

An underwater photograph showing a school of small, blue, oval-shaped fish swimming above a coral reef. The water is a deep blue, and the coral is a mix of brown and green. The fish are mostly facing left, with some swimming towards the right. The coral reef is in the lower half of the image, with many small, branching structures.

ANNUAL REPORT 2025



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LIVINGSEAS FOUNDATION ANNUAL REPORT 2025: A Milestone Year in Review

Why is this all necessary?

Coral reefs are among the most vital and diverse ecosystems on our planet, yet they are facing unprecedented threats from global warming. Rising ocean temperatures, intensifying marine heat waves, and record-breaking sea levels are causing widespread coral bleaching and accelerating the decline of these fragile habitats. The urgency is clear: without immediate and concrete action, we risk losing not only the reefs themselves but also the countless species and coastal communities that depend on them for survival.

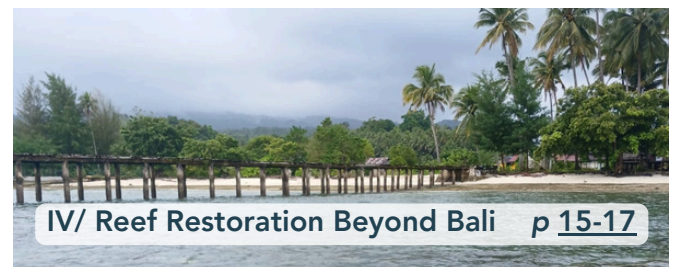
What have we been up to in 2025?

This report provides a comprehensive overview of Livingseas Foundation's activities and achievements throughout 2025. Within these pages, you will find a detailed account of our progress in coral reef restoration, including significant milestones reached, such as the planting of our 200,000th and 300,000th corals. The report highlights our ongoing projects across Indonesia and Thailand, showcases the expansion of our nursery operations, and documents our collaborative efforts with partners, donors, and local communities.

In addition to project updates, the report features key impact figures, financial summaries, and insights into our educational outreach and awareness initiatives. By presenting both quantitative data and personal stories from the field, we aim to offer a transparent and inspiring narrative of our work in 2025. This annual report is both a record of what we have accomplished and a foundation for the continued growth and impact of our mission in the years ahead.

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Dive Right In



I. RAISING AWARENESS: The Foundation of all lasting Conservation



"Why Technology Alone Won't Save Our Reefs", L. Boey @TEDx Singapore

Watch Leon Boey at TEDx Singapore in November 2025. In the face of climate loss, he offers a radically accessible path to regeneration.

I. RAISING AWARENESS: The Foundation of all lasting Conservation

Reaching beyond the Surface

Reversing the decline of coral reefs requires more than just conservation projects—it requires sparking widespread awareness and action. Raising awareness is always our first step, because knowledge is the spark that transforms concern into meaningful change. Our mission is to educate and inspire as many people as possible—from environmental scientists and conservation professionals to students and, most importantly, the wider public, who have often been left out of traditional marine conservation conversations despite their crucial role in driving collective action.

A multi-faceted Approach for a broad Audience

To reach as many people as possible, Livingseas Foundation employs a multi-faceted approach. In 2025, we participated in various public speaking events—some with thousands of participants—such as TEDx and carefully curated online events, including Climate Action Day 2025. These platforms enable us to engage directly with climate professionals, environmental scientists, conservationists, and policymakers, sharing both the urgency of the crisis and the hope that restoration brings.

While engaging experts is essential, we place particular emphasis on reaching the broader public—individuals from all walks of life, regardless of their background or prior knowledge of marine science. We believe that the responsibility for protecting coral reefs extends beyond the scientific community to society as a whole. By presenting complex scientific concepts in accessible ways, we empower people everywhere to become informed advocates for coral reef conservation within their communities and networks.

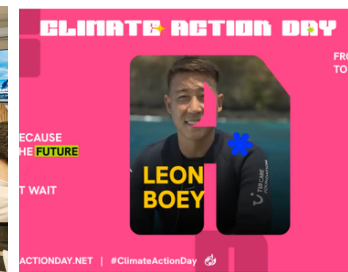
Foundation of lasting Conservation

Through this multi-faceted approach—combining high-profile speaking engagements with grassroots education—Livingseas Foundation is building a movement that bridges the gap between science and society. We believe that when people understand what is at stake, they are inspired to act, whether by supporting reef restoration projects, advocating for sustainable policies, or simply spreading the word.

In the face of mounting environmental challenges, raising awareness is not just a program—it is the foundation of all lasting conservation.



(left) Leon Boey at the AlterCOP 30, Oct-Nov 2025, Singapore. (right) Livingseas featured in RiseUp, vol 30, Nov 2025.



(left) Leon Boey at the NSEW2050 talk, Feb 2025, Singapore. (right) Climate Action Day 2025, online.



(left) "From reef rubble to recovery: How Livingseas Asia is leading tourism in Bali", The Good Tourism Blog, 7 Dec 2025. (right) Coral Restoration Consortium (CRC), Storytelling Hub, April 2025.

Gold for the Reef

In October 2025, we were absolutely thrilled to receive the Gold Sustainability Award from Exo Travel for our commitment to advancing climate action, fostering a circular economy, and regenerating nature.



II. EDUCATION FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE: Training Programs for Indonesian Marine Science Students



Focus on Youth Training

Training opportunities for local youth in Indonesia focused on coral reef restoration are crucial, as the need for skilled individuals in conservation efforts grows. Training programs not only educate young people about the importance of healthy coral reefs but also encourage innovation and hands-on experience, empowering them to actively participate in restoring and protecting their marine environments.

