

**Vero Beach Lifeguard Association  
Monthly Beach Report  
For  
Jaycee Park  
Humiston Park  
South Beach Park**

**November 2017**



**Our Mission:  
To promote lifeguarding and water safety in Vero  
Beach and the surrounding communities**

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STATISTICS	
Total Park Attendance	55,320
Preventative Actions	934
Minor Medicals	14
Major Medicals	1
Rescues	1
Average Water Temperature	75
Beach Erosion	Replenishing
Stinging Marine Life	Low

### **General Conditions**

Large amounts of seaweed, wood and plastics have been deposited on our beaches. The sand that was pulled into the surf zone is slowly being re-deposited on the beach. Water temperatures are slowly dropping. Dunes are forming as winds and currents bring back some of the sand. The City's beaches are being groomed by a subcontractor from November through February. Attendance doubled from last month as weather conditions improved. Lifeguards rescued 1 person from a rip current bringing the total number of water rescues to 18 in 2017. All swimmers are advised to pay close attention to beach condition signs and flags, swim near lifeguard towers and avoid swimming during non-guarded hours.

### **Areas of Progress**

The City of Vero Beach is repairing and replacing beach structures and equipment damaged by Irma and many citizens and organizations have taken it upon themselves to conduct additional beach clean ups.

## **Areas of Concern**

There have been numerous complaints about the beach grooming efforts performed by the subcontractor hired by the City of Vero Beach. City officials are working with the subcontractor to improve the effort. The blue recycle bins have not been placed back on the beach since Hurricane Irma.

### **Key**

Park Attendance: includes areas immediately north and south of each park

Preventative Actions: stopping potential incidents before they occur

Minor Medicals: a medical incident which is treated on-site by lifeguard/EMT personnel

Major Medicals: a medical incident that required Emergency Medical Services

### **About VBLA**

This report is furnished by the Vero Beach Lifeguard Association, a non-profit, 501C3 organization. Its mission is to promote water safety and lifeguarding in Vero Beach and the surrounding communities. Contact us at

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Donations are appreciated. Monies raised are used to purchase equipment, supplies, staffing and training for the lifeguards from the city of Vero Beach.

Please send donations to: VBLA, 1351 White Heron Lane, Vero Beach, FL 32963.