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MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



This year, **MarAlliance turned ten**. A decade ago we set out with a simple conviction: that healthy oceans and healthy communities are inseparable, and that rewilding tropical seas is possible when science is rigorous, commitment is long, and coastal communities lead.

In 2024 that conviction became visible across our seas. Two decades of monitoring at Lighthouse Reef Atoll in Belize culminated in its formal protection, including new no-take zones drawn from our long-term research. In Panama's Darién, Emberá fishers and our team confirmed the first largetooth sawfish nursery grounds in the Americas, while women in those same communities turned traditional craft into income that rewards releasing this Critically Endangered species rather than landing it. In Guna Yala, Indigenous researchers, mostly women, led the first comprehensive reef assessment in over two decades laying the foundation for Guna led creation of protected areas. And in Cabo Verde, our first shark assessment conducted with the country's shark fishers built a scientific foundation where none existed, and this too transformed how local and international organizations based in Cabo Verde work with fishers and sharks. These are but a few of our stories of impact at multiple levels.

None of this is ours alone. It belongs to the ninety-plus fishers, scientists, monitors, and educators who carry this work, to our incredible boards of directors and global advisory committee, and to you our allies and supporters, who make it possible.

I will not pretend this path is easy. We have lost incredible champions who have passed, funding remains uncertain and we are all trying to keep up with our rapidly changing seas. Yet I have never been more hopeful, because we have proven that conservation endures when commitment is long-term, locally based and people see themselves in the solution.

Thank you for believing in **what is possible**. The next decade is about deepening partnerships and scale, and I would be honored to build these with you.

Rachel T Graham



WHO IS MARALLIANCE

Founded in 2014 by Dr. Rachel Graham, MarAlliance (MAR) is a not-for-profit organization **working to restore populations of threatened marine fish and the critical habitats on which they depend.** Guided by the values of community, integrity, science-based, entrepreneurial innovation and a commitment to longevity along with the belief that **healthy oceans and healthy communities are inseparable**, MarAlliance brings together science, local knowledge, and on-the-ground action to support more effective and inclusive marine conservation.

Working alongside coastal communities, governments, and partners, MarAlliance generates the evidence needed to inform conservation decisions, strengthens local capacity to steward marine resources, and helps translate science into lasting protection. Through this collaborative approach, MarAlliance **empowers communities to become active leaders in safeguarding their marine ecosystems, building resilience for both people and nature for generations to come.**

A loggerhead sea turtle is shown swimming horizontally across the frame, slightly angled upwards. Its head is on the right, and its front flipper is extended upwards. The turtle's shell is a mix of brown and yellowish-green. Below the turtle, a dense bed of green seagrass is visible. The water is a deep, clear blue with some light reflecting off the surface.

WE RESTORE MARINE WILDLIFE POPULATIONS

CORE BELIEFS

We believe that rewilding tropical seas is only possible through rigorous science, long-term commitment and the leadership of coastal communities.

OUR VISION

Tropical seas with thriving populations of marine wildlife stewarded by communities.

OUR MISSION

To explore enable and inspire conservation action for threatened marine wildlife and their habitats with dependent communities.

MARALLIANCE PILLARS

Our programs are focused on supporting initiatives that are aligned with three key pillars of action that drive our work to restore threatened marine wildlife with their dependent communities.



Explore:

Advancing rigorous, fisher and community-centric science to understand and protect tropical marine megafauna and their critical habitats.



Enable:

Strengthening local capacity, governance, and tools so conservation endures beyond projects and generations.



Inspire:

Transforming knowledge into stories, education, immersive experiences and policies that spark pride, stewardship and action.

OUR TEAM



90+ team of conservation scientists, fishers, community monitors, trainers and educators



Populations of 24 key species and their habitats that we seek to restore



Expert boards of directors and global advisory committee



Partners, donors, and supporters united by shared commitment to marine conservation



WORKING WITH FISHERS

Working closely with fishers is central to MarAlliance's participatory approach to conservation. **Fishers are key partners in research and monitoring, contributing local ecological knowledge while actively supporting data collection and marine wildlife surveys.** This collaboration strengthens both the quality of scientific data and the relevance of conservation actions on the ground.

