

Marine Debris Sort Report

October, 2023



During the month of October, 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.



407

volunteers



9

cleanups



286.80

pounds (total weight)



15,653

pieces of debris (25%)



Figure 1. Strange items found in October, 2023, include 26 fake plants.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?



Ditch single-use plastic water bottles by purchasing and using a reusable one!



Say no to Styrofoam! Instead, request for leftover food to be wrapped in aluminum foil when dining out.



Refuse disposable plastic utensils when ordering takeout or delivery. Try utensil sets made from sustainable materials, like bamboo, as an alternative.

TOP 5 ITEMS COLLECTED

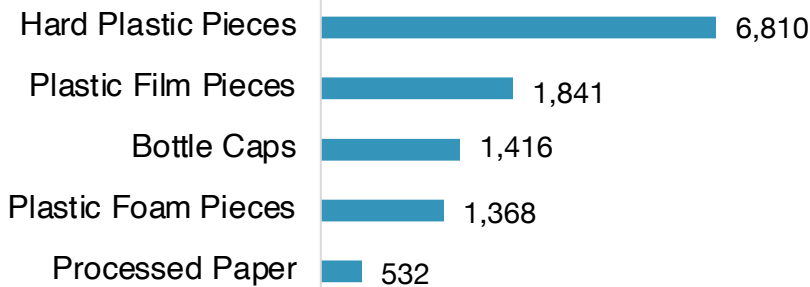


Figure 2. Top 5 items collected in October, 2023.

■ Plastic ■ Other

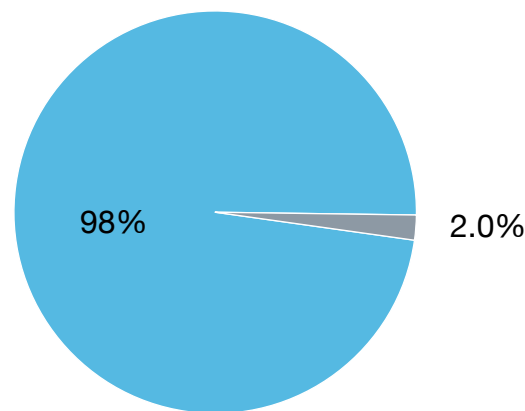


Figure 3. 98.0% of all debris removed was plastic.