

# Marine Debris Sort Report

**August 2022**



Following each beach and underwater cleanup, LMC's conservation department sorts and analyzes the debris collected. In the month of August, volunteers conducted beach cleanups in Juno Beach, FL. 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.



**324**

volunteers



**7**

cleanup



**663.9**

pounds



**17,413**

pieces of debris



Figure 1. Hard plastic pieces was the most commonly found marine debris item this month.

## TOP 5 ITEMS COLLECTED

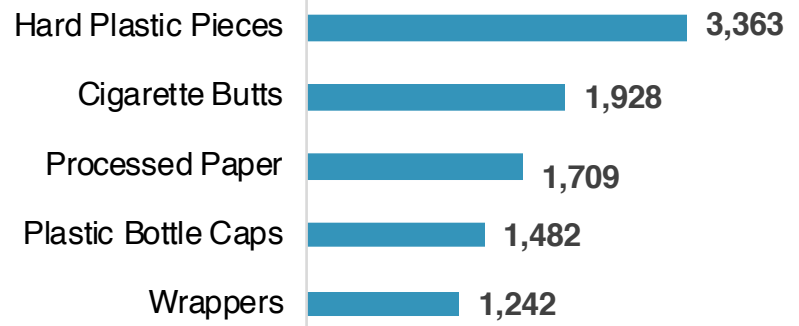


Figure 2. Top 5 items collected in August, 2022.

## 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.

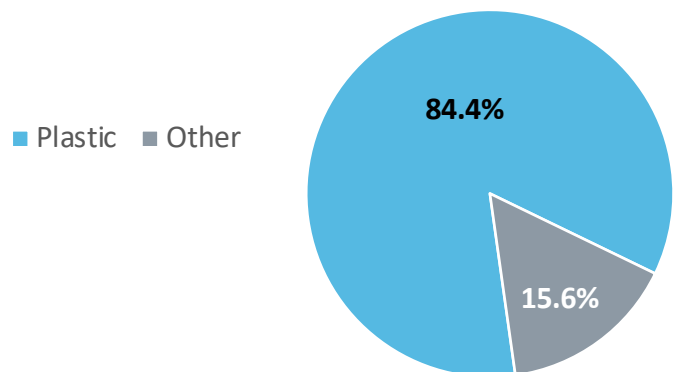


Figure 3. 84.4% of all debris removed was plastic.