Through training and capacity building, MarAlliance supports fishers and coastal communities to take an active role in managing and stewarding their marine resources. This **two-way exchange of knowledge**, combining science with lived experience, helps improve conservation outcomes while building long-term local ownership.

Importantly, **84% of funds raised are invested directly into programs that protect marine biodiversity and habitats and empower the communities that depend on them**, ensuring resources translate into meaningful, on-the-ground and sustained impact.

As we bring **our first decade of impact** to a close, MarAlliance stands stronger than ever. We've weathered major challenges, grown through change, and proven that our community believes deeply in the values we champion.

The marine conservation world not only supports this work, it depends on it.

Looking ahead, **the next decade is about scale, impact, and collaborative action.** We're building a future where every fisher becomes a steward, where donors gifts drive ever greater on-the-ground results, and where our international community leads with purpose.

Together, we will expand our reach, deepen our impact, and with dependent people, protect the wildlife and places that inspire us all.



**2024: THE
DECADE THAT
DEFINED US**

Since our inception, MarAlliance has proudly launched and run 21 high-impact, community-engagement conservation science projects across 7 countries.

From preserving critical wildlife populations to empowering local communities through sustainable economic alternatives, these projects reflect our commitment to safeguarding the planet's seas and wildlife for future generations.

ACTION TO DATE

10

Years Active

7

Countries

30

Monitored
MPAs

21

Community
Projects

50+

Communities
Reached

1,300+

Animals
Monitored

2024 PROGRAMS

USA

Informing and inspiring marine science and conservation through connectivity with the tropics.

Mexico

Marine megafauna monitoring for policy support and fisher skills diversification focused on deep sea fish and coastal monitoring.

Belize

Continued long-term monitoring of marine megafauna across the Belize Barrier Reef, generating data that informed marine protected area management and supported the protection of key spawning aggregation sites

Honduras

Advanced research on deep-water snapper and grouper spawning aggregations, working with fishers to improve understanding of fish populations and support sustainable fisheries management.

Guna Yala, Panama

Completed the first comprehensive coral reef and fish assessment in over 20 years, while training six Guna researchers, primarily women, in marine monitoring and scuba-based research.

..... Eastern Tropical Pacific, Panama

Our projects have satellite-tagged whale sharks at aggregation sites in the Coiba National Park region, combining cutting-edge research with citizen science to map their migratory routes across the Eastern Tropical Pacific.

..... Cabo Verde

Identified key shark hotspots, conducted the country's first baselines for sharks, and provided critical data to support locally led conservation, protected areas identification, and sustainable marine management.

... Pohnpei, Micronesia

Supported local partners in building mechanisms to reduce fishing pressure and increase community-led stewardship of coral reef ecosystems.



LONG-TERM SCIENCE, LASTING IMPACT

Lighthouse Reef Atoll, Belize and beyond



With 17 years under our belts, we now have the longest-running, continuous marine megafauna monitoring program in the Caribbean.

In 2024, MarAlliance documented significant marine megafauna recovery across multiple monitoring sites in Belize, with Lighthouse Reef Atoll as the focal site. Standardized longline surveys yielded previously rare lemon sharks, which were satellite-tagged for tracking. Across all sites, longline sets recorded the maintenance of higher shark catch-per-unit-effort than prior to COVID. Critically, juvenile bull sharks in Corozal Bay suggest population rejuvenation four years post-gillnet ban.

These data validate Belize's landmark conservation actions, the national gillnet prohibition and shark fishing bans at atolls (legislation passed in 2021), demonstrating measurable recovery of species vital to ecosystem health and the country's marine tourism.

This year, data collection throughout all of MAR's monitored sites has provided livelihood supplements for at least 104 fishers as well as the education of over 670 secondary and 20 local University students, who we are training to carry the marine conservation torch in years to come.



