



BEACH SWEEPS

2024 Annual Report

Since 1985

Volunteers: 176,510

Hours Dedicated: Over 1 MILLION!!

Items Removed: 8,768,132



The future of the Beach Sweeps...Remi ready to go with bucket in hand!



Beach Sweeps are doggone fun!



Cormac shows off the commemorative stickers for all who "Bring Your Own Bucket!"

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Beach Sweeps Since 1985! OVER 1 MILLION HOURS OF DEDICATED “FEET ON THE BEACH, HANDS IN THE SAND”



An Overview

For decades we've known that trash and litter find their way into our waterways from many sources and are harmful or even lethal to countless marine life that mistake it for food and/or become entangled. Litter often starts on land and is either windblown or carried by stormwater into waterways, where it ultimately flows into the sea. Here, it can last for hundreds of years, breaking down slowly into tinier bits while also accumulating toxic chemicals. A small percentage of the vast amounts of trash washing into the ocean -- now marine debris, winds-up on beaches where it fouls the shoreline and requires action.

The problem with plastics is not over, in fact it is getting worse.

In 1985, **Clean Ocean Action (COA)** led a small group of dedicated volunteers in a beach cleanup at Sandy Hook. Seeing the vast amounts of trash and the vital need to document what was found, COA started to collect data -- rudimentary at first, but then more robust. Many other states also started cleanups, and the present-day Ocean Conservancy linked the national growing events together with common data cards, which is still the basic format of today. Data collected allows for comparison and assessments.

Data collection is central to the long-term value by providing evidence or driving public policy to reduce the source of litter in the ocean. If data is the super-power of the event, volunteers are the superheroes by painstakingly documenting every piece of trash. The event sparks environmental stewardship in the small and tall, providing tangible, visible proof that they make a difference.

As COA tells everyone, you can go to the beach every day and do a cleanup. On Sweeps days, we need the data to establish a baseline of information of what is washing-up on beaches. The data is then compiled into an Annual Report.

This 2024 report highlights the 39th Annual Beach Sweeps. Inside this report you will read all the Sweeps highlights and details of who, what, where, when and how! You see the data and how it tells a story. Most of all you will see the power of the people in action, including the “Bucket Brigade” to reduce plastic bag use in the program. The problem with plastics is not over, in fact it is getting worse.

Plastic Pollution: Nowhere on Earth and No Lifeform is Spared

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Plastic contamination has now spread to people. Contamination and adverse effects are being reported in people, especially in urban or industrial areas. Science journals are filled with alarming results of micro and nano plastic contamination in people and the significant health effects to reproductive and immune systems, among others. Most recently, a study found a combined equivalent of a plastic spoon of microplastics in the brains of humans. Growing research reveals even plants are impaired, impacting crops that are exposed to plastics in fertilizer, water, and air deposition.



Above Photos by
Jo Arlow Photography

Read on for more! Dive-in to the data, results, highlights, spotlights, wavemakers, sponsors, and the ridiculous!

2024 SITE AND SEASON SWEEPS SPOTLIGHTS

Below are blended tales from the stories and highlights shared by the most amazing 167 true-blue superheroes of the Beach Sweeps: the volunteer Captains and Junior Captains who lead, manage, and implement the events at over 83 locations!

Sweeps Weather Report:

“Seemed like everyone showed up ready to do their part. Many were excited and surprised at some of the items they found. Several Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops attended. Many students requested volunteer hour forms.”
 – Beach Captain



Spring: Cloudy. Chilly. Blustery. Temperatures in the low 50s F. Winds steady around 15 mph with gusts up to 33 mph. Scattered showers reported. Kindness Club and friends in Atlantic Highlands



Fall: Sunny, warm, little wind. Temperatures mid to high 60s F. Girl Scouts shine at Ideal Beach, Middletown!



SpongeBob Squarepants joined the cleanup in Perth Amboy!

Spring Site Highlights:

- Blustery, chilly winds did not deter 3,996 volunteers sustaining the work of the Beach Sweeps in April, also Earth Month.
- Increasingly, volunteers are embracing the BUCKET BRIGADE, by bringing buckets to reduce the number of plastic bags needed. Collector-item stickers are provided for buckets to engender pride and bucket use.
- Increasing numbers of organizations, businesses, schools and scout troops are participating!
- SpongeBob Squarepants made the Sweeps special in Perth Amboy!
- Lavallette Beach Captain Anita Zalom celebrated her 30th year!
- Getting married the following weekend didn't deter Beach Captains Asley and Shawn who wore HIS/HER Shirts.
- Lots of unusual finds, though some beaches reportedly were mechanically cleaned recently.



Fall 2024 Site Highlights:

- After a year and a half of cold, rainy, and windy weather, Mother Nature shined upon the Sweeps and the 2,839 volunteers were thrilled.
- Many youth groups including K-12 schools attended.
- Bucket Brigade is gaining momentum.
- Municipalities are all-in with Mayors, Council Members, Department of Public Works, Environmental Commissions, Green Teams, and Recreation members are increasingly participating!

Spotlight: MAST Student Coordinator Abby Penny and COA's Own Kira Cruz

Each year, the Marine Academy of Science and Technology (MAST) helps coordinate the Beach Sweeps at Sandy Hook. Liza Baskin, oceanography teacher, connects COA with a rising senior at MAST who is interested in serving as the “student coordinator” for the Beach Sweeps as part of a senior internship. The student coordinator is responsible for recruiting and organizing MAST volunteers. **Abby Penney** (right) organized her peers for a fantastic Fall 2024 event. As we go to press with this report, Abby is organizing for the Spring of 2025, which proved a greater challenge as the Sweeps was scheduled during the first weekend of spring break! Well done, Abby!

After two years embracing the Beach Sweeps, Corporate Sweeps, and plastic reduction campaigns, COA's Debris Free Sea Coordinator **Kira Cruz** (below right) embarked on an incredible journey touring Europe with her husband and dog Roman. COA thanks Kira for her dedication to the Beach Captains, towns, volunteers, sponsors and the data! Waves of Thanks, Kira and Bon Voyage!



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BEACH SWEEPS DATA IN ACTION

Reducing Sources of Marine Debris - Beach Sweep Data gets to work!

