

Marine Debris Sort Report

March 2026



During the month of March, local volunteers conducted beach cleanups in Juno beach. Following each beach and underwater cleanup, LMC's conservation department sorts and analyzes 25% the debris collected. The debris removed during the cleanup was sorted and data collected in alignment with best practices as outlined by our partners at NOAA and the Ocean Conservancy.



211

volunteers



9

cleanups



196.75

pounds (total weight)



3,193

pieces of debris (25%)

UNUSUAL ITEMS FOUND

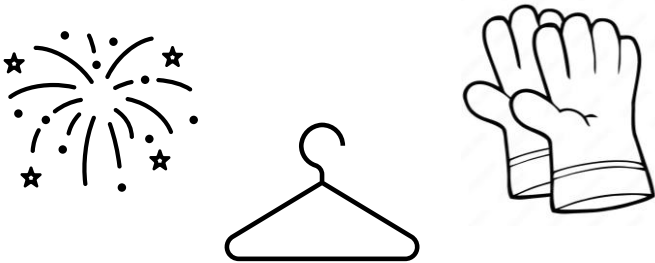


Figure 1. Unusual items found during March 2026 include a clothes hanger, a firework casing, and gardening gloves!

TOP 5 ITEMS COLLECTED

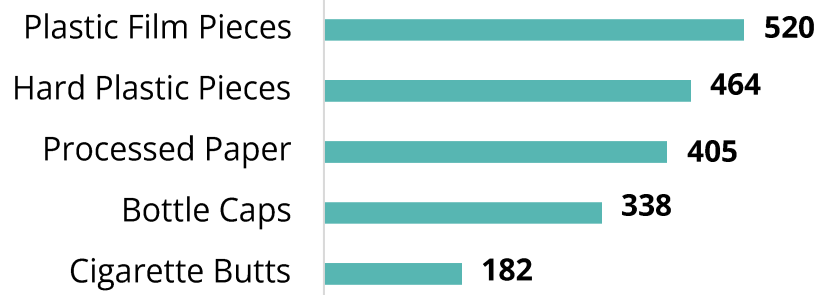


Figure 2. Top 5 items collected during March 2026.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Help keep our sea turtles safe - especially during nesting season by "Respecting the Locals"

Fill in holes and knock down sandcastles. These create obstacles for sea turtles coming to and from the ocean!



Turn off lights and keep shades shut! Bright lights can disorient sea turtles.

Remove all items. Including Trash! Debris items can entangle and block turtles on their way to the ocean.

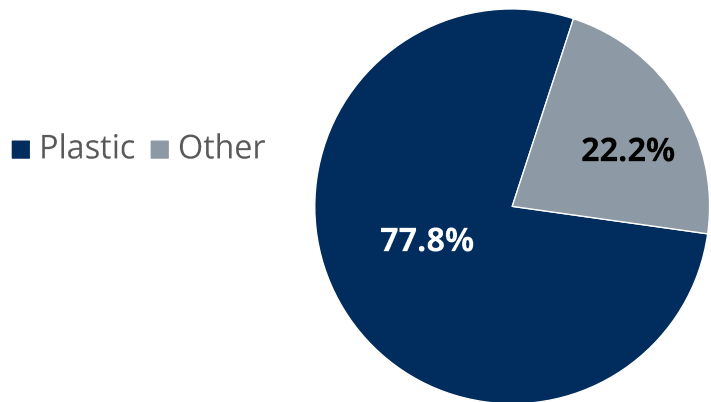


Figure 3. 77.8% of all debris removed was plastic.