



Protecting the unique habitats and cultures of islands worldwide

Mission

Seacology protects the threatened habitats of the world's islands by working directly with local communities to both conserve their natural resources and improve their quality of life.

Approach

Seacology provides a **tangible benefit** to a community, such as a new school building or health clinic, in exchange for the community's support in **establishing marine or forest reserves**. Since 1991, Seacology has launched **almost 300 projects** on islands in **more than 50 countries** and protected about 1.3 million acres of some of the world's most vulnerable ecosystems.

Why islands?

Due to their isolation and unique conditions, islands are hotbeds of biodiversity, home to an array of rare species, many of which live nowhere else in the world. This makes entire species vulnerable to relatively small, localized environmental disruptions. In fact, island species account for roughly 80% of all recorded extinctions in the past 400 years.

History



Leadership

Our small staff is based in Berkeley, California, but our network of field representatives stretches across the globe. We have affiliates in England, Germany, Japan, and Norway. We're led by a passionate Board of Directors and supported by a lineup of prestigious scientists and researchers on our Scientific Advisory Board.

Recognition

- Global Vision Award *Travel+Leisure Magazine (2006)*
- Global Sustainable Tourism Blue Award *Islands Magazine (2007)*
- Laureate, Prince's Prize for Innovative Philanthropy *Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation, Tocqueville Foundation (2015)*
- Top-Rated Nonprofit *Greatnonprofits.org (multiple years)*

Finances

In 2016, approximately 65% of Seacology's support came from individual donors, with the remainder from foundations, corporations, and Seacology affiliates. Of our \$2.36 million total expenditures, 84% was allocated to program costs.

Charity Navigator has ranked Seacology a four-star charity for our efficiency and transparency.

Expenses

- Conservation programs
- Management and General
- Fundraising



Public support

- Donations and bequests
- Foundation grants
- In-kind contributions



Get involved

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Subscribe: Sign up for our e-newsletter at seacology.org/news/newsletter or find us on Facebook or Twitter.

Attend the Seacology Prize Ceremony: Every year, we honor a leader in the field of island conservation at an event in Berkeley, California. The ceremony is held each October and is free and open to the public. See seacology.org/prize for details.