Following each beach and underwater cleanup, LMC’s conservation department sorts and analyzes the debris collected. In the month of December, 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.

133 volunteers
5 cleanup
182.96 pound
2,276 pieces of debris

**TOP 5 ITEMS COLLECTED**

- Hard Pieces: 670
- Bottle Caps: 393
- Wrappers: 184
- Plastic Film Pieces: 166
- Foam Pieces: 102

**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.

**Figure 1.** An unusual item found during the month of December included a lawn chair.

**Figure 2.** Top 5 items collected in December, 2022.

**Figure 3.** 88.0% of all debris removed was plastic.