II. EDUCATION FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE: Training Programs for Indonesian Marine Science Students

Local Youth to spread the Knowledge

Indonesia is an island nation. The latest count of islands in the archipelago stands at 17,024 (named and listed). It's of the utmost importance that we focus our training programs in this great nation, and educate not only Balinese youth, but more importantly, students from other Indonesian islands - so that they can bring the knowledge home, and hopefully start their own restoration project.

Cooperation with domestic Universities

In July 2025, eight marine science students from two higher education institutions, the Universitas Brawijaya (Fakultas Perikanan dan Ilmu Kelautan) and the Universitas Mataram, embarked on a six-week enriching internship program at Livingseas in Padangbai, Bali. The program was meticulously designed to provide students with practical experiences and a platform to apply their academic knowledge in real-world settings.

Deepening scientific Skills and Knowledge

Throughout the internship, each student engaged in individual projects reflecting their unique interests within marine science. For instance, Latifah Fajrial focused her efforts on analyzing reef fish communities within a restoration site, comparing them to those of a natural reef. She expressed her motivation, stating,

My project focuses on analyzing reef fish communities in a restoration site and comparing them to those in a natural reef. I'm very interested in seeing how marine life returns when restoration efforts take place.



Fajrial Latifah
Universitas Brawijaya

Similarly, Galih Wening Pratitis Sitompul dedicated his project to identifying the diversity of sea stars and giant clams. He shared, "I chose this topic because of my strong interest in marine invertebrates. Both sea stars

and giant clams are indicators of healthy marine environments, and I was curious to discover their presence at the Livingseas Coral Restoration Site."

I chose to evaluate the condition of coral reefs (...) and identify the factors that influence their condition. With a strong focus on reef restoration, my internship provided me with invaluable insight and experience.

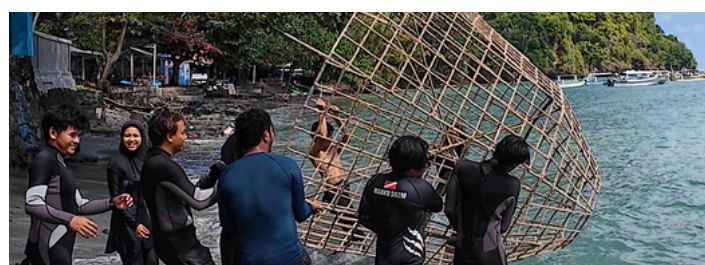


Saleh Hansa
University of Mataram

Other students pursued varied aspects of marine science, with Muhammad Ilham Farisi focusing on coral fish monitoring techniques through the UVC (Underwater Visual Census) method, and Wahyu Agung Ramdan exploring transplantation techniques and coral growth rates using the table method. Wahyu noted, "I was interested in transplantation, the techniques, and the methods used for transplantation."

The Octodome - one common project

While working on their individual projects, the group collaborated on a significant collective initiative: the Octodome. This ambitious project aimed to construct the largest reef structure ever attempted by Livingseas, promoting coral growth and restoring biodiversity. It symbolizes the students' dedication to marine restoration and stands as a testament to the students' hard work and passion for the marine conservation.



Internship participants from Universitas Brawijaya and University of Mataram are transporting the Octodome from the beach to the boat.



II. EDUCATION FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE: Training Programs for Indonesian Marine Science Students

The Octodome

The Octodome is constructed from metal rods welded together to form an octagonal framework. Standing about 3m high and 2.5m wide at its base, the design maximizes structural stability while providing ample surface area for coral attachment.

After assembly, the Octodome was coated with sand to mimic natural substrates, promoting coral growth. It holds 1,200 coral fragments and was fully planted 3 days after installation.

II. EDUCATION FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE: Experiential Learning Programs - Secondary & Higher Education

Secondary and Higher Education Programs

We are pleased to report that in 2025, we experienced a notable increase in engagement from secondary and higher education institutions at our restoration site. Over (insert number) high school students and (insert number) students from colleges and universities—representing both domestic and international institutions—participated in our programs throughout the year. The majority of these students attended our signature one-day coral workshop, while several groups participated in customized programs that included additional activities such as beach clean-ups, hands-on reef structure installation, and diving components.



WCE - King Edward VI School, UK, 31 Jul 2025.



Bali Island School,
19 May/11 Dec 2025.



Christian
Alliance
International
School Hong
Kong, 6 Mar
2025.



St-Joseph's Institution, Singapore, 22 Nov 2025.



National University of Singapore,
8 June 2025.



ASC Jakarta, 30 Nov to 2 Dec 2025



Nanyang Technological University, Singapore,
24 May 2025.



Sekolah Pelita Harapan, Indonesia,
3 April 2025



Experiential Learning at the Core

All of our educational initiatives are grounded in the principles of experiential learning. Rather than relying solely on traditional lectures, our programs immerse participants in direct, hands-on experiences that encourage active involvement and critical reflection. Learners are guided to “learn by doing,” engaging deeply with each activity, analyzing outcomes, drawing insights from their experiences, and applying these lessons to new challenges. This approach not only fosters a deeper understanding of marine conservation but also inspires participants to make a lasting commitment to environmental stewardship.

III. REEF RESTORATION IN NUMBERS: Impact Stats, Visitor Info, Financial Overview 2025



Measurable Impact for the Ocean

Clear, tangible and transparent - our overview of the reef restoration impact in 2025.

By sharing growth trends, key milestones, and financial summaries, we are demonstrating the scale of our efforts and underscoring our commitment to accountability and lasting impact in coral reef conservation.