New Jersey “Get Past Plastic” Law: A Plastic Reduction Success Story

The Get Past Plastic Law was signed in June 2020 and seeks to reduce single use plastic waste including through recycling and reduction (see page 5). The law also restricts or bans a few single use items. In November 2021, the first phase of the law went into effect requiring that plastic straws be supplied to customers “only upon request.” In May 2022, the ban on plastic single use plastic bags and foam take out containers went into effect.

Data from 2021 and 2024 Beach Sweeps can be used to assess differences. **Table 1** shows decreases in most of the items covered under the Get Past Plastic Law when comparing pre- and post- law Beach Sweeps totals. **Table 2** shows the number of items collected per volunteer for items under the law. Particularly encouraging is the 2024 Plastic Single Use Food/Shopping bags total; this total is the **lowest percentage ever recorded**.



Beach Captain Emily Hackett Herrala instructs volunteers about the importance of collecting data

Too Many Reusable Bags?

Due to increased food deliveries, one unintended consequence of the Get Past Plastic law for some people is the increased number of reusable bags. If you have more reusable bags than you need, consider donating them to food pantries, such as the Community Foodbank of New Jersey (CFBNJ), whose website has instructions and locations for donating reusable bags.



Leadership for Plastic Reduction Progress:

COA’s Executive Director, Cindy Zipf, is Chair of the Plastics Advisory Council (PAC), established by the “Get Past Plastic” law. The PAC is charged with assessing the implementation of the law and making future recommendations on actions to reduce plastic waste, especially single-use plastic. The PAC represents a cross section of business, environmental, academia, and agency representatives. They have issued two reports highlighting the success of the law, as well as Opportunities for Action to reduce plastic waste. To review the report, go to: <https://dep.nj.gov/get-past-plastic>.



Table 1. COA Beach Sweeps Data 2021 and 2024; Percentage of Total Items Pre- and Post “Get Past Plastic Law” Comparisons (Decreases in BLUE, Increases in ORANGE)

“Get Past Plastic Law” Debris Item	2021	2024	Rate of Change
Foam Take Out Containers	0.21%	0.19%	-9.52%
Foam Cups	0.58%	0.62%	6.90%
Foam Trays	0.05%	0.04%	-20.00%
Plastic Single Use Food/Shopping Bags	1.81%	1.01%	-44.20%
Plastic Straws	6.78%	5.42%	-20.06%

Table 2. COA Beach Sweeps Number of Items Collected Per Volunteer Post- “Get Past Plastic Law” Comparisons (BLUE = Below base year; ORANGE = Above base year 2021)

“Get Past Plastic Law” Debris Item	Base Year 2021	2022	2023	2024
Plastic Store/Shopping Bags	0.93	0.72	0.63	0.41
Plastic Foam Cups	0.30	0.23	0.31	0.25
Plastic Foam Fast Food Containers	0.11	0.08	0.10	0.08
Plastic Foam Trays	0.02	0.02	0.05	0.02
Plastic Straws/Stirrers	3.47	2.60	2.66	2.19

Beach Sweeps Data on the Move – New Legislative Efforts:

There are numerous bills moving at the federal, state, and local level to reduce plastic pollution that use Beach Sweep data as evidence:

- **NJ Packaging Product Stewardship Act** requires extended producer responsibility (EPR) for plastic packaging. Every trip to the store or mailbox often includes excess packaging. This is not only wasteful but also costs municipalities millions of dollars to dispose of in landfills. Data shows that 41% of the total number of items collected are plastic packaging items, yet plastic packaging accounts for less than 15% of the items listed on the Beach Sweeps Data Card. Plastic packaging also accounts for 33% of The Dirty Dozen – the top 12 debris offenders. The bill also would ban the use of 14 of the worst toxic chemicals found in plastics as well as use of chemical recycling which is unproven and expensive.
- **Skip the Stuff Bill** is a common-sense idea. Save businesses money and reduce waste by only giving single use items such as utensils, condiment packets or cups, or anything – to people that request them! Businesses will also save millions of dollars.
- **Construction Dust and Litter Bill** is a visionary idea by community leaders in Margate with COA’s assistance led to a bill that prohibits the release of construction dust waste including foam, microplastics, and dust.
- **The Federal Break Free from Plastic Pollution and Protecting Communities from Plastics Acts** would reduce plastic production and use as well as protect communities from industrial facilities that produce plastic or manage waste.



One of COA’s inspiring high school SEAL students, Landon Hoberman, testified before a NJ Senate Committee on 10/10/2024 in support of the single-use utensil reduction bill, S3195

Photo credit: Elissa Hoberman

2024 Data Highlights

The Beach Sweeps data provides evidence of pollution problems and opportunities to identify solutions. Here are some highlights from the data over time to the 2024 Spring and Fall Beach Sweeps.

Cumulative Results Since 1985:

- **8,768,132** pieces of trash removed
- **176,510** volunteers (including Beach Captains) donated **1,003,119** hours

2024 Beach Sweeps Totals Highlights:

- Total Number of Sites: **83**
- Total Items Removed: **276,899**
- Total Number of Volunteers: **6,835**
- Total Number of Captains & Junior Beach Sweeps Captains: **167**
- Total Number of Groups: **408**
- Total Percent Plastic Debris: **83.02%** (total Plastic (73.22%) and total Plastic Foam (9.80%))

Comparison of Debris: Percentages of Debris Items

The number of volunteers can fluctuate year by year, season to season. Therefore, a good reference for comparison is evaluating each item's percentage related to that of total debris. In reviewing the additional highlights below

- Total 2024 Plastic Food/Shopping Bags: lowest-ever recorded totaling **1.02%**;
 - 2024 Spring percentage was 1.14% of total items
 - 2024 Fall percentage was 0.87% of total items

All-time Highest Percentage of Debris items:

- # 1 Highest Percentage: 2019 Plastic Pieces - **19.23%**; also holds the highest item total: **95,963**
 - 2024 Plastic Pieces: **10.83%** of total with **29,999**
- #2 Highest Percentage: 2024 Plastic Bottle Caps totaled **17.56%** with **48,611**
- #3 Highest Percentage: 1999 Cigarette Filters totaled **16.44%** with **41,509**
 - 2024 Cigarette filters: **4.71%** of total with **13,042**

