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Nearly 5,000 volunteers pick up nearly 80,000 lbs of trash from Texas beaches during Spring Adopt-A-Beach Cleanup

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AUSTIN — The results for Saturday's 32nd annual Spring Adopt-A-Beach Cleanup by the Texas General Land Office are in. It was a little chillier with scattered showers and high tides in a few spots, but 4,905 volunteers showed up at 25 locations to remove 79,355 pounds of trash from the Texas coastline!

"For 32 years Adopt-A-Beach volunteers have come together to pick up trash and keep Texas clean and beautiful," said Land Commissioner George P. Bush. "This spring, volunteers were not only showing their dedication to keeping our Texas beaches clean, but also helping coastal communities recover and prepare for summer tourism season. Thank you, Adopt-A-Beach volunteers, for helping keep Texas' coastline clean!"

Since 1986, more than 523,000 Adopt-A-Beach volunteers have cleaned more than 9,590 tons of trash from Texas beaches. Cigarette butts, beer cans and plastic bags are among the most common items found. But with each cleanup, plenty of odd and unusual items inevitably are reported. On Saturday, the list of weird stuff found on Texas beaches included:

55-gallon drum	Easter eggs	Nails
Baby bottle	Evidence of illegal dumping - tires, furniture, appliances	Pallets
Bag of clothes	Fire extinguisher	Refrigerator
Barbecue pit filled with fishing line and shoes	Front door to a house	Salt shaker
BBQ Grill	Gas mask	Sharpie permanent marker
Birth control pills	Golf bag	Shotgun Shells
Bleach bottles	Golf balls	Stroller
Blue PVC pipe	Halogen lightbulb	Surfboard
Car bumper	Hard hat	Tires
Car mirror	Hypodermic needles	Toilet lid
Car seat	Insulation	Toothbrushes
Car stereo with tape deck	Kids toys	Trolling boat motor
Cascarones	Lawn chairs	Windshield wipers
Chairs	License plates	

	North Corpus Christi Beach (Bay)	9	195	4,875
	Cole Park (Bay)	3	104	576
	Packery Flats (Bay)	1.5	14	500
	North Padre Island	9	126	2,325
	Aransas Pass (Bay)	1	20	3,500
	County Total	41.5	770	23,142
Matagorda	Sargent Beach	5	192	6,518
	Matagorda Beach	4.5	180	9,000
	Palacios (Bay)	1	29	336
	County Total	10.5	401	15,854
Refugio	Austwell Pier (Bay)	1	21	204
	County Total	1	21	204
San Patricio	Sunset Lake Park, Portland (Bay)	2	48	1,275
	County Total	2	48	1,275
TOTAL	SPRING 2018	134	4,924	79,451
	Total Bay Miles	25.50		
	Total Beach Miles	108.8		
	Total Tons of Trash	39.73		

To learn more about the Adopt-A-Beach program, visit TexasAdoptABeach.org or contact the GLO at 1-877-TX COAST. Like us on Facebook at [Facebook.com/texasadoptabeach](https://www.facebook.com/texasadoptabeach) and follow us on Twitter at [@TXadoptabeach](https://twitter.com/TXadoptabeach).

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