REEF RESTORATION IN NUMBERS:

Restored Reef Area, Coral Count, Structures

Impact in Numbers

(Dec. 31, 2025)



7.309m²

SEABED REVITALIZED

356.138
CORALS PLANTED



7.926

REEF STRUCTURES

Livingseas Total Impact

"Impact in Numbers" presents a quantitative summary of our achievements, including the total reef area restored, the number of corals planted, and the reef structures deployed. These figures encompass Livingseas Coral Restoration Sites in Padangbai, as well as all other Livingseas restoration initiatives in Bali, Lombok, and Java, in addition to partner and consultancy projects across Indonesia and Thailand.



93%

93% increase in restored reef area between 2024 and 2025, combining all restoration projects and partnerships.

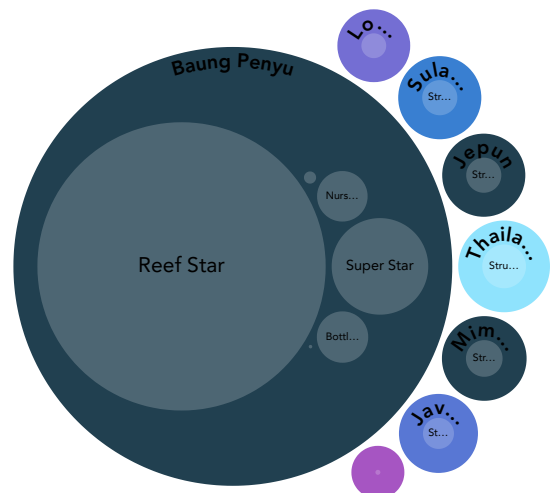
Milestones in Coral Restoration

2025 was a positive year for the reef, marked by significant advancements in restoration and conservation efforts. Through the sustained implementation of our programs, we observed measurable growth in reef coverage and health, contributing to enhanced ecosystem resilience. In just one year, we almost doubled the restored reef area.



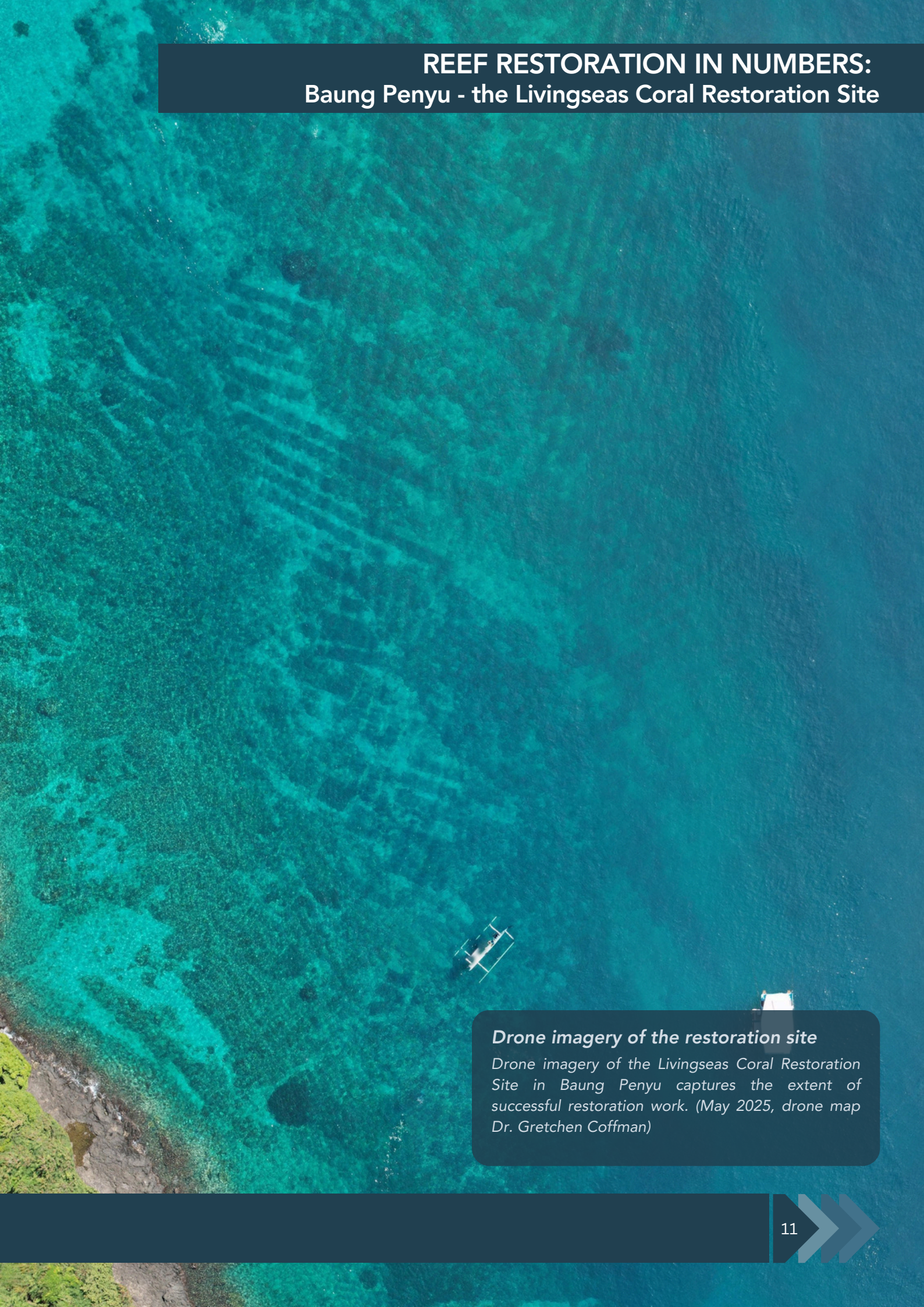
Restoration Sites by Location

of reef substrate (structures) installed and fully planted, 2025



The Livingseas Coral Restoration Site is located on the North-East Coast of Bali. It starts in front of Baung Penyu ("Turtle's Neck"), a rocky outcrop below the Silayukti temple on the outskirts of the village, and extends towards Amuk Bay.

