# **Sandoway Discovery Center**

### **Celebrating a Year of Impact!** Funded in part by the City of Delray Beach









# Reaching the Community Every Day..

# Welcomed over 17,000 visitors!



# Taught thousands through our public programs including shark and stingray feedings, aquarium feedings, animal encounters, Discovery Series and Young Scientists Programs



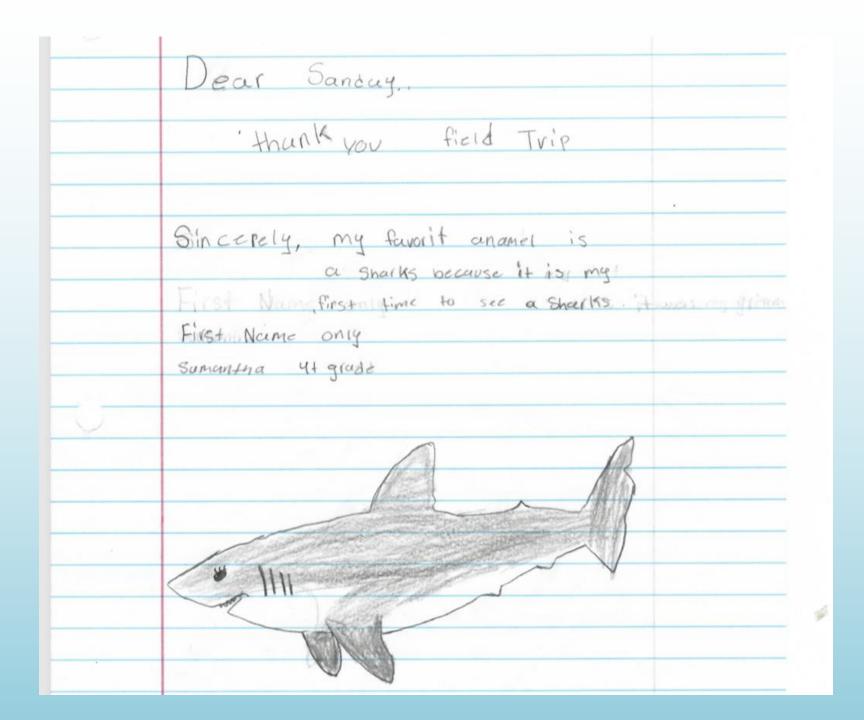


Building Our Next Generation of Stewards and Scientists through environmental education...

# **Junior Naturalist Program**

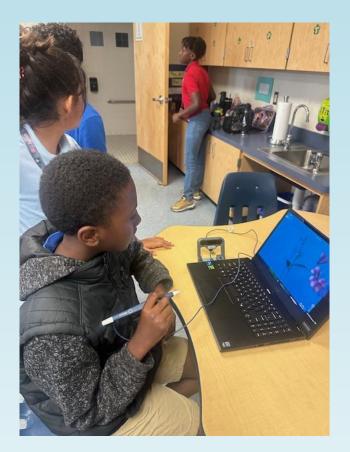


- Taught over 5,308 students
- 3,711 were from Title 1 schools or from underserved communities
- Many have never seen the ocean before or its inhabitants!



#### Taught over 400 students through our Science Leadership Academy





• Taught plant structure, reproduction, photosynthesis and pollination

• Improved comprehension and application of scientific concepts among students

 Provided free transportation for 379 students from Galaxy and Banyan Creek Elementary

• Increased test scores shown through pre and post tests

• Provided additional educational assistance via outreach classes in their classrooms

• Exposure to 3D computer models

### Taught 684 students through our Nature Series Outreach Program and over 700 students through our Roots and Wings Partnership

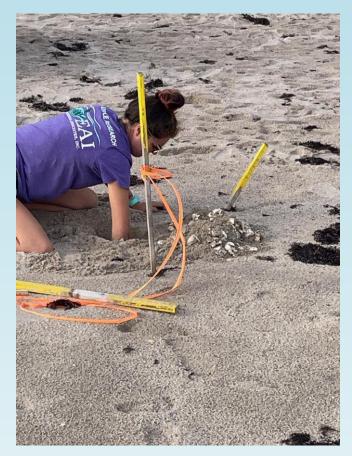


## **Protecting Our Coastal Ecosystem...**

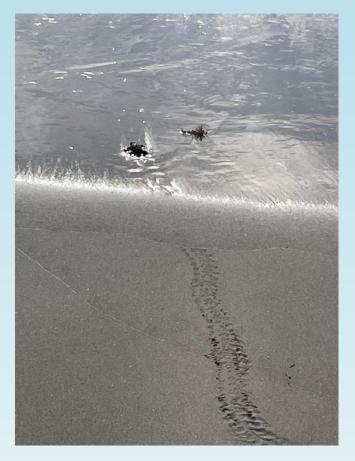


**Partnered** with the City of **Delray Beach** on two beach clean-ups removing HUNDREDS of pounds of garbage from **Delray's** beaches.