TURNING KNOWLEDGE GAPS INTO CONSERVATION GAINS



Cabo Verde

Marine wildlife baselines lag behind their terrestrial counterparts, limiting the ability to focus conservation and policy interventions where local knowledge has highlighted species declines and decreases in abundance. One such country is Cabo Verde, in the central Atlantic Ocean, where our pioneering shark research and monitoring has identified the country as supporting key populations of a highly diverse assemblage of shark and ray species.

We completed and shared the first shark assessment in West Africa's Cabo Verde islands that identified hotspots of shark diversity or use and critical habitats such as multispecies nursery grounds that are now globally considered critical habitats for primary conservation interventions. These data are now guiding conservation efforts led by a network of partner organizations to reduce fishing pressure and advance formal protection for key nursery habitats, including Sal Rei Bay on the island of Boa Vista.

Securing protected status for these areas is expected to deliver long-term ecological benefits while also supporting local livelihoods, cultural heritage, and the island's growing coastal tourism sector.



Neonate sharpnose shark measured in BoaVista, Cabo Verde | Rachel Graham / MarAlliance

INDIGENOUS LEADERSHIP DRIVES THE RECOVERY OF SAWFISH

Darién, Panama



In partnership with Indigenous Emberá fisher communities, we identified nursery grounds for the Critically Endangered largetooth sawfish (*Pristis pristis*) in Panama's remote Darién region, and visually confirmed the first nursery areas for this species in the Americas.

This extraordinary discovery has launched a growing project that is reaching fishers and their families in 11 of the Darién's Indigenous riverine communities. Fishers are now trained in safe monitoring, handling, and tagging techniques, leading to improved post-capture survival of sawfish and strengthening a locally led network of "sawfish guardians." Through co-created science with traditional fishers and their families, we are building agency for the management of riverine resources in historically marginalized Indigenous fishing communities.

The project also establishes a foundation for advanced research on sawfish behavior and seasonality through the use of electronic tagging and environmental DNA (eDNA). These efforts support the identification of other critical hotspots and mature individuals, while contributing to long-term strategies aimed at restoring largetooth sawfish populations in Panama and across the Eastern Tropical Pacific.



Critical knowledge gaps were closed



MarAlliance delivered science that directly shaped conservation outcomes by revealing where protection matters most and why.

Migratory marine species do not recognize political boundaries. By grounding conservation measures such as species protection, MPA creation and expansion, fisheries policies, in robust, collaborative transboundary science, MarAlliance helps countries move from siloed action toward shared stewardship.

Transforming fragmented observations on target species and their habitats into inter-connected and decision-ready science such as linking critical habitats studies and conservation to threatened species life cycles, ensures research does not remain academic, it becomes actionable. As a result, governments, communities, and partners gain the clarity needed to protect ecosystems before declines become irreversible, with conservation measures that are credible, equitable, and defensible for the long term.

Key Outcomes

- Strengthened evidence for marine protection: long-term monitoring across Belize and Honduras's reef systems produced robust, comparable datasets on sharks, reef fish, and spawning aggregations — evidence strong enough to inform national-level protection decisions.
- Baseline science unlocked new regions for action: the first-ever shark assessment for Cabo Verde established a scientific foundation where none previously existed, enabling managers to move from uncertainty to informed conservation planning.
- Supported species recovery: identification of the first confirmed Critically Endangered largetooth sawfish nursery grounds in the Americas pinpointed habitats essential for safeguarding one of the world's most threatened fish species.
- Revealed hidden ecosystems: the first Ecological Risk Assessment (ERA) framework for Caribbean deepwater fisheries enabled governments and stakeholders to evaluate impacts in data-poor environments that were previously unmanaged.