We reached two major milestones in our coral restoration efforts by planting our 200,000th and 300,000th corals. These achievements were made possible by our dedicated operations and the generous support of an anonymous donor, which allowed us to scale up our nursery operations. This expansion increased our capacity for coral propagation and restoration, reinforcing our commitment to the long-term recovery of coral reef ecosystems.



REEF RESTORATION IN NUMBERS: Baung Penyu - the Livingseas Coral Restoration Site

Drone imagery of the restoration site

Drone imagery of the Livingseas Coral Restoration Site in Baung Penyu captures the extent of successful restoration work. (May 2025, drone map Dr. Gretchen Coffman)

REEF RESTORATION IN NUMBERS: Baung Penyu - the Livingseas Coral Restoration Site

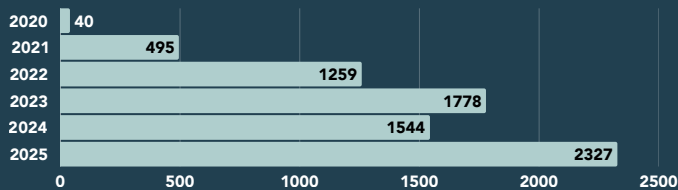
Livingseas Restoration Site

Work on the site started in 2019, and by the end of 2025, the site accounted for 95% of all reef substrate (structures) produced and installed.

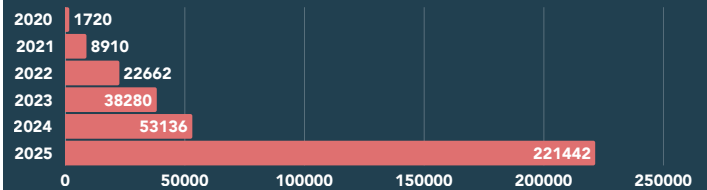
 **95%**

*The smaller restoration projects along the coast (Mimpang and Jepun) that serve as control sites are included in Baung Penyu figures.

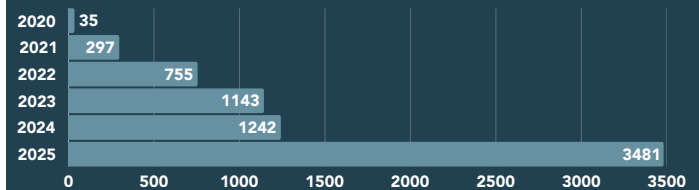
Reef Structures (2020 - 2025)



Corals Planted (2020 - 2025)

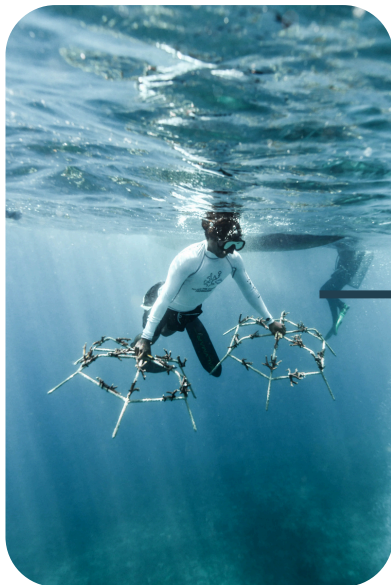


Restored Reef m² (2020 - 2025)



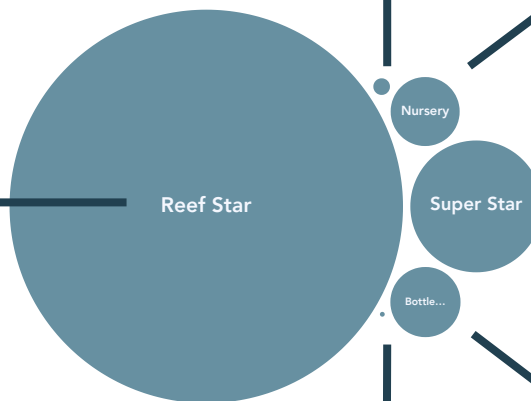
Types of Reef Structures

Livingseas works with 6 different types of structures. The core structure is the reef star, welded metal rods in form of a star, resin-coated and sanded, with a surface area of 0.6m².



Two fully planted reef stars (2x18 corals) on their way to installation on the seafloor.

Reef and Super Stars are either planted on the pontoon before installation or directly underwater after installation.



A coral table



Nursery

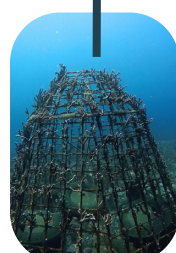


Super Star



Fully planted super star (30 corals) installed on the restoration site.

Bottle...



The Octodome



Bottle reefs on the beach prior to installation.

Coral nurseries are constructed from metal mesh - they hold 1,000 coral fragments.

REEF RESTORATION IN NUMBERS: Site Visit Figures

Restoration Site Visits

We offer a diverse range of programs and opportunities designed to engage the general public, encouraging visits to our restoration site to learn about coral reef ecosystems and actively participate in restoration.

