

THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT PLASTIC DEBRIS

Learn more about why cleaning up our beaches is important!

1. Plastic in the ocean never goes away

While plastic continues to break down into smaller pieces, it is always there.



2. Microplastics are found everywhere

These little pieces of plastic, smaller than 0.2 inches, are in our water, air, food, and bodies.

3. Debris can cause harm to marine animals and ecosystems



4. Plastic absorbs toxic chemicals

These plastic pieces take in substances from their surroundings. Debris can then go up the food chain via bioaccumulation.

5. Follow the R's to make an impact

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Refuse, Repair, Repurpose, Rot, and Rethink.