INVESTING IN INDIGENOUS WOMEN AS OCEAN STEWARDS



Guna Yala, Panama

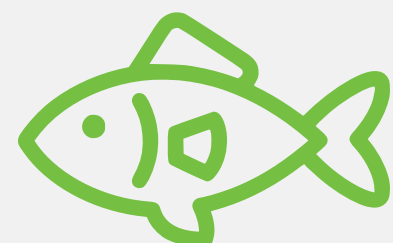
We equipped six Guna researchers, five of them women, with advanced fish and coral monitoring and scuba diving skills, enabling them to lead conservation efforts that actively protect coral reef health and advance marine stewardship. By prioritizing gender equity and Indigenous leadership, MarAlliance is fostering inclusive, locally-driven conservation that strengthens both ecological outcomes and community resilience and creates the skills basis for locally-led and sustained monitoring.

Building autochthonous capacity to conduct science and monitoring, so that natural resource management decisions are informed and led by Indigenous communities—is central to our mission. Following a 22-year hiatus in the monitoring of coral reefs in the autonomous region of Guna Yala, Panama, our team, led by and comprised of Indigenous Guna scientists, completed the first comprehensive coral reef and fish assessment in over two decades.

The results of the assessment are being used to shape marine policy and marine protected area creation in the Guna Yala Comarca with guna communities, the Guna Congress and the Ministry for environment.



SUSTAINING FISH BY ADDING VALUE



Pohnpei, Micronesia

How can you reduce pressure on nearshore coral reef fish, create jobs and alleviate food insecurity? To answer these questions, we partnered with local and international collaborators in the Federated States of Micronesia to demonstrate how innovation can reduce pressure on vulnerable coral reef fisheries while improving coastal livelihoods. Working with fishers in Pohnpei, the project developed two value-added Yellowfin tuna jerky products using sustainably caught small pelagic fish, creating a scalable business model that incentivizes fishing away from overexploited reef fisheries.

The team established standardized production methods, confirmed a sustainable supply of 1,000–1,500 lbs of tuna per month, and validated a minimum 90-day shelf life through food laboratory testing. Consumer trials in Pohnpei, Guam and Hawai'i demonstrated strong market appeal, while professionally designed branding, environmentally conscious packaging, and competitive pricing positioned the products for regional export.

Partnerships with major distributors and retailers in Guam identified viable market pathways. A comprehensive user manual now provides a blueprint for NGOs and small businesses to replicate the model, strengthening livelihoods while supporting healthier coral reef fish, fisheries and ecosystems.



15g Protein Low in calories Locally sourced ingredients

Yellowfin Tuna Jerky

One Bite and You're Hooked



WOMEN WEAVING A FUTURE FOR SAWFISH



Darién, Panama

In Panama's Darién, MarAlliance is catalyzing a women-led model that links cultural heritage, conservation, and inclusive economic growth. By adapting traditional basketry and mask-making into high-quality, marine-inspired artisanal products, women are accessing new local and international markets and generating reliable income while elevating stewardship of the Critically Endangered largemouth sawfish.

Targeted support in quality assurance, cooperative formation, and ethical marketing has strengthened their bargaining power and ensured fair recognition and compensation for their craftsmanship. A portion of proceeds supports fisher release incentives, increasing net checks that reduces sawfish mortality, and improving documentation of capture, handling, tagging, and release.

Collectively, this initiative is reducing dependence on extractive livelihoods, positioning women as conservation leaders, and reinforcing the social and ecological resilience of families, fisheries, and one of the species' last remaining strongholds.



Communities gained the skills, authority, and confidence to steward their own marine resources



Conservation endures only when local actors are enabled to lead. In 2024, MarAlliance invested deeply in people, institutions, and systems to ensure conservation leadership is locally rooted and resilient.

Across MarAlliance's sites, people were trained to deploy monitoring tools, interpret results, and communicate findings directly to peers and authorities. This co-ownership of science increased trust, improved compliance, and strengthened uptake of management recommendations.

By enabling leadership where conservation happens, MarAlliance ensured that when projects end, stewardship remains — and conservation continues to thrive.

