



**Jacksonville City Council
Neighborhoods, Community Services, Public Health and
Safety Committee**

Litter

**Department of Public Works
September 20, 2021**



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Zero Tolerance On Litter Establishment in Municipal Code



The Zero Tolerance On Litter Provisions are provided in Municipal Code Section 741.

- Steps to address litter include but are not limited to the following:
 - Removal of litter from along the interstate highway systems, freeways, expressways, arterial roads, collector roads, and four-lane roads within the City, inclusive of their rights-of-way, and City parks.
 - Placement of trash receptacles at public bus stops and shelters, public boat ramps, and public transportation stops, where litter frequently appears. The City will endeavor to identify other public spaces where litter recurs and place trash receptacles accordingly.
 - Public bus stops and shelters shall be well-maintained and litter-free.



Solid Waste Litter Crews

- The Solid Waste Division (SWD) conducts weekly litter collection along City rights-of-way, for designated public facilities such as the main library, and supports volunteer litter collection. Litter crews respond to issues of littered areas and collect at litter ‘hot spots’ throughout the county along City rights-of-way based largely on complaints entered into the MyJax system. Also, the Division responds to illegal dumping issues on City property and rights of way and utilizes one boom truck and an operator to perform collection of this debris.
- In FY 2020, Solid Waste collected 4,508 bags of litter, 12,274 tires, 60 piles of debris, 48 snipe signs, and a total of 973.64 tons of trash. In the first six months of FY 2021, the Solid Waste Division picked up 2,864 bags of litter and 5,622 tires, for a total of 221.9 tons of trash.
- City Litter Collection Crew – 5 Employees, two crew cab trucks and two open trailers
- Previously (pre-COVID) inmate labor and community service workers would complement these crews



Solid Waste Litter Collection Contract

- Bid Awarded in 2019 for 3 years
- Focuses mainly on large major roadways (Approximately 1000 Miles per month currently)
- Has weekly proactive routes, and services other areas as directed by Solid Waste
- Collected 117.58 tons of litter between 10/01/20 thru 09/08/21



Mowing and Landscape Maintenance

- Litter control support via grass mowing contracts and stormwater pond maintenance contract
- Contracts stipulate litter collection prior to service/maintenance
- Contracts require removal of litter, debris, tires and specified tree limbs that may cause an unsightly or unsafe nuisance
- Removes Debris at Parks 24 times per year
- For Fiscal Year 19/20, Division staff picked up 913 tons of litter and its mowing contractor collected 326.62 tons.
- In the first six months of fiscal year 20/21, the Division picked up 453 tons of litter and their contractor 52.56 tons.

Other Agency Litter Collection Efforts



Other Department/Agency Litter Collection Efforts

- Municipal Code Compliance
 - Snipe Signs and Citations
- Jacksonville Transportation Authority
 - Bus and Public Transportation Stops
 - Removes wastes an average of three times per week
- Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department
 - Parks and Boat Ramps
 - Collects wastes weekly
 - Works closely with Keep Jacksonville Beautiful on special cleanup events

Community Cleanup Events and Education



Clean it Up, Green it Up (CIU, GIU)

- Activity Housed in the Neighborhoods Department
 - Educate, heighten awareness and change attitudes regarding community litter
 - Supports Keep Jacksonville Beautiful Commission
 - Assists and Organizes community and area cleanup events
 - Adopt a Road Program
 - Responds to beautification inquiries, suggestions and complaints

Community Cleanup Events and Education (cont.)



Schedule of Events



Keep Jacksonville Beautiful Commission 2021 Calendar of Annual Projects & Events

Keep Jacksonville Beautiful 38th Anniversary Event
TBD

St. Johns River Celebration Cleanup
March 20, 2021
8 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Various sites around Duval County

July 5th Beaches Cleanup
7 a.m. - 9 a.m.
Atlantic Beach at the ocean
Beach Boulevard at the ocean
Seagate Avenue at the ocean

International Coastal Cleanup
September 18, 2021
8 a.m. – 11 a.m.
Various sites around Duval County

Right Whale Litter Cleanup
Nov. 6, 2021
8 a.m. – 10 a.m.
Seawalk Pavilion
1st St. North
Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250

America Recycles Day
November 13, 2021
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Parking Lot E TIAA Bank Field*
1 TIAA Bank Field Dr.
Jacksonville, FL 32202
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Litter Enforcement (Oct. 2019 – March 2021)



The Jacksonville Sheriff's Office (JSO) is a major partner in the City's efforts to combat community litter. JSO is represented on the Keep Jacksonville Beautiful Commission and provides information on enforcement initiatives. During the report period, JSO issued 139 litter citations.

Additional litter citations issued by other enforcement agencies in Duval County are provided as follows:

- Atlantic Beach Police Department.....2
- Florida Highway Patrol.....7
- Jacksonville Beach Police Department.....3
- Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC).....8
- Florida Department of Environmental Protection.....4
- Florida Fish & Wildlife.....3
- Municipal Code Compliance Division.....426
- State Attorney Office.....2



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