

PRESS RELEASE

VOLUNTEERS COLLECT OVER 58,000 POUNDS OF TRASH AT ADOPT-A-BEACH COASTWIDE CLEANUP

Biennial cleanup event hosted more than 3,500 volunteers to beautify 136 miles of Texas coastline

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AUSTIN — Volunteers from all over Texas participated in the Adopt-A-Beach 2021 Coastwide Fall Cleanup that took place this past weekend on Saturday September 18. The 3,559 volunteers worked together to clean 19 locations along the Texas coast, collecting a total of 58,671 pounds of trash.

"Less than a week after Hurricane Nicholas made landfall, Texans from all corners of the state joined together to help keep our beaches clean," said Texas Land Commissioner George P. Bush. "This collaboration between the GLO, Adopt-A-Beach sponsors, and the public shows Texans' strong commitment to ensuring our beaches remain enjoyable for families and sustainable for wildlife. I thank all who took part in this past weekend's cleanup and look forward to the future successes of our Adopt-A-Beach program."

2021 Fall Cleanup Results

The next coastwide cleanup will take place on Saturday, April 9, 2022. Volunteers can find more information at www.texasadoptabeach.org and are encouraged to take part in a fun-filled day of giving back and taking care of the Texas coast.

The Texas General Land Office Adopt-A-Beach program began in the fall of 1986, when 2,800 volunteers picked up 124 tons of trash. Since then, more than half a million volunteers have removed over 9,761 tons of trash from Texas beaches.

Texans who are not able to attend the cleanup can help keep our beaches clean by making a tax-deductible donation online at www.TexasAdoptABeach.org. There are several different Adopt-A-Beach sponsorship levels ranging from \$25 to \$25,000, allowing both individuals and corporations to contribute to this major cleanup effort.

Volunteers help clean up a beach near the U.S.S Lexington Museum in Corpus Christi, Texas.

A volunteer picks up debris during the Adopt-A-Beach Fall Cleanup near North Beach, Corpus Christi, Texas.

This year's state sponsors include HEB, Unilever, ExxonMobil, Great Lakes Dredge & Dock, Flint Hills Resources, NOAA, the Coastal Management Program, Altos Planos/Mijenta Tequila, iwi Life and Ocean Conservancy.

To learn more about the Adopt-A-Beach program, visit TexasAdoptABeach.org and follow us on [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#).