Unfathomable:

Items which are particularly irksome to find on beaches:

- **Dental Floss Picks:** added to data card in 2021, increased from **0.43%** to **0.72%** in 2024 with **1,991**
- **Poo-Bags:** added to data card in 2021, with 0.39% and held at **0.39%** in 2024 with **1,067**
- Syringes from 2009 to 2024 rose from **0.08%** to **0.21%**
- Personal Protective Equipment (2021 to 2024)
 - Disposables Masks 0.61% to 0.12%
 - Reusable Masks 0.10% to 0.01%
 - Disposable gloves 0.26% to 0.22%

The Dirty Dozen Notables:

With the following outliers, the Dirty Dozen list includes only minor shuffling or no changes:

- Plastic Cap Rings returns to list as #9 after appearing as #11 in 2022. Until these recent listings, the last time they made the list was in 2011 (13 years ago).
- After not appearing on the list since 2008, Metal Beverage Cans popped up in 2023 at #10. It remains on the list for 2024 but dropped to #11.
- Plastic cigar tips ranged from 1.45% to 2.53% (2009-2024), and 2.01% in 2024



2024 Results

	Spring		Fall	
	Total	Total	Total	% of Total
PLASTIC				
Food, Candy Wrappers/Bags	13,476	11,326	24,802	8.96%
Store/Shopping Bags	1,736	1,087	2,823	1.02%
Dog Waste Bags	719	348	1,067	0.39%
Other Bags	1,438	1,100	2,538	0.92%
Beverages/Soda Bottles	6,522	4,726	11,248	4.06%
Other Bottles/Jugs	1,526	1,244	2,770	1.00%
Bottle Caps/Lids	29,020	19,591	48,611	17.56%
Cap Rings	3,702	2,255	5,957	2.15%
Cigarette Filters	5,278	7,764	13,042	4.71%
Lighters	574	427	1,001	0.36%
Cigarette Packaging	673	563	1,236	0.45%
Cigar Tips	2,673	2,891	5,564	2.01%
E-Cigarette Cartridges/Caps/Pens	926	933	1,859	0.67%
Bait Bags/Containers	422	178	600	0.22%
Line (tangle)	336	352	688	0.25%
Line (piece)	149	214	363	0.13%
Lures, Floats	210	327	537	0.19%
Fishing Nets	168	158	326	0.12%
Beverage Cups	2,369	2,019	4,388	1.58%
Forks, Knives, Spoons	1,567	1,346	2,913	1.05%
Food Lids	1,466	1,102	2,568	0.93%
Straws/Stirrers	8,996	6,000	14,996	5.42%
Takeout Containers	674	544	1,218	0.44%
Cotton Swab Sticks	85	102	187	0.07%
Dental Floss Picks	1,127	864	1,991	0.72%
Diapers	34	43	77	0.03%
Disposable Wipes	381	282	663	0.24%
Syringes	390	194	584	0.21%
Tampon Applicators	1,070	584	1,654	0.60%
Light Sticks	315	440	755	0.27%
Pens	477	342	819	0.30%
Plastic Pieces	14,660	15,339	29,999	10.83%
Ribbon/Tape (no balloon)	769	1,668	2,437	0.88%
Rope	413	333	746	0.27%
6-Pack Holders	132	59	191	0.07%
Sheeting	105	116	221	0.08%
Shotgun Shells	206	137	343	0.12%
Strapping Bands	283	305	588	0.21%
Toys	1,044	1,306	2,350	0.85%
Other Plastics	5,054	2,965	8,019	2.90%
FOAM PLASTIC				
Building/Dock Material	967	389	1,356	0.49%
Cups	1,081	622	1,703	0.62%
Packaging Materials	1,590	871	2,461	0.89%
Foam Pieces	9,703	6,988	16,691	6.03%
Plates	150	125	275	0.10%
Trays	58	53	111	0.04%
Takeout Containers	319	210	529	0.19%
Other Foam Plastic	2,421	1,589	4,010	1.45%
PPE				
Disposable Face Masks	245	94	339	0.12%
Reusable Face Masks	30	11	41	0.01%
Disposable Gloves	372	237	609	0.22%

	Spring		Fall	
	Total	Total	Total	% of Total
BALLOONS & RUBBER				
Balloons - Mylar/Plastic	696	544	1,240	0.45%
Mylar With String/Ribbon	338	408	746	0.27%
Balloons - Rubber/Latex	396	516	912	0.33%
Rubber With String/Ribbon	172	257	429	0.15%
Condoms	107	82	189	0.07%
Rubber Bands	140	266	406	0.15%
Reusable Gloves	54	107	161	0.06%
Tires: Piece	111	67	178	0.06%
Tires: Whole	19	14	33	0.01%
Other Rubber	352	250	602	0.22%
Batteries: Car	11	13	24	0.01%
Batteries: Other	18	25	43	0.02%
Bottle Caps	1,922	1,838	3,760	1.36%
Beverage Cans	2,735	2,371	5,106	1.84%
Other Cans	210	185	395	0.14%
Fishing: Hooks	49	36	85	0.03%
Fishing: Sinkers	15	33	48	0.02%
Foil	439	588	1,027	0.37%
Nails	376	162	538	0.19%
Wire	517	179	696	0.25%
Metal Pieces	368	233	601	0.22%
Pop Tabs	128	130	258	0.09%
Other Metal	237	189	426	0.15%
METAL				
Beverage Cartons/Boxes	345	271	616	0.22%
Cardboard	809	836	1,645	0.59%
Cups	456	513	969	0.35%
Newspaper/Magazines	215	119	334	0.12%
Paper Bags	408	422	830	0.30%
Paper Pieces	1,989	3,071	5,060	1.83%
Plates	117	154	271	0.10%
Other Paper	449	1,224	1,673	0.60%
PAPER				
Blankets/Sheets/Towels	190	165	355	0.13%
Clothing: Specify	259	279	538	0.19%
Shoes/Sandals	271	190	461	0.17%
String (No Balloon)	298	430	728	0.26%
Other Cloth	410	314	724	0.26%
Ice Cream Spoon/Sticks	188	328	516	0.19%
Lumber Pieces	2,433	1,812	4,245	1.53%
Pallets	135	105	240	0.09%
Other Wood	1,142	600	1,742	0.63%
WOOD				
Beverage Bottles	1,661	1,163	2,824	1.02%
Other Bottles/Jars	172	75	247	0.09%
Glass Pieces	2,181	1,338	3,519	1.27%
Other Glass	337	258	595	0.21%
GLASS				