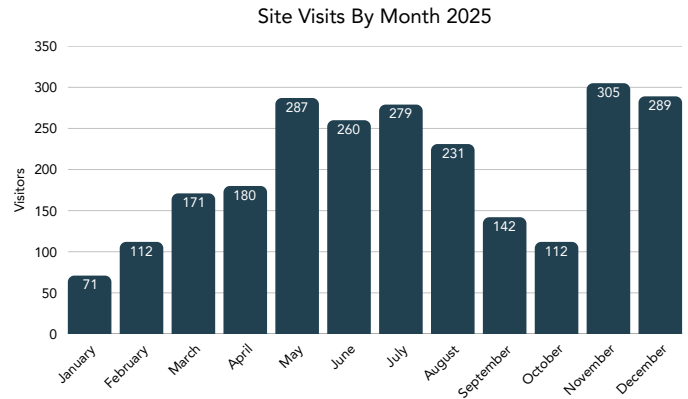


2025 saw a 40% increase in site visits by the general public over the previous year, including multiple visits by the same person.

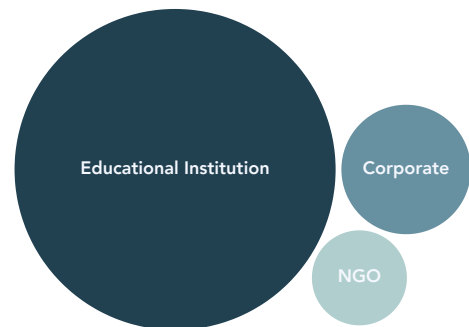
Our offerings are structured into several categories. Dive Experiences and Dive Education programs introduce participants to coral restoration within the broader context of diving, where restoration is addressed but is not the primary focus. In contrast, our Coral Conservation Activities, Experiential Learning Programs, and Conservation Experiences are specifically focused on reef restoration, serving as the primary motivation for site visits.

We are pleased to report that in 2025, the restoration site welcomed many more visitors. Notably, programs focused on core reef restoration accounted for the majority of site visits, reflecting growing public interest and engagement in our conservation mission.

(right) Participants (%) by type of organization - visit category
Experiential Learning Programs →

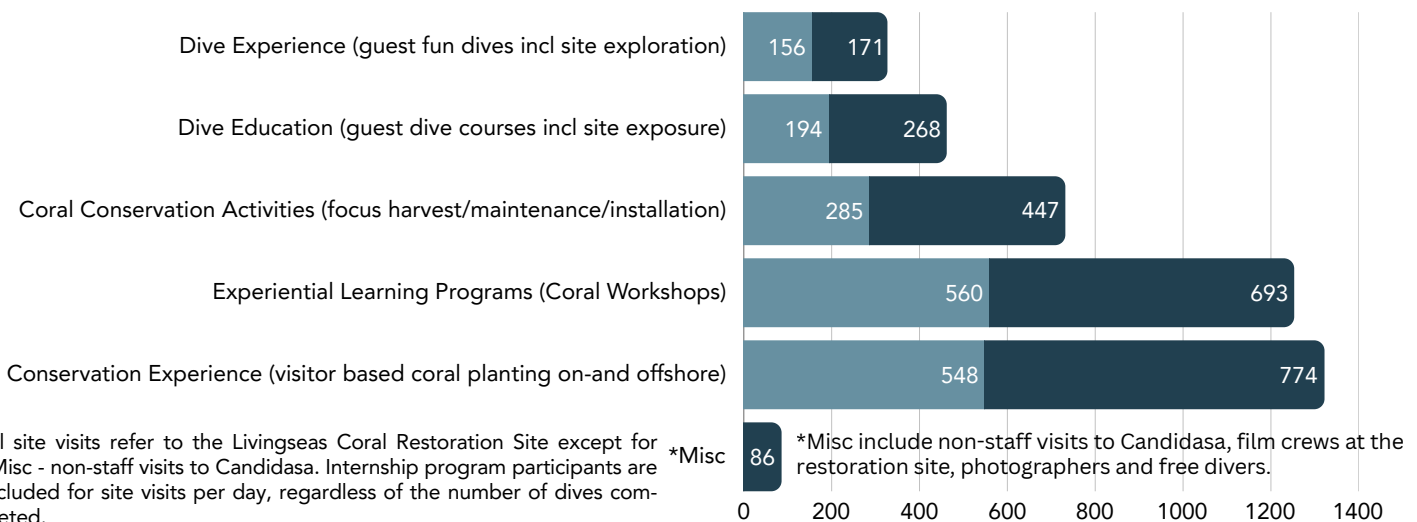


We can identify two main peak seasons: the first, from spring into summer (May, June, July, August), and the second, in late fall (November and December), traditionally driven by the main school holidays world-wide. May and November numbers are strongly influenced by site visits from secondary and higher education institutions.



Comparison Site Visits 2024 and 2025

2024 2025



All site visits refer to the Livingseas Coral Restoration Site except for *Misc - non-staff visits to Candidasa. Internship program participants are included for site visits per day, regardless of the number of dives completed.

*Misc include non-staff visits to Candidasa, film crews at the restoration site, photographers and free divers.

REEF RESTORATION IN NUMBERS:

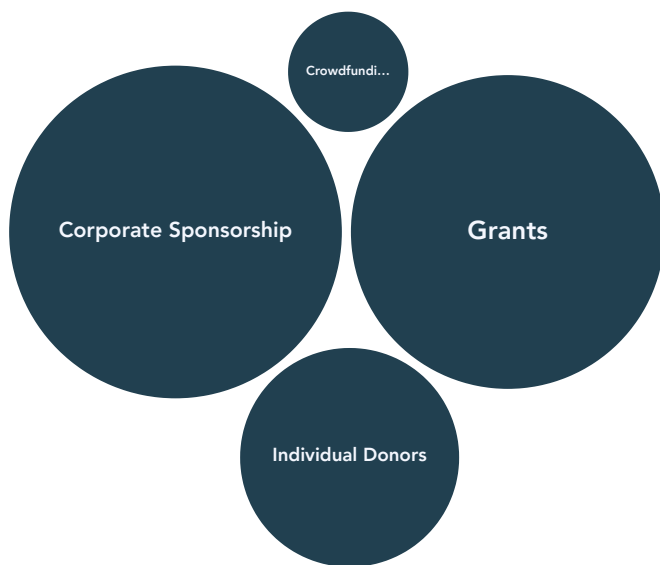
Financial Overview 2025

Financial Overview

The Livingseas Foundation is proud to share that 2025 was a year of significant growth. Our organization made a meaningful impact in our community and beyond, and we continue to prioritize transparency as a foundation for trust with our supporters and stakeholders. This financial overview provides a snapshot of our fiscal health,

