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

| 1106 volunteers | 14 cleanup | 885 pound | 35067 pieces of debris |

Figure 1. Unusual items found during the month of September included 10 scuba masks.

**TOP 5 ITEMS COLLECTED**

- Cigarette Butts: 6292
- Hard Pieces: 6079
- Bottle Caps: 3261
- Plastic Film Pieces: 3131
- Wrappers: 2668

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

**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 3. 86.5% of all debris removed was plastic.