2024 Beach Sweeps	Spring	Fall	Totals
Total Items Collected	151,976	124,923	276,899
Number of Volunteers	3,996	2,839	6,835



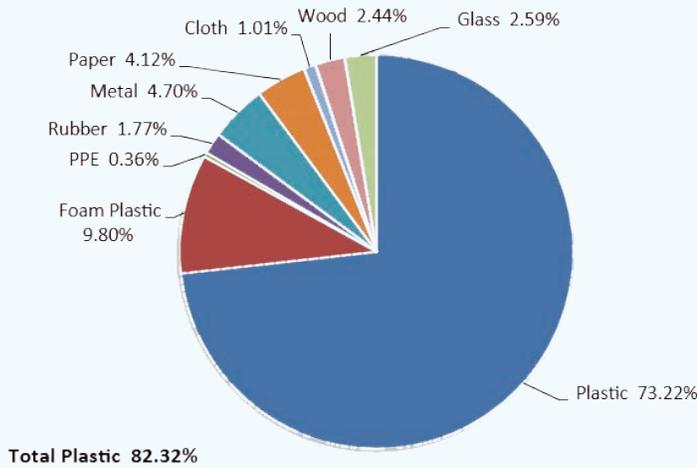
Datacard, bucket, and smiles – volunteers ready to sweep at Sandy Hook!

NOTES FOR UNDERSTANDING BEACH SWEEPS DATA:

The Annual Beach Sweeps Report can be used to study and understand marine debris. When analyzing annually or over time for trends, it is important to note that the amounts of debris collected depends on a variety of factors, such as weather, tides, participants, and accuracy.

2024 Data and Dirty Dozen

Percent Breakdown by Category/Debris Type



Breakdown by Category/Debris Type				
2024 Totals	Spring	Fall	Total	% of Total
Plastic	111,165	91,574	202,739	73.22%
Foam Plastic	16,289	10,847	27,136	9.80%
PPE	647	342	989	0.36%
Rubber	2,385	2,511	4,896	1.77%
Metal	7,025	5,982	13,007	4.70%
Paper	4,788	6,610	11,398	4.12%
Cloth	1,428	1,378	2,806	1.01%
Wood	3,898	2,845	6,743	2.44%
Glass	4,351	2,834	7,185	2.59%
Pieces of Debris	151,976	124,923	276,899	
Volunteers	3,996	2,839	6,835	

Dirty Dozen:

The Top Twelve Most Collected Items of Debris

The Dirty Dozen lists the worst offenders of marine litter: the top twelve most commonly collected items at the Beach Sweeps. Plastic, especially single-use items, dominates the list. Over 90% of the total Dirty Dozen items collected are single-use plastic items. *Denotes Single-Use Plastic item

Due to the pandemic, 2020 data is irregular and not used for comparisons.

2024 Rank	Debris Items	2024	Change in Rank	2023	2023 Rank	2022	2022 Rank	2021	2021 Rank
1	Plastic Bottle Caps/Lids	48,611	█	23,788	1	52,512	2	69,454	1
2	Plastic Pieces	29,999	↑	16,771	3	53,869	1	67,628	2
3	Food, Candy Wrappers/Bags	24,802	↓	17,883	2	37,453	3	58,589	3
4	Foam Pieces	16,691	↑	7,901	6	21,725	5	26,870	6
5	Straws/Stirrers	14,996	█	9,762	5	21,216	6	34,801	4
6	Cigarette Filters	13,042	↓	11,557	4	22,589	4	32,460	5
7	Plastic Beverage Bottles	11,248	█	7,765	7	10,051	8	11,394	9
8	Other Plastics	8,019	↑	3,841	12	11,748	7	13,580	7
9	Plastic Cap Rings	5,957	↑	3,478	(13)*	7,520	11	9,072	(13)*
10	Cigar Tips	5,564	↓	4,438	8	9,554	9	11,328	10
11	Metal Beverage Cans	5,106	↓	4,106	10	5,234	(16)*	6,550	(16)*
12	Paper Pieces	5,060	↓	4,350	9	7,274	12	11,786	8
	Total Dirty Dozen	189,095		115,640		260,745		353,512	
	Percent of Total Debris	68.29%		65.63%		69.17%		68.83%	
	Number of Volunteers	6,835		3,664		8,148		10,003	

↑ moved up in rank
 ↓ moved down in rank
 █ no change in rank
 * did not make rank for indicated year

Ocean Wavemakers

Special thanks to our Ocean Wavemakers, who contributed time effort, resources, and donations!



Keyport Beach Captain Mike Palmisano & volunteer



Sea Bright Captain Stephanie Huynh



Captains Jason McKairnes & Sanura Nash-McKairnes at Normandy Beach



Beach Captains

Alejandra Contreras Suarez, Alexandra Kinsey, Alexis Rasmussen, Amor Wisely, Angela Boucher, Anita Zalom, Ann Commarato, Anthony Edge, Beth Collis, Betty Jean