highlighting revenues, expenditures, and funding sources for the year. The majority of our financial support in 2025 came through individual and corporate sponsorships, primarily in the form of purchasing reef structures. We remain dedicated to maximizing our impact and maintaining strong financial stability.

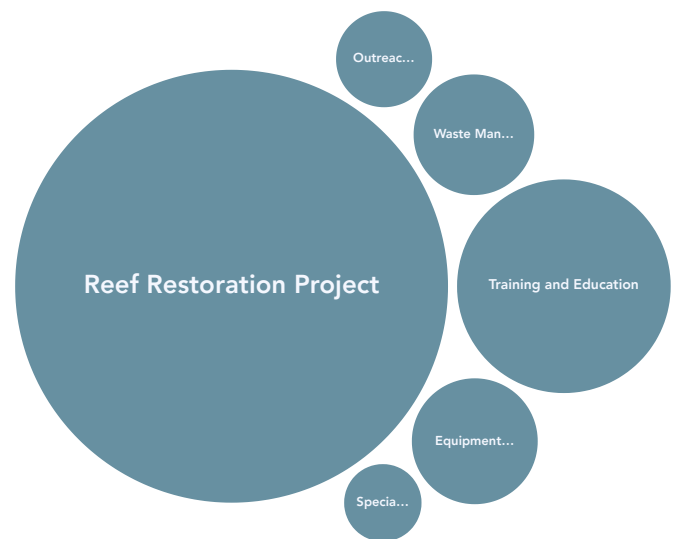
Revenue 2025



Income	%	IDR
Individual Donations	18	355,813,500
Corporate Sponsorship	41	821,184,000
Grants	36	730,369,709
Crowdfunding	5	107,369,150
Total		2,014,736,359

*Income and Expenses figures 2025 not audited.

Expenditure 2025



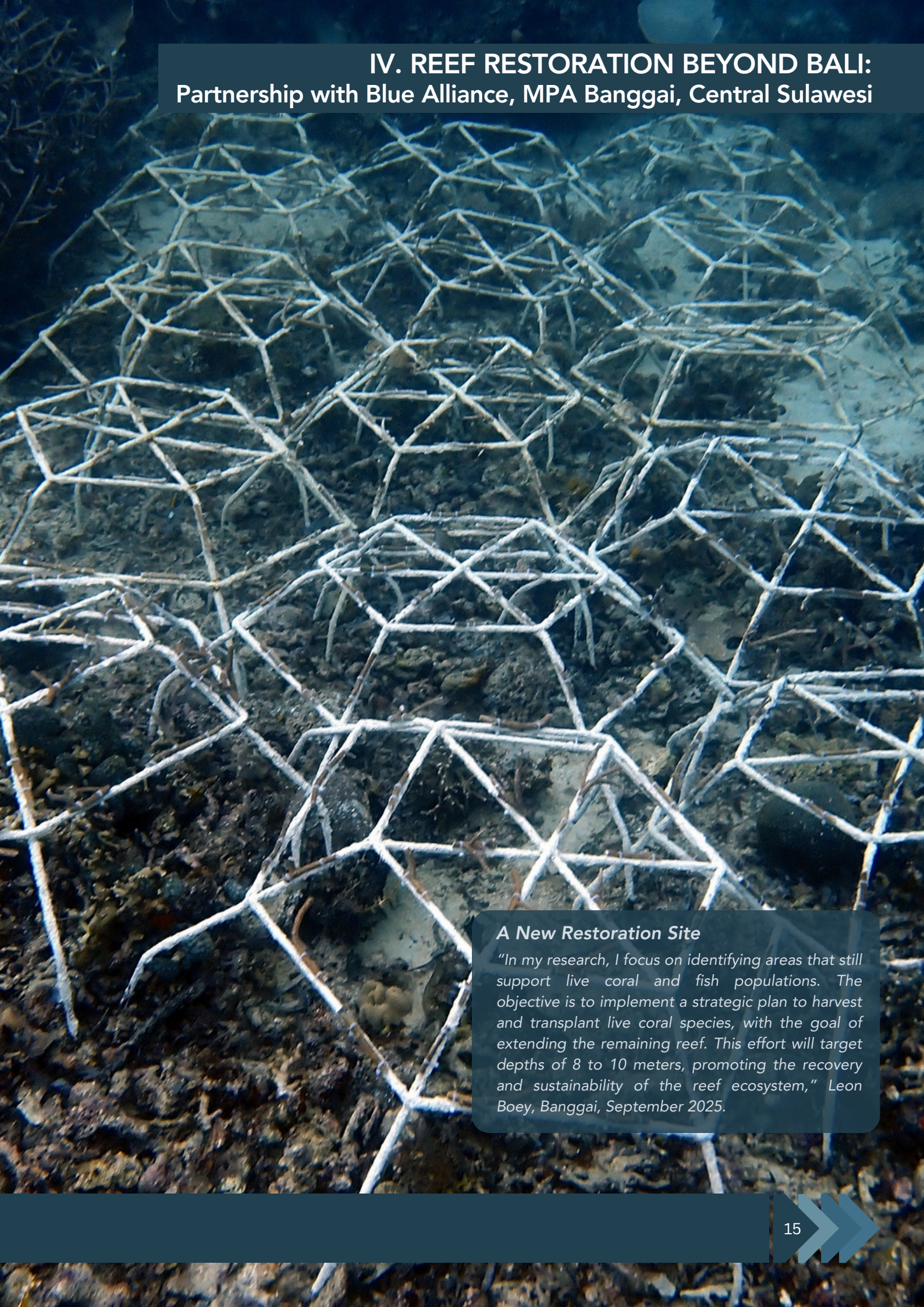
Expenses	%	IDR
Reef Restoration PDB	67	1,055,936,140
Training and Education	16	257,197,741
Waste Management	5	82,000,000
Special Projects	2	33,722,500
Outreach and Community Events	3	52,000,000
Equipment and Maintenance	6	89,272,500
Sub Total		1,570,128,881
Liabilities		
Habitats/Benevity/Candidasa built		444,607,478
Total		2,014,736,359