Key Outcomes

- Local leadership strengthened: Indigenous Guna researchers, the majority of them women, were trained in scientific diving and reef monitoring, enabling the first comprehensive assessment of their reefs in over two decades and placing knowledge production directly in local hands.
- Capacity replaced dependency: by training students, fisheries officers, and municipal leaders to apply Ecological Risk Assessment tools, MarAlliance shifted science from an external input to an internal management capability.
- Equity embedded in conservation: women in coastal and fishing communities transitioned from resource users to conservation leaders, technicians, and decision influencers, reshaping who participates in marine science.
- MarAlliance operational resilience strengthened: support for data management systems and monitoring protocols enabled local teams to sustain conservation work despite funding uncertainty and environmental change.

SHAPING NEW MARINE PROTECTION

Lighthouse Reef Atoll, Belize



Over 20 years of MarAlliance's rigorous monitoring at Lighthouse Reef Atoll in Belize since 2004 have culminated in a landmark conservation achievement: the formal designation of the atoll as a new 720.6 km² marine protected area (MPA), including new no-take zones strategically established in critical habitats identified through long-term research. Enacted through Statutory Instrument No. 134 of 2024, this milestone translates science into enduring policy, building on protections for Turneffe Atoll and Glover's Reef Atoll, and reinforcing the 2021 shark and ray protection legislation (Statutory Instrument No. 132 of 2021) developed collaboratively with Government and fishers to prohibit their capture across all three atolls.

These data also support sustainable fisheries with the release of protected species such as nurse sharks and rays, and, in Belize, builds on the 2020 law prohibiting the marine use of harmful fishing nets.

Together, these achievements safeguard habitats vital to ecosystem health and marine tourism, strengthen reef resilience and livelihoods, and inspire continued science-based, community-driven stewardship across the Caribbean.



SHARING OUR SCIENCE AND DISCOVERIES

Global Impact

If no one know what you produce in science, how can you generate impact for conservation? We share our activities, results and impacts through a host of media where our website was regularly visited by half a million visitors to social reels that were viewed by tens of thousands of people. Our project briefs and in-person presentations reached dozens of communities in all countries, and peer reviewed publications were downloaded hundreds of times.

In 2024, we published the “Baseline assessment of the coastal elasmobranch fauna of Eastern Cabo Verde, West Africa” and confirmed “The presence of the smalltooth sawfish in the Cuban Archipelago” with many Cuban partners following after we the first use of fisher surveys in 2006. We formed part of a large consortium “Identifying priority sites for whale shark ship collision management globally” and our leading edge work in deep water finfish, sharks and fisheries has led to numerous outputs on the long lived deep water species including “Validation and otolith-mass prediction of age and growth for cardinal snapper *Pristipomoides macrophthalmus* of the Caribbean Sea” and the impacts of COVID on small-scale fisheries in “COVID-19 highlights the need to improve resilience and equity in managing small-scale fisheries.”

In addition, the MarAlliance Team authored six chapters of the epic 2000 page “Global Shark and Rays Report” produced by the IUCN Shark Specialist Group that integrates two decades of data and information from around the globe on chondrichthyans.



THE GLOBAL STATUS OF SHARKS, RAYS, AND CHIMAERAS



ABOUT THE REPORT

- 20 years since the first report in 2005
- 353 authors from 115 countries
- > 2,000 pages covering 158 countries and territories with a coastline

SUCCESSSES

- Improved information from Asia, Africa, Central America and the Caribbean, the Indian Ocean, and South America
- Sharks and rays increasingly represented in fisheries and trade regulations

GAPS

- Enforcement of fisheries regulations and Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) is limited
- Implementation of policies at the national level is slow

Catastrophic shark, ray, and chimaera declines need improved fisheries management, bycatch mitigation, enforced protected areas, and implemented trade and fishery policies.

Inspired science and partnerships for lasting protection and behavior change



Changing entrenched beliefs, behavior and cultures is needed and inspiration is the bridge between science and society. This year, MarAlliance ensured that knowledge did not stay on shelves — it moved people to care and act.