Downing, Blake Deakin, Bonnie Peterson, Brittany McLaughlin, Brooke Marren, Bryan Severance, Carol McCallum, Christian Coutu, Christine Feketics, Christine Harding, Crystal DeCaro, Dakota Schaefer, Daniel Kane, Dave Finter, Dave Geer, David Finter, Derek Noah, Derek Riddle, Dillon Gilbertson, Dodie Reagan, Donna Player, Doreen Silakowski, Dylan Santos, Emily Diangson, Emily Hackett, Eric Gehring, Eric Hanan, Esther Cirelli, Eugene Viereck, Frank Corretini, Geoff Curtiss, Geoff Woolery, Graceanne Taylor, Gretchen Whitman, Hamlette the Mini Pig, James Montgomery, Jana Mars, Jason McKairnes, Jeff Martin, Jenna Santacroce, Jessica Mumford, JJ Walsh, Joas Quiles, Joe Martin, Joe Rampino, John Majeski, John Peterson, John Wnek, Jose Fernandez, Joseph Pursel, Josh Peterson, Julie Fennell, Julia DeRosso, Julia Tait, Julie Fennell, Julie Hughes, Julie Peterson, Justine Herzog, Kailey Forsythe, Kelliann Jones, Keri Branin, Kevin Hullings, Kimberly Gallagher, Kirti Sharma, Laurel Allen, Lauren Gillian, Lee Gashlin, Leigh Simpson, Leslie Mangold, Lisa Cordova, Lynne Kosobucki, Margot Fernicola, Maria Andrews, Marianne Grant, Mark Thompson, Mary Lenahan, Matt Schmidt, Megan Geer, Michael Rohal, Michele Bellinger, Mike Palmisano, Morgan Spicer, Nancy Harrivan, Nicole Sherry, Pat Rogers, Peter Andross, Peter Andruss, Phuong Nguyen, Raymond LeChien, Richard Allen, Rona Parker, Rosemary Hall, Ryan Baine, Sandi Beyer, Sanura Nash-McKairnes, Sara Calvo, Sharon Manni, Shefali Singh, Skyla Johnson, Stephanie Huynh, Steve Shearer, Tina Grazioso, Tina Marie Walling, Tony Kono, Troy Romanowski, Tyler Thompson, Valerie Haggerty, Victoria Puga, Vincent Palmieri



Civic Groups, Parks, & Municipal

Aberdeen Township Environmental & Shade

Tree Advisory Board, Americorps, Berkeley Township Waterways Advisory Commission, Borough of Seaside Park Mayor and Council, Police Department, Public Works Department, Recreation Department; Borough of Stone Harbor and Policy Department; Bradley Beach Environmental Commission; Brick Township Environmental Commission; Coast Guard Auxiliary Members; City of South Amboy; Friends of Jackson Woods; Friends of Ortley Beach; Glen Ridge Department of Public Works, Environmental Advisory Board; Go Green Galloway; Keyport Mayor & Council and Environmental Commission; Long Branch Green Team, Middlesex County Improvement Authority; Middlesex County Utilities Authority; New Jersey Society of Women Environmental Professionals; NJ ROTC; Ocean City Borough; Ocean Gate Park and Recreation; Port Authority of New York and New Jersey; Rumson Environmental Commission; Sayreville Clean Communities and Green Team; South Amboy City Council and Green Team; Spring Lake Environmental Commission; Trotters Pointe; Turtle Back Zoo; US Customs Service; Ventnor Green Team; VFW Post 7508



Businesses

Bayshore Recycling, Bloomberg, Brick Hospital, Bridge Builders, Bristol Myers Squibb, Burns & McDonnell, Cape Resorts, Catalant, Chart House, Chase Bank,

Church & Dwight, Citi Bank, City MD Urgent Care, Climb Channel Solutions, Climb Global Solutions, CME Associates, Compass Realty , Construction Specialties, Coronato's Clean Cuisine, Crum & Forster, CS Energy, Dalton Willis Group, Diller & Fisher Realtors, Enterprise, Everest Group, Exit Realty, Farrell Group, First Atlantic Federal Credit Union, First Bank of Sea Isle City, First Energy, Fox & Roach Realtors, Gilbane Building Co., Grand BK, Green Worldwide, Hackensack Meridian Health, Heist Agency, HILTI, Humanscale (Piscataway), Ingredion Corp, Integral Consulting, Integris, Jersey Shore Medical Center, Johnson & Johnson, JP Morgan Chase, Kearny Bank, KEGG, Manasquan Bank, Marriott (Princeton & Bridgewater), Marriott International, McLoone's Restaurants, Memorial Sloan Kettering, Mid Penn Bank, Mighty Heron Charters, MLS Monmouth Ocean, Monmouth Ocean Regional Realtors, Monteverde, Morgan Engineering, Morgan Stanley, MORR Realtors, New Jersey Natural Gas, New Jersey Realtors, NJ Realtors, Northfield Bank, Ocean First Bank, Ocean Medical Center, Old Navy, Orion Innovation, Polo/Ralph Lauren, Power Home Remodeling, Pure Yoga Center, Regency at Trotters Pointe, Republic Services, Ricoh, S&P Global, Sherwin Williams, Standard Chartered Bank, Starbucks, Stop & Shop, Straddy Paddle Co., Stratus Tech, Stratus Technology Services, T&M Associates Engineering, Tanger Outlets, Target, Target (#1155 Watchung), TATA Consultancy Services, TD Bank, TD Securities, The Seeing Eye of Morristown, Thomas Sometry Company, Timberland, United Parcel Service, United Teletech Financial, USI Insurance Services, Vantage Apparel, Voyant Beauty, Wakefern/ShopRite, Warby Parker, Wavin, Weston Solutions, Whitestone Associates, World Centric



Junior Beach Captains

Abhinov Avilala, Alex Savov, Alexandra Kinsey, Althea Michals, Angela Chan, Arya

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Organizations

4-H (Club Teen Council), 4-H (Economics Club), 4-H (Kindness Club), 4-H (Mercer County), Alpha Gamma Delta, Alpha Iota

Omicron Fraternity, Beautification Committee, Big Brother/Big Sister, Buddha's Light International Association, Colony Club of Ocean City, Friends United Non Fun Club Brigantine, Grunin Performing Arts Academy, Jersey Girl Surf Club, Kappa Phi Lambda (Rutgers), Key Club, Kindness Club, Lavallette Environmental Cleanup Club, Lavallette Republican Club, Lavallette Seniors, Love Blue, Manasquan Beach Improvement Association, Manasquan Woman's Club, Metro Lions Club (Edison), Monmouth-Ocean Development Council, National Honor Society, NJ Humanist Network, Ocean 7 Condo Owners, Ocean City Beach Buggy Association, Ocean City Board of Realtors, Phlock of South Jersey, Red Bank Humanists, Rotary (Interact Club), Rotary Club, Rotary Club (Bloomfield/Glen Ridge), Rowan Environmental Action League, Raritan Valley Community College Rotaract Club, Sandy Hook Sunrise Swimmers, Save Barnegat Bay, Sea Lavender Garden Club, Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers of New Jersey, Society of Marine Port Engineers, Stone Harbor Property Owners Association,