Use of Funds and Commitment to Mission

In 2025, Livingseas Foundation remained dedicated to ensuring that every contribution was used effectively and responsibly. The majority of funds were allocated directly to projects focused on reef restoration and community education. Administrative and operational expenses were carefully managed to maximize the resources directed to our core mission. This approach reflects our ongoing commitment to transparency, stewardship, and measurable impact.

Affiliation with Livingseas Asia

Livingseas Foundation fulfills its mission by providing financial support for marine conservation initiatives carried out by our affiliated operational partner, Livingseas Asia. This partnership ensures that all funds raised by the Foundation are directed toward effective, on-the-ground action and measurable impact, while maintaining full transparency and compliance with legal requirements.



IV. REEF RESTORATION BEYOND BALI: Partnership with Blue Alliance, MPA Banggai, Central Sulawesi

A New Restoration Site

"In my research, I focus on identifying areas that still support live coral and fish populations. The objective is to implement a strategic plan to harvest and transplant live coral species, with the goal of extending the remaining reef. This effort will target depths of 8 to 10 meters, promoting the recovery and sustainability of the reef ecosystem," Leon Boey, Banggai, September 2025.

IV. REEF RESTORATION BEYOND BALI: Partnership with Blue Alliance, MPA Banggai, Central Sulawesi

Reaching into the Archipelago

In September 2025, we commenced a one-month consultancy for Blue Alliance, focusing on the Banggai Marine Protected Area (MPA). During this period, Livingseas worked alongside Blue Alliance to address critical conservation needs in Banggai. This region, rich in biodiversity and marine resources, has been affected by unsustainable fishing practices, leading to the degradation of vital coral reef ecosystems.

Counsultancy for BlueAlliance MPA

Our mission is to support the development of a coral restoration project aimed at revitalizing these crucial habitats. By implementing strategic interventions, we seek to restore the marine ecosystem and enhance the resilience of local fisheries. Collaborating closely with the local community, we aim to promote sustainable fishing practices and foster stewardship of the marine environment.

Community Outreach and Awareness

A core component of our work in Banggai centers on direct engagement with the local community, particularly the fishing population whose livelihoods are deeply connected to the health of the marine environment. Through targeted outreach initiatives, we are involving local fishermen in learning about coral restoration techniques and educating them about alternative, sustainable livelihood opportunities that support both the ecosystem and their economic security. In addition, we welcomed students from SMK for Tourism to participate in specialized workshops, where they received hands-on training in building reef stars, coral planting, and reef protection strategies.

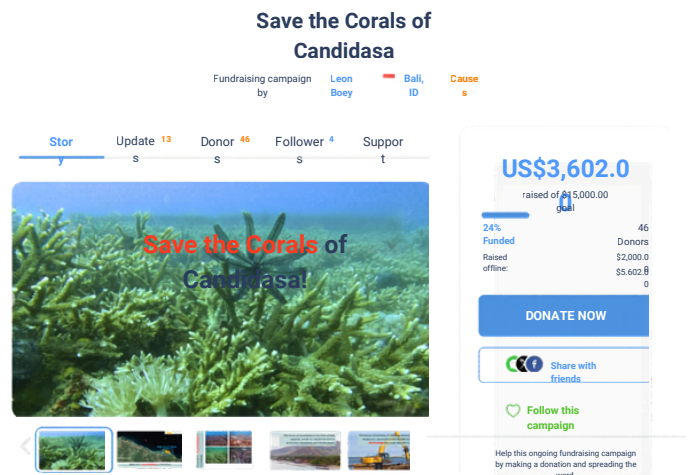
By fostering knowledge exchange and practical skills, we aim to empower community members and future tourism leaders to become active stewards of Banggai's unique marine resources.



IV. REEF PROJECTS BEYOND BAUNG PENYU: Candidasa, Uluwatu, Phuket (Thailand)

A Reef threatened by Construction

The reef in Candidasa has faced significant threats since the start of the Bali Beach Conservation Project (BBCP Phase II) in early 2025, which aims to construct a new beach pathway. This project has resulted in pollution and sediment runoff that damages the coral ecosystem. In response to these challenges, Livingseas has made extraordinary efforts to save the reef, conducting over 60 rescue trips throughout the year. During these trips, the team successfully relocated thousands of corals to the Livingseas Coral Restoration Site, helping to ensure their recovery and protection from ongoing construction impacts. This dedicated work highlights the urgency of preserving vital marine ecosystems.



