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Beach Clean-Up Results!

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Hi Everyone!

Thank you so much for participating in our Beach Clean-Up this year! We had a very successful day!

I wanted to pass along some of the tallied results from the day, so here they are: We picked up a whopping total of 176.2 lbs. of trash!

The most commonly picked up items were:

- -Cigarette Butts (228)
- -Construction Materials, including GIANT pieces of rusted metal (223)
- -Single-use Plastics (292)
- -Small foam and plastic pieces (941)

The most obscure items found this year were:

- -Steak Knife (1)
- -Diabetic Monitor Patch (1)
- -Shoes (11)

By participating in the clean-up, we are able to better assess major sources of pollution/waste in our area and find ways to address those issues. For example, we saw a lot of single use plastics, which tells us that we need to continue to decrease our use of those items. Thankfully there are plenty of ways to do that, like having a reusable water bottle, bringing your own utensils for lunch, or using a reusable bag at the store. However, by participating in the Beach Clean-Up, you've already taken the first step to help reduce trash pollution!

Once again, thank you so much for your help! We look forward to seeing you all next year!

Best, Tiffany

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