



# 2022 Results

Saturday, July 23, 2022  
Cleanup Week:

Sat. July 16th to Sun. July 24th

## Total Amount Collected:

3.90 tons / 1,181 people

- Martin County 1.48 tons / 455 people
- Saint Lucie County 1.57 tons / 538 people
- Indian River County .85 tons / 188 people

## Breakdown per region:

### Martin County:

- Martin County 1.48 tons / 455 people
- City of Stuart .83 tons / 83 people
- Peck Lake Reef Dive .12 tons / 51 people

### St. Lucie County:

- Saint Lucie County 1.57 tons / 538 people
- City of Ft. Pierce .66 tons / 189 people
- City of Pt. St. Lucie .51 tons / 89 people

### Indian River County:

- Indian River County .85 tons / 188 people
- City of Vero Beach .23 tons / 101 people
- City of Sebastian .52 tons / 68 people

**Save the Date:**

**Saturday, July 22, 2023**

**Cleanup Week:**

**Sat. July 15th to Sun. July 23rd**

**Summary:** The 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Treasure Coast Waterway Cleanup week had another successful year. The week-long effort was self-reporting and we were able to compliment the effort by hosting our volunteers at 24 cleanup sites from Hobe Sound to Sebastian on Saturday, July 23, 2022.

Together, our team of 1181 volunteers combined to remove 3.90 tons of trash. This compares to 1022 participants who removed 3.87 tons of trash in 2021. With an increased volunteer force, **we collected just .03 tons more than 2021. So our numbers appear to be consistent from the past several years.**

Our results often identify environmental, social and economic trends. Here are a few simple take-aways for 2022:

- Many volunteers continue to report finding less trash than past years
- Smaller items being collected such as, food containers of all kinds, small pieces of plastic, cans & Styrofoam
- Less dumping of large trash items *and no major weather events such as hurricanes (known to create large debris)*
- Together, we are making a difference! Recreational activities (both land and water) are areas that together we can strive to improve

### Miscellaneous Trash:

- Bottles, cans, plastic and glass beverage containers: 5,609 **(5,108 in 2021)**
- Articles of clothing: 403 **(407 in 2021)**
- Straws: 1127 **(1097 in 2021)**
- Fishing Lures: 124 **(168 in 2021)**
- Fishing Poles: 24 **(16 in 2021)**
- Coolers: 23.5 **(39 in 2021)**
- Cigarette Butts: 8,464 **(10,967 in 2021)**
- Face Masks: 177 **(147 in 2021, 2nd year reporting)**
- Gloves: 223 **(132 in 2021)**
- Toys: 152 **(195 in 2021)**
- Golf Balls: 37 **(90 in 2021)**
- Tennis Balls: 13 **(24 in 2021)**

### Unique Items:

- A complete boat (approximately 17' LOA) stranded way up in the mangroves @ Jimmy Graham Park & Boat Ramp
- Antlers
- Train wheel hub
- Propane Tank
- Artificial flowers in multiple locations
- Luggage & garment bag
- Misc auto parts
- Pillsbury cans

**Thank you and see you next year!**