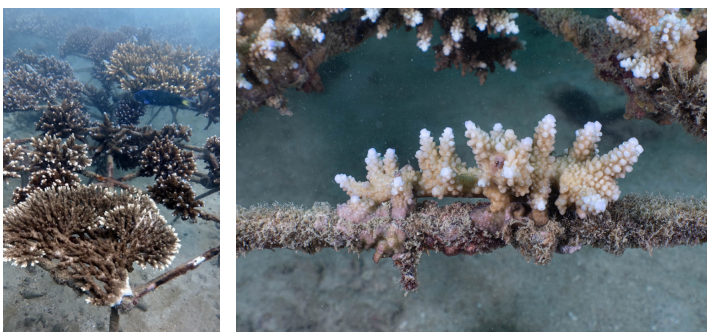
A crowdfunding campaign started at the end of 2024 has raised substantial funds, which enabled Livingseas Foundation to start the reef relocation rescue (gogetfunding.com/help-us-save-the-corals-of-candidasa/)



Branching out to Thailand

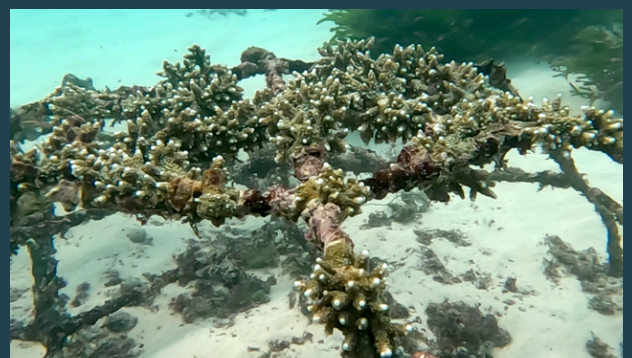
The cooperation between Livingseas and DiveRace/Dive Race Foundation in Phuket, Thailand began in May 2024. Together, we planted 15 Super Stars as an initial effort to enhance local reef habitats. In September 2024, this effort was expanded with the addition of 50 more Super Stars. Building on these foundations, a further 90 Super Stars were planted at two different depths during 2025. Both restoration

sites are demonstrating healthy coral growth, and regular monitoring visits by the Dive Race team have documented a noticeable increase in fish populations. This ongoing cooperation demonstrates that our restoration methods are transferable and can be successfully replicated in diverse locations, contributing to broader regional coral reef recovery efforts.



Coral growth on super stars, Phuket, Thailand, November 2025. Further information: [Dive Race Foundation](https://dive-race.com/)

A Micro-Trial in Uluwatu



Livingseas installed two structures outside of Sundays Beach Club in Uluwatu - an opportunity to observe different growing conditions.

V. THANK YOU: Corporate, Educational and Communal Sponsors 2025

Celebrating Ocean Heroes

We are immensely grateful to all the individual donors who supported Livingseas reef restoration efforts in 2025. Thank you to everyone who adopted a coral, contributed structures to the site, supported our work online, visited the restoration site, volunteered their time, and spread the word - you are our Ocean Heroes. We would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the anonymous donors who supported our mission this year, and for their generous support.

A huge thank you to all for-profit and not-for-profit organizations that have generously supported our reef restoration efforts through participation in workshops, bronze, silver or gold subscriptions, donations, and other collaborative initiatives.

Your commitment sustains our programs, fosters reliable income opportunities, and strengthens the stability of local communities, while advancing our mission to support both marine ecosystems and the livelihoods that depend on them.



Education Partners



Thank you to the TUI Care Foundation, whose support enabled us at pivotal stages of our development, including making possible the purchase and upcycling of the pontoon. Their contributions have been instrumental in advancing our initiatives.



GREAT EXPECTATIONS 2026:

Lasting Positive Impact for People and Planet

Keep accelerating Growth

At the end of December 2025, as the team reflected on a year of extraordinary progress, founder and ocean conservationist Leon Boey sent out an email to Livingseas's supporters: "Thank you for being part of our journey—together we have achieved milestones that once seemed out of reach. But there is still much to do, and our work continues."

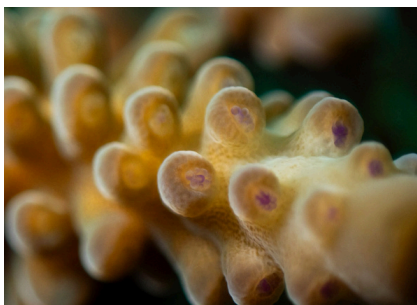
Looking ahead to 2026, we are committed to building on the solid foundation established in 2025. In terms of growth, our foremost goal is not only to reach, but to surpass the milestone of 500,000 corals planted across our restoration sites. Achieving this ambitious target will require expanding our nursery operations and deploying additional reef structures at both current and new locations.



By the end of 2026, we aim to have more than half a million corals planted. (photo credit: @deliwende)

Hands-on and Data-driven

We plan to strengthen our scientific capacity by adding marine scientists to our team. Their expertise will enhance our research, monitoring, and data-driven restoration efforts, ensuring that our programs continue to deliver measurable ecological and community benefits.



(photo credit: @deliwende)



Restoration & Research Internship - a new program for 2026.

Furthermore, we are developing a new, specialized long-term program tailored for recent college graduates. This initiative will provide hands-on training, mentorship, and professional development opportunities in the field of marine conservation, cultivating the next generation of coral reef stewards.

In 2026, we will deepen our engagement with local communities and educational institutions, foster new collaborations with regional and international partners, and continue to share our successful restoration methods with a broader audience. By investing in innovation, team development, and knowledge exchange, we aim to accelerate progress toward our mission of restoring 50 hectares of coral reef, helping restore biodiversity, and protecting the ocean's health for future generations.



With the continued support of our partners, donors, and the extended Livingseas community, we are confident that 2026 will bring new milestones and lasting positive impact for both people and the planet.

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