Faith Based Groups

Asbury Park Women's Missionary Society, Christ Our Light Catholic Church, Fo Guang Shan (NJ Buddhist Culture Center), Grace Christian Church, SEWA International, St. Andrew United Methodist Church (Toms River), St. Bartholomew Catholic Church, St. Damien Parish, St. Greg's of Danbury, St. Rose Justice & Peace, St. Teresa of Calcutta, St. Thomas Church, Temple Beth Shalom



Pre/Elementary/ Middle Schools

Avon Elementary, Bayshore Middle, Cedar Drive Middle, Christa McAuliffe Middle, Cinnaminson Middle, Dwight D. Eisenhower Middle, Forked River Elementary (Environmental Club), Forrestdale, Frank Antonides Middle, Galloway Township Middle, Goetz Middle, H. W. Mountz Elementary, Holy Angels Regional, Holy Cross, Iselin Middle, Lake River Middle, Lake Riveria Middle, Lavallette Elementary, Lincoln Elementary, Long Branch Middle, Maple Place Middle, Margate Tighe Middle, Marlboro Elementary, Marlboro Middle, Memorial Elementary, Monmouth Beach Middle, Monmouth Montessori Academy, Monroe Township Middle, Navesink Elementary, Northfield Community, Oak Hill Academy, Ocean City Intermediate, Ocean City Middle, Ocean City Primary, Pleasantville Middle, St. Catharine, St. Dominics Elementary, St. Joseph Elementary, St. Joseph Grade, St. Rose of Lima, Standard Chartered, Thomas Jefferson Middle, Thompson Middle, Thorne Middle, Veterans Memorial Middle, Williamstown Middle, Williamstown Whitehall, Woodrow Wilson Elementary



High Schools

Absegami, Academy Charter, Allentown, Allentown (Leo Club), Biotechnology, Biotechnology (Environmental Club), Blue Mountain, Bound Brook, Brick Memorial (Key Club), Brick Memorial, Camden Catholic, Central Regional, Central Regional (JROTC), Central Regional (Key Club), Central Regional (National Honor Society), Central Regional (Surf Team), Cherry Hill West, Christian Brothers Academy, Cocalico (National Honor Society), Colts Neck, Communications, Donovan Catholic, Donovan Catholic (Marine Biology Club), Edison Academy Magnet, Edison, Freehold Boro, Freehold Regional, Freehold Township, Glen Ridge, Henry Hudson Regional, Holmdel, Howell, Jackson, Jackson Liberty, Jackson Memorial, Keyport, Lacey Township, Lacey Township (Surfriders Club), Long Branch, Lower Cape May Regional, Mainland Regional, Manalapan, Manasquan, Manasquan (Environmental Club), Manchester Regional, Manchester Township, Marine Academy of Science and Technology, Marine Academy of Technology and Environmental Science, Marlboro, Matawan Regional, Middletown (Environmental Club), Middletown (North), Middletown (South), Monmouth Regional, Monmouth Regional (Environmental Club), Monroe (Key Club), Monroe Township, Monroe Township (Key Club), Monsignor Donovan, Mount Saint Dominic Academy, Ocean City, Ocean Club Central, Ocean Township, Pennington, Perth Amboy, Point Pleasant Beach, Point Pleasant Boro, Ramapo, Ranney, Red Bank Catholic, Red Bank Regional, Red Bank Regional (Environmental Club), Robo Rovers FLL, Rumson-Fair Haven, Rumson-Fair Haven (Environmental Club), Sacred Heart Academy, Shore Regional, South Amboy, South Brunswick, South Plainfield, Spotswood, St. John Vianney, St. Rose Catholic,

Stuart Country Day of the Sacred Heart, The Clinton, NYC, Toms River (East), Toms River (North), Toms River (South), University Academy Charter, Verona (Marine Biology Club), Wall, Watchung Hills Regional (Environmental Club), Wildwood Catholic, Wildwood, Wildwood (Eco Club)



Colleges

Atlantic County Institute of Technology, Brookdale (Environmental Club), Brookdale Community College, Brookdale Community College (International Students Association), Brookdale Community College (Student Nurse Association), Burlington County Institute of Technology, Castleton University, Kean University, Middlesex County College, Monmouth University, Ocean County College, Ocean County College (Environmental Club), Ocean County College (Environmental Science), Ocean County College (STARS Club), OCVTS Community Service Leaders, Penn State University, Ramapo College, Raritan Valley Community College, Rider University, Rowan University, Rutgers University, Seton Hall Fraternity & Sorority, Stevens Institute of Technology, Stockton University, The College of New Jersey, Thomas Edison State University



Boy Scouts

Seaside Heights, Point Pleasant, Cub Scout Pack 47, Pack 91, Pack 92 (Lions & Wolves), 122, 131, 137 (Hazlet), 18 (Freehold), 20, 21, 246, 331, 44, 47, 53, 60517, 66, 67, 68, 70, 73, 736, 83, 94 (Sayreville), 97 (Sayreville), Cub Scout 137, Cub Scout 39, Cub Scout 851 (Glen Ridge), 50, 58, 59



Girl Scouts

Avon, Brownie 60582, Daisy 60235, Frontier Girls 633, 110052, 1408, 20, 20004, 20113 Medford Lakes, 2064, 226, 235, 30311, 318, 40547, 431, 559, 571 (Brownies), 60238, 60543, 60821, 81176, Lavallette



Girl Scouts ready to clean up Island Beach State Park



Thompson Middle School volunteers in Monmouth County



Rider University's Women's Volleyball Team at Jenkinson's Aquarium site

Roster of the Ridiculous

The Wackiest Finds Along the Shore & More!



