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Countywide Cleanup Yields Impressive Results!

San Diego County, CA - While the Creek to Bay Cleanup has come and gone, one thing still remains -- the community pride felt by thousands of San Diego residents who showed their support for our local environment by spending a few hours restoring it at today's 11th Annual Creek to Bay Cleanup.

Preliminary totals from the event suggest that roughly 6,000 volunteers participated this morning, removing more than 100,000 pounds of trash. Participants scattered across a record 90 cleanup sites countywide. From a staggering 495 volunteers at Poway Lake to a small but mighty group of 6 volunteers at Sunshine Park, the local environment is a lot cleaner thanks to the efforts of today's participants. A group of 25 boaters even took to the water to clean up San Diego Bay by boat!

Some of the most unusual items removed at today's cleanup included:

- A trumpet found at Cactus County Park in Lakeside (see picture attached)
- A waterbed at Sunshine Park along Chollas Creek
- A brick of salami from Fiesta Island

This year's Creek to Bay Cleanup was well attended by local elected officials who recognize the importance of pollution prevention measures like cleanups. San Diego City Councilmembers Mark Kersey (D5), Scott Sherman (D7), David Alvarez (D8), and Marti Emerald (D9) attended sites in their districts, along with County Supervisors Greg Cox (D1) and Dave Roberts (D3), and Congresswoman Susan Davis.

Today's kick off at Grant Hill Park in Sherman Heights featured many corporate volunteer teams as well as members of the local community. Attendees painted park benches, trash cans, and storage sheds, as well as removed trash and stenciled storm drains with pollution prevention messages. More information will be available in the coming days at www.CreekttoBay.org.

About I Love A Clean San Diego

I Love A Clean San Diego is the go-to organization for programs that enhance and conserve San Diego's environment. Through recycling, education, and cleanups of our most beloved areas, I Love a Clean San Diego is the only community based organization dedicated to the future of the entire county – from inland to the coast, in every community, for generations to come. For more information, visit www.cleansd.org.

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