#### Partnered with the City of Delray Beach and EAI on Sea Turtle Nest Excavations and Hatchling Releases







#### Partnered with the City of Delray Beach to provide environmental education activities to secure Blue Flag Certification



# Powered by Passion...

# **Hired Two New Employees**

#### **Aquarist: Alyssa Frank**



#### **Naturalist: Candi Holzsager**



# Trained and developed interns and volunteers

Over 35 volunteers helped Sandoway throughout the year along with 3 interns.







# **Continued our partnership with EJS**

#### Josiah



#### Patrick



# Investing in Our Future...

#### **Rebuilt Our Reptile and Amphibian Room**





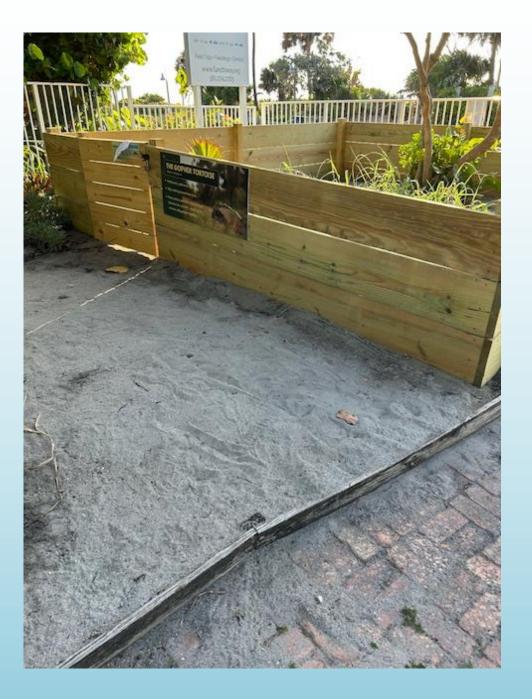


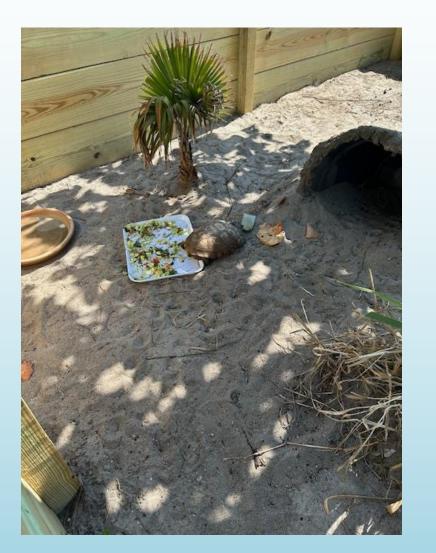
**Constructed** an artificial reef of the Inchulva for one of our shark tanks bringing local history to life and educating about the importance of these structures out in our oceans.

# Beautified our garden which is used in many of our educational classes.









**Built a new Gopher Tortoise** enclosure outside were Maggie, our rehabilitated **Gopher Tortoise** can live out her life as an animal ambassador teaching thousands of visitors and students about their importance in the ecosystem.

## Milestones Worth Celebrating...

Raised over \$60,000 during our annual Muscle On the Beach fundraiser!









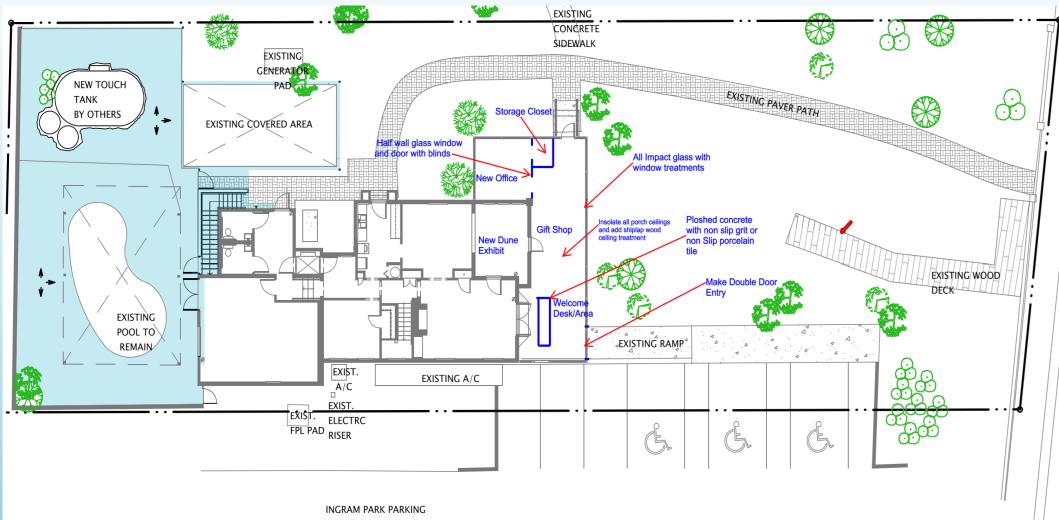
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## Won Non-Profit of the Year!



# Started construction on our new porch!















#### Thank you so much for the continued support of Sandoway Discovery Center! We are proud to serve the Delray community and teach thousands about the importance of our coastal ecosystems.