From classrooms to community halls, MarAlliance transformed research findings into shared stories of responsibility and possibility. These moments — seeing a shark or a sawfish not as a threat, but as a neighbor — are where conservation truly begins.

By documenting and sharing impact, MarAlliance strengthened political, community, and donor confidence in long-term, evidence-based marine conservation — creating momentum that extends far beyond 2024.

Key Outcomes

- Improved protection based on data: MarAlliance's research directly contributed to the protection of Lighthouse Reef Atoll, demonstrating how sustained science can deliver permanent conservation outcomes.
- Livelihoods aligned with conservation: alternative income opportunities, including traditional crafts, reduced reliance on threatened species while reinforcing cultural identity and stewardship values.
- Outreach and storytelling that inspired: media, talks, classrooms, and visual narratives humanized conservation and elevated fisher and community voices.
- Youth engagement for the future: educational programs fostered curiosity, ocean literacy, and a new generation of ocean stewards and scientists.

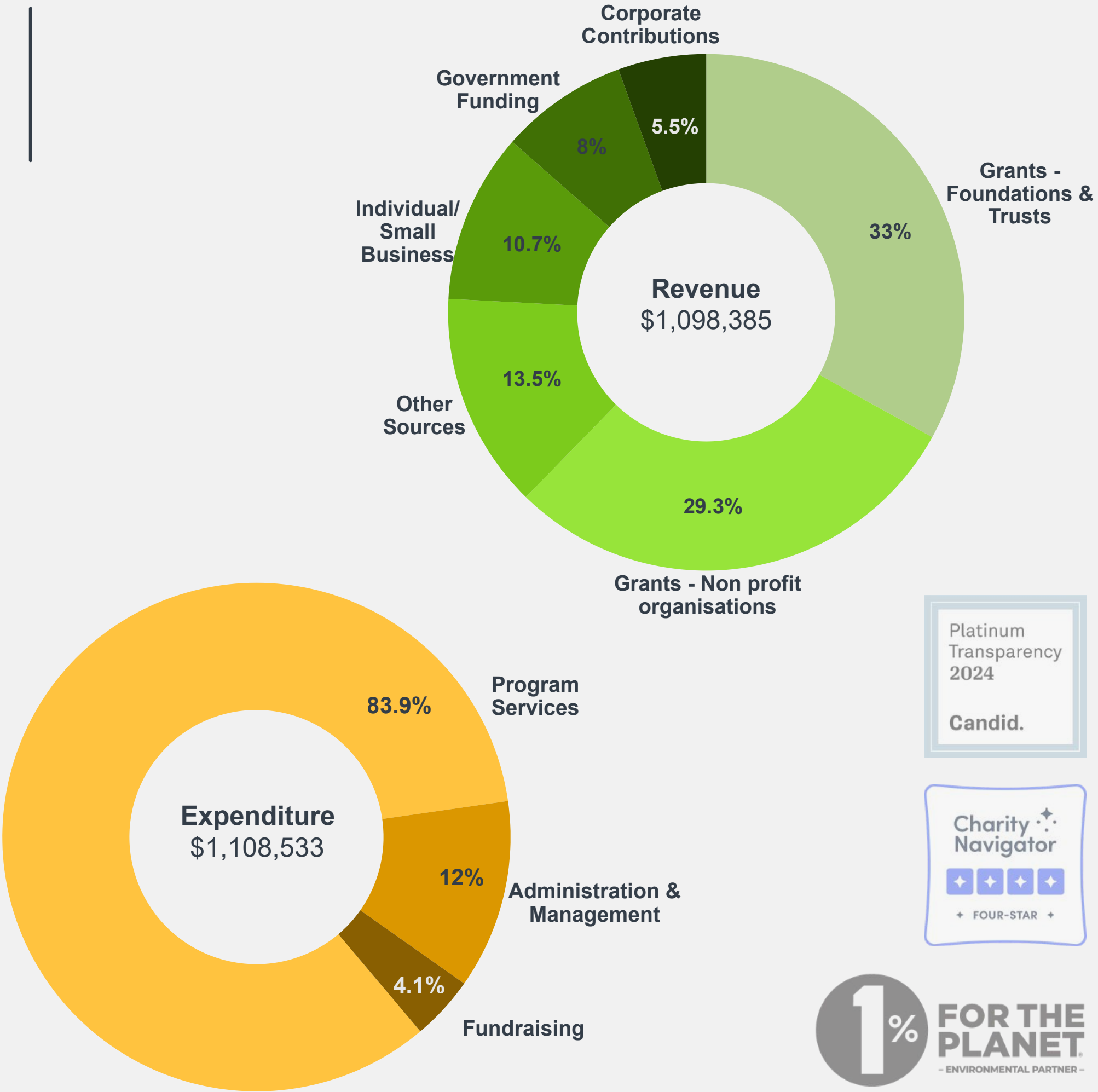
2024 FINANCIALS

83.9% of funds were spent directly on our impactful conservation programs

Income	Amount	% of Revenue
Direct contributions – Individuals / small business	\$116,967	10.70%
Direct contributions – Corporate	\$60,670	5.50%
Non-government grants – Foundations / Trusts	\$362,890	33.00%
Non-government grants – Non-profit Organizations	\$321,649	29.30%
Government Funding	\$87,685	8.00%
Other sources	\$148,524	13.50%