Tide-Tossed Toys: Small Headless Figurine; Ariel Doll; Ball; Ball Pit Ball; Beach Shovel; Carrot Toy; Children's Toy Kitchen; Cocomelon Baby Head; Dino Toy; Disney Princess Tea Set Plate; Dog Toy; Doll: Cowboy Boot, Dress, Leg; Dracula Teeth; Football Cards; Frisbee; Huge Purple Frisbee; Hess Motorcycle Toy; Hula Hoop; Legos; Mickey Toy Sifter; Nerf Bullets; Nerf Dart; Octopus Plastic Beach Toy; Plastic: Monkey, Spider Ring, Sword, Toy Car & Clamp, Zebra; Play-Doh; Rubber Duck; Sand Castle Toy; Squishy Toy; Tiny Toy Hanger; Toy: Cow, Dinosaur, Dolphin, Foot, Frog Head, Ironman, Knife, Pony, Soldier

Sand Dollars: \$5 Bill; 1/2 a Penny; A Dollar Bill and Change; Container of Coins; Coins; Credit Card; Lottery Ticket; Mouse-Shaped Coin Purse; Poker Chip; Ripped \$20 Bill

Go Fish: Boat; Chair, Piece, Piece of a Boat Cabin Door, Seat; Buoy; Clam Basket; Crab Trap; Fishing; Lure, Trap, Net, Rod, Rope, Tackle; Floating Dock; Half a Fishing Pole (w/ Reel); Kayak Seat; Large Balled Up Commercial Fishing Net; Large Rusty Fish Knife; Lobster Buoy; Lobster Trap; Long, Heavy Boat Rope; Metal Cage; Netting; Oyster Cage; Paddle; Piece of a Dock; Piling Bolt; Plastic Anchor; Rubber Tackle; Snorkeling Tube; Waders; Water Chestnut Pot from Hudson River

Drifting Decor: 2nd Place Trophy; "Jingle Bells"; 1/2 a Christmas Wreath; 13 Plastic Heart Shaped Candles; A Twisted Wreath; Artificial Fall Leaves; Bath Mat; Bed; Bedding; Birthday Candle (2); Candles; Chair Pieces; Christmas: Lights, Decorations, Tree (2), Tree Stand; Couch Cushion; Decorative Flag Pole; Easter Eggs; Fake: Flowers, Owl, Plant; Feathers;

Flower Pot; Foam Bed With Sheet; Folding Chair; Garbage Sculpture; Halloween Cup; Halloween Grave Stone; Heart-Shaped Sunglasses; Jesus Figurine; Old Metal Signs; Outdoor Glass Bar Table Frame; Pillow; Pillow Case; Plant Container; Planter; Plastic Easter Egg; Pottery; Pride Flag; Sunflower; Sun Light Bulb; Tall Glass Votive; Tub; TV; Vase

Catch My Drift: 2022 Spring Lake Beach Wristband; Beach Chair; Boat Bag; Boogie Board; Giant Beach Umbrella; Goggles; Ice Cream Sign; Kites; Lawn Chair; Piece of Umbrella; Plastic Container of Fish; Sea Glass; Sea Hear Now Plastic Cups (4); Sea Isle City Trash Can Lid; Shovel; Umbrella; Holder, Pole, Stand; Wetsuit

Don't Touch That! Chemical Cleaners; Dirty Diaper; Dog Poop Bags Filled w/ Dog Poop; Drug Paraphernalia; Jar of Marijuana; Jock Spray; Knife; Knife Case; Knife Holder; Medicine Bottle; Needles; Nipple Cream; Pepper Spray; Pill Bags; Pocket Knife; Pregnancy Test; Razor Blade, Reusable Maxi Pad; Shot Glass; Shotgun Shell; Tampon; Toilet: Box, Piece, Seat; Underwear; Urine; Bottles, Jug, Tester; Vape; Yellow Police Tape; Yellow Squishy Thing

Tonight's Dinner: Backpack Full of Beer Cans; Banana; BBQ; Bottle of Wine; Broken China; Butter Container; Can of Unopened Ravioli; Candy; Chicken Bone; Chicken Wings; Coconut; Coffee Pod; Condiment Packet; Corn Cob; Country Crock Butter; David Burke Cutting Board; Egg Carton; Elmo Plastic Bowl; Fortune From Cookie; Full: 2 Liter Bottle of Coke, Beer Bottle, Can of Red Bull, Container of Wawa Sausage and Eggs; Gallon of Maple Syrup; Grill: Cover, Knob, Rack; Gummies Pack; K-Cup; Large Bottle of Hot Sauce; Mini Vodka Bottles; Mustard Packet; Onion; Peach Pit; Peanut Shell; Pizza; Pizza Box; Pumpkin; Soggy Tortilla; Tea Bag; Uncooked Hams; Wawa Cup from 2000s; Welch's Snack Wrapper; Yogurt Cup

Let's Build it! 9 Feet of Rope; 10-Foot Board; 12-Foot Plumber Sewage Pipe; 2x4 Foot-Piece of Wood; 30-Foot Copper Pipe; Asphalt Chunks; Bags of Soil & Mulch; Barbed Wire; Blacktop; Bolt; Brick; Carpet; Caution Tape; Cement; Ceramic Tile; Chain; Chain Link Fence; Cinder Blocks; Construction Cone; Construction Debris; Construction Sheeting; Drill Bit; Drywall Anchor; Fence; Fence Post; Fencing; Floor Board; Foam Insulation; Hard Hat; High Pressure Tube; Metal: Crate, Danger Sign, Fencing; Lally Column; Light Fixture; Metal Rod; Pole; Rusty Pipe, Signs;



Spike; Stake; Over 10ft Copper Wire; Pallet; Plastic Screw; Pieces of Concrete; Pipes; PVC Pipe; Rebar; Roof Shingles; Roofing; Rubber Molding; Screw; Screwdriver; Shingles; Sidewalk Marker; Sign Post; Spray Foam Insulation; Staircase Railing; Steel Stake from a Sign; Storm Fence Pieces; Strip of Carpet; Tar Paper; Tarp; Telephone Pole; Tool Handle; Traffic Cone; Tubing Coil; Window Covering; Wood with Nails; Wooden Deck Top; Zip Tie



Shore Sports: Badminton: Birdie, Racket; Baseball; Baseball Bat; Basketball; Billard Stick; Diver's Flipper (2); Foam Basketball; Foam Golf Ball; Golf Balls; Golf Tee; Lacrosse Ball; Pickle Ball; Ping Pong Ball; Plastic Baseball Bat; Punching Bag; Rubber Ball; Soccer Ball; Softball; Tennis Balls; Volleyball, Yoga Mat

