

CLEAR CHOICES CLEAN WATER LITTER

Whether it was on purpose or on accident, litter is litter. Keep your community clean by properly disposing of your trash.

Take the pledge to reduce your litter at: <https://indiana.clearchoicescleanwater.org/pledges/litter/>
#cleanwater #litter #UglyJourneyofTrash



How does our trash make its way to the ocean? Watch this video to see the ugly journey of our trash.

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Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fzFqELV3P3w>

SWIMMING IN IT

A BY-THE-NUMBERS LOOK AT HOW MARINE ANIMALS ARE IMPACTED BY OCEAN TRASH

- 700** SPECIES OF ANIMALS ARE SEVERELY THREATENED BECAUSE OF OCEAN WASTE.
- 22 MILLION** TONS (20 MILLION MT) OF CARBON DIOXIDE IS ABSORBED BY THE OCEAN EACH DAY BECAUSE OF TRASH.
- 10%** OF ALL DEAD ANIMALS FOUND IN BEACH CLEANUPS WORLDWIDE WERE ENTANGLED IN PLASTIC BAGS.
- 443** ANIMALS AND BIRDS WERE FOUND TRAPPED BY MARINE DEBRIS DURING A RECENT INTERNATIONAL COASTAL CLEANUP.
- 5 TRILLION** PIECES OF PLASTIC (NOT INCLUDING MICROBEADS) ARE FLOATING IN THE WORLD'S SEAS.
- 90%** OF SEABIRDS EAT PLASTIC TRASH.
- 20%** OF FISH FOUND DURING ONE EXPEDITION HAD PLASTIC IN THEIR STOMACHS.
- 52%** OF SEA TURTLES WORLDWIDE HAVE ACCIDENTALLY EATEN PLASTIC TRASH IN THE OCEAN.

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Plastics, useful for minutes, harmful for decades. Sometimes it can be hard to avoid single use plastics when they are used in every industry. When you can't avoid using them recycle them instead of throwing them in the trash. It may take longer to figure out how to recycle it and to clean it of any food residue, but it's worth the effort if it means less trash in our waterways!

Take our Litter pledge and choose to reuse! <https://indiana.clearchoicescleanwater.org/pledges/litter/>
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We challenge YOU to make a difference! Set a goal for one week, one month, or every other weekend, to pick up trash whenever you see it. You'd be surprised what a difference you'll make while creating a new habit.

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