Total Income	\$1,098,385	100.00%

Expenses	Amount	% of Expenses
Program Services	\$929,932	83.90%
Administration and management	\$133,417	12.00%
Fundraising	\$45,184	4.10%
Total Expenditure	\$1,108,533	100.00%

Change in Net Assets	(\$10,148)	
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OUR ALLIES

PARTNERS

Belize

- Fishers and tour guides
- Belize Audubon Society
- Belize Fisheries Department
- Hol Chan Marine Reserve
- Sarteneja Association for Conservation and Development
- Southern Environmental Association
- Turneffe Atoll Sustainability Association
- University of Belize / Environmental Research Institute
- Toledo INstitute for Development and Environment

Cabo Verde

- Fishers and tour guides
- Associação de Pescadores e Pecheras de Boavista
- Direcção Nacional do Ambiente
- Fundação Tartaruga

Honduras

- Fishers and tour guides
- Bay Islands National Marine Park
- Bay Islands Conservation Association
- Dirección General de Pesca y Acuicultura – DIGEPESCA
- Instituto de Conservación Forestal (ICF)
- Instituto Hondureño de Turismo
- Roatán Marine Park
- Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Honduras

Mexico

- Fishers and tour guides
- Colegio de la Frontera Sur (Ecosur)
- Comisión de Áreas Naturales Protegidas (CONANP)
- Cooperativa de Pesca Cozumel
- Fisher Cooperatives José Maria Azcorra
- Langosteros del Caribe
- Sociedad Cooperativa Banco Chinchorro

Panama

- Fishers and tour guides
- Asociación de Estudiantes Kunas Universitarios (AEKU)
- Autoridad de los Recursos Acuáticos de Panamá (ARAP)
- Coiba AIP
- Instituto de Investigación y Desarrollo de Kuna Yala (IIDKY)
- MarViva
- MiAmbiente