Coastal Closet: Baby Shoes; Bandana; Barette; Bathing Suits (3); Bedroom Slipper; Birkenstock; Boot; Bracelet; Cane; Claw Clip; Converse Shoes; Crocs; Dress; Eye Glasses (2); Flip Flop; Friendship Bracelets; Fuzzy Monster Foot Slipper; Gloves; Hair: Brush, Clip, Net; Hanger; Hat; Headband; HOKA Sneaker; Hoodie; Jacket; Kids Pants; Large Shoe Insole; Laundry Basket; Long, Thin Black Cape; Matching Pair of Shoes; Men's Underwear; Mini Suitcase; Monster High Halloween Costume; NY Yankees Hat; Pink Watch; Reading Glasses; Sandals (2); Scarf; Scrunchie; Sewing Thimble; Shawl; Shoes; Shoelace, Shoe Sole (2), Shorts; Silly Bandz (Dinosaur); Slippers; Sneaker, Socks, Soggy Shoes, St. Michael Prayer Ring; Suitcase; Sunglasses; Sweatshirt; T Shirt; Tennis Shoe; Vans; Victoria's Secret Bra; Watch; Watch Band; Wrist Band; Yarmulke; Zipper



Wheel-y Good Finds: Automobile Parts; Bike: Light, Lock, Tire, Wheel; Car: Axle with Wheels and Tires, Battery, Freshener, Mat, Part, Pieces, Door Handle; Handlebar Grip; Hood Ornament; Jumper Cable; Large Truck Tire; Lawn Mower Piece; Mercedes Car Part; Metal Car Part; Motor Oil Containers; Oil Drum; Part of Car Key; Pieces of Tires; Road Sign; Rubber Tire; Seat Cushion; Tires; Tire Rims; Truck Hitch

Junk Drawer: Animal Tag; Baby Bottle; Pacifier; Brush; Buttons; Cable; Charcoal; CO2 Cartridges; Colored Clay; Eye Drop Bottle; Eye Glass Lens; Fake Flower Bouquet; Febreze; Gluestick; Guitar Pick; Hackey Sack; Hotel Badge; ID; Inhaler; Leather Lighter Case; Light Bulb; Lighter; Linen Garbage Bags; Lock; Lock w/ no Key; Mesh; Message in a Liquor Bottle; Metal Hanger; Medicine Container; Microplastics; Pacifier; Padlock; Page from The Polar Express; Pen; Piece of Brass; Pull Cord; Reflector; Reusable Bag; Rubber Foot; Rubbermaid Container; Ruler; Scissors; Shredded Paper; Sponges; Spray Bottle Top; Thermometer; Tin Container; Tweezers; Tyvek; Velcro; Whistle

Washed-Up Wildlife: Animal Skeletons; Bird Skeleton w/ Yellow & Black Feathers; Bird Wings; Dead Animal in Black Bag; Dead Bird; Dead Gulls (2); Dead Loon; Dead Seagull; Dead Seahorse; Dead Sting Ray; Dried Sea Star; Fish Bones; Fish Gills; Fish Jaw; Fox Skeleton; Frogs (2); Horseshoe Crab Carcasses (3); Insects; Large Animal Bone; Preserved Sea Horse; Pufferfish; Raccoon Skull

Tech Wreck: AC Unit Parts; Air Pod; Audio Speaker; Batteries; Battery Operated Candle; Cell Phone Case; Cell Phone Screen; Computer Thumb Drive; Charger; Dishwasher; Fake Tree Branches from Cell Phone Tower; Fire Detector; Flashlight; Lamp Wire; Meat Thermometer; Microchip; Old Telephone (push button); Piece of a Computer; Remote Control; Speaker Head; Speakers; Urban Air Tag; USB Charger; USB Cord



Single-Use Items: Amazon Package; Balloons; Band Aid; Beads; Bottle Caps; Bracelet Making Supplies; Bubble Wrap; Camera Film; Champagne Cork; Chop Sticks; Contact Lens; Corks; Dental Floss; Deodorant Cap; Disposable Eye Dropper; Dryer Sheets; Ear Plug; Earplugs; Eye Dropper; Fire Cracker; Firework Tube; Fireworks; Flossers; Glow Stick; Googly Eyes; Hand Warmer; Hand Warmer Wrappers; Huge Balloon; Ink Cartridge; Kite String; Large Cardboard Tubes from Fireworks; Lollipop Sticks; Napkin; Newspapers; Paint Stirrer; Paper Sign; Pom Pom; Rags; Ribbon; Several Balloons with Attached Ribbon; Silica Gel Packages; Straws; String; Styrofoam; Tape

Mermaid's Purse: Axe Body Spray; Bottle of "Obsession for Men" Cologne; Chapstick; Comb; Contact Lens Case; Emery Board; Eye Drops; Eyelashes; Face Paint; Full Bottle of Soap; Hair: Roller, Tie, Brush; Invisalign Retainer; Lash Liner; Lip Gloss; Lipstick; Lotion; Mascara Wand; Maxi Pad; Mirror; Perfume Bottle; Plastic Hair; Pumice for Feet



Everything Else, Including the Sink: 30 Gallon Trash Can; Arrow; Bucket Lid; Bedpan; Binder; Books; Broken: Broken 5 Gallon Buckets (3), Chair, Plastic Basket, Umbrella; Broom; Broom Stick; Bucket; Crate; Cushion; Detergent Bottle; Dog: Bed, Chew Bone, Leash, Shoes; Dryer Vent; Fire Extinguisher; Helium Tank; Hose; Huge Blue Barrel; Inflatable Hot Tub; Inflatable Mattress; Kitchen Chair; Plastic: Barrel, Chair, Coil, Fish, Label, Plant, Pots; Propane Fuel Tank; Rake; Rug (2); Shower

Holder; Sink; Sleeping bag; Steam Vacuum; Stool; Tent: Cable, Fabric, Items, Stake; Tent with Debris

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Target Volunteers in Asbury Park



Bank of America Volunteers in Margate

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COA's team-building Corporate Beach Sweeps program had an excellent year in 2024 with **20** companies and **434** employees removing **26,060 pieces of debris**. 2025 Corporate Beach Sweep applications are now open! Join COA in 2025 to celebrate 20 years of the program! To learn more, call 732-872-0111 or visit CleanOceanAction.org.



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