

VISION FOR GAINESVILLE 2030

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*Gainesville will be a vibrant city
in healthy economic, social, and environmental relationship with our region,
where we each live in safe and supportive community
near recreation, wilderness, shopping, and our schools and jobs.*

In order to fulfill this vision, we the citizens and community of Gainesville, Florida, will meet the following goals by the year 2030:

1. Goals for being in healthy economic, social, and environmental relationship with our region

- Operate responsive, efficient and accountable government
- Restore lost essential natural resources (eg, water systems, soil, air, species)
- Protect existing essential natural resources (with humility about our understanding of what's essential)
- Identify sustainable population level given local natural resources and zone accordingly
- Maximize partnerships for community well-being
- Strengthen joint visioning within county and region for improving quality of life
- Promote economic development that is clean, innovative, and beneficial for each municipality.
- Maximize conservation of resources through efficiency, recycling and reuse.
- Appreciate and encourage each community's contributions to the county and region.
- Maximize personal responsibility for the well-being of Creation.

2. Goals for being a community safe and supportive for everyone

- Insure strong successful families through sufficient school and community counseling services.
- Insure pre-emptive intervention to support and strengthen troubled families and children.
- Publicize our community's interwoven stories of diverse origins and common hopes.
- Promote recognition of the struggles and contributions of every citizen and generation.
- Maintain community-wide dialogue to share our visions, aspirations, and expectations.
- Provide on-going community-wide training in leadership and participation.
- Provide on-going education on healthy neighborhood functioning.
- Invest in neighborhood amenities.
- Insure adequate resources in every school for a high minimum achievement for every student.
- Promote life-long learning and opportunity to contribute.

3. Goals for having every residence near recreation, wilderness, shopping and our schools and jobs

- Establish compact, walkable community centers that provide a welcoming sense of place.
- Maximize walking, biking, mass transit usage, and connectivity in our transportation system.
- Enhance central locales for our major cultural, economic and leisure features.
- Insure affordable housing for every income available in every neighborhood.
- Provide natural and recreational spaces near every neighborhood.