USA

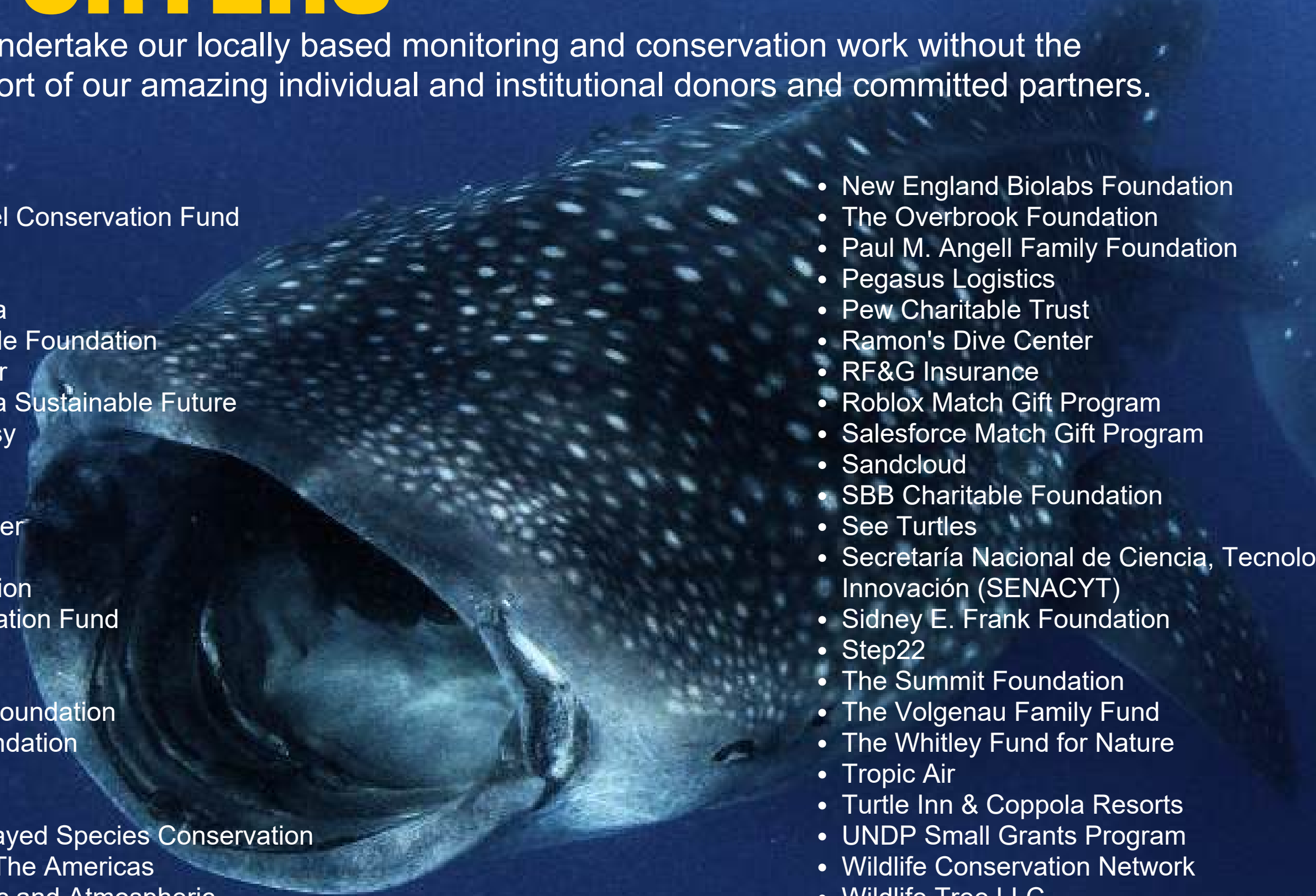
- Florida South University
- Moss Landing Marine Labs
- NOAA Fisheries
- Texas A&M
- The Wildlife Conservation Network

UK & Europe

- Astrofish
- University of Amsterdam
- University of Exeter
- Whitley Fund for Nature

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 - Air Fund
 - Amigos del Mar
 - Bank Of America
 - Beagle Charitable Foundation
 - Belize Aggressor
 - Belize Fund for a Sustainable Future
 - Canada Embassy
 - Chevron
 - Cocolab
 - Coiba Dive Center
 - Copa Airlines
 - Denver Foundation
 - Disney Conservation Fund
 - Dulabab
 - EduZoo
 - Harvey Family Foundation
 - Hurtