



Protecting the unique habitats and cultures of islands worldwide

Mission

Seacology protects the threatened habitats of the world's islands. We work 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 or enforcing a marine or forest reserve**. Since 1991, Seacology has launched **more than 300 projects** on islands in **61 countries** and protected over 1.3 million acres of some of the world's most vulnerable ecosystems.

Why islands?

Due to their isolation, islands are hotbeds of biodiversity. Many are home to species, that live nowhere else in the world. This makes entire species vulnerable to 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 multiple countries, are led by a passionate board of directors, and have the support of 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)*
- Momentum for Change award *United Nations (2018)*

Finances

In 2018, about 60% of Seacology's support came from individual donors, with the remainder from foundations, corporations, and Seacology affiliates. Of our \$3 million in total expenditures, 86% was allocated to program costs.

Seacology has a four-star rating from Charity Navigator, and is a Guidestar Platinum member, both services' highest scores for 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 social media.

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.