searching for a place to live. If you’ve already moved into a place within city limits and they don’t have recycling you should address the issue with your landlord or leasing company. For help, contact:

City of Atlanta Zero Waste Manager, Jules Toraya at jtoraya@atlantaga.gov or 404.335.1959
City of Decatur Solid Waste Superintendent, Sean Woodson at sean.woodson@decaturga.com or 404.377.5571

Drop Off Recyclables in Decatur - Check out the City of Decatur’s Recycling map to find out where you can drop off your recyclables if your home doesn’t currently provide a service: www.tinyurl.com/RecycleDecatur

Emory Recycling Center - take all your recycling (except Styrofoam) to the Emory Recycling Center on Peavine Creek Road:
www.tinyurl.com/EmoryRecycling

Get $$$ for Your Scrap Metal! – Newell's metal recycling (15 minute drive from the main Emory campus) will pay you for your old wire coat hangers, all types of cans (keep them separate since food and soda cans are made of different types of metal), computers, batteries, car parts, and the like. You will need a legal ID when you go. Best times to visit are during the week and early on the weekends.
Address: 2043 Steel Drive, Tucker, GA 30084
Website: www.newellrecycling.com

Center for Hard to Recycle Materials (CHARM) – divert your hazardous waste, bulky trash and other hard to recycle items from Metro-Atlanta households, water supplies, and landfills with CHARM:
Location: 1110 Hill Street, Atlanta, GA, 30315
Hours: Tue/Thu 9am-4pm and Sat 8am-4pm
Website: www.livethrive.org/charm

Compost Wheels – pay to have your organic waste collected and get compost for your plants in return (starts at $17.95/month):
www.compostwheels.com
Supporting your local farmers is a great way to become more sustainable. There are many farmers markets, including some that are year-round, in Atlanta.

**Farmers markets close to Emory:**

**Emory Farmers Market**  
Location: Cox Hall Bridge  
Hours: Tuesdays, 11AM-3PM

**Morningside Farmers Market**  
Location: 1393 N. Highland Ave  
Hours: Saturdays, 7:30AM-11:30PM

**Decatur Farmers Market**  
Location:  
  - Wednesdays – 308 Clairemont Ave.  
  - Saturdays – 498 N McDonough St.  
Hours:  
  - Wednesdays, 4PM-7PM (Apr-Oct), 3PM-6PM (Nov-Dec)  
  - Saturdays, 10AM-1PM (Jan-Mar), 9AM-1PM (Apr-Dec)

For a full list and map of farmers markets, check out this link:  
http://www.atlantamagazine.com/business-category/farmers-market/
What’s a CSA?
Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) is a share program in which you buy into a farm’s produce over a certain period of time. You get weekly boxes of 6-7 different items of in-season, local produce for pick either at a convenient location or the farm itself. You will eat healthier and more nutritiously as a result, while supporting local farmers and reducing the distance traveled by your food.

Here are three great CSA’s in Atlanta!

**Riverview Farms** – Organic meat – from $17/week
- Customize the types and cuts of meat
- They also do a vegetable and fruit CSA
- Pickups: Central ATL, Virginia Highland, North Decatur, & more!
  [www.grassfedcow.com](http://www.grassfedcow.com)

**Moore Farms & Friends** – Fruit, veg, meat, eggs – from $20/week
- Order weekly from website
- Can add eggs, meat, soaps, and natural products
- Pickups at Slice n’ Pint, CNR building at Rollins, & more!
  [www.moorefarmsandfriends.com](http://www.moorefarmsandfriends.com)

**Truly Living Well** – Urban Ag CSA - $19/week
- Completely customizable produce grown on urban ATL farms
- Membership allows 13 pick-ups for different sizes($19/wk; $31/wk)
- Pick-up at Wheat Street Gardens (10-12 min drive)
  [www.trulylivingwell.com](http://www.trulylivingwell.com)

For even more options, visit: [www.georgiaorganics.org/for-eaters/CSA](http://www.georgiaorganics.org/for-eaters/CSA)
OTHER SUSTAINABLE SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Home Eco Services
Eco Carpet Cleaning Services:
  www.drgreencarpet.com
  www.citruscarpetcleaners.com

Eco Maid Services:
  www.ecofriendlymaidservice.com

Eco Pest Control:
  www.callnorthwest.com/pest-control
  www.peachtreepestcontrol.com/index.html

Things To Do
Plant a Tree with Trees Atlanta
  www.treesatlanta.org

Go for a bike ride along the Atlanta Beltline
  www.beltline.org

Take a tour of the city by riding the Atlanta Streetcar
  www.streetcar.atlantaga.gov

Join the GSG listerv and take part in apartment composting and home canning workshops, become a Graduate Sustainability Ambassador, or compete in the Sustainability Case Competition:
  ListServ: www.tinyurl.com/GSGMailer
  Website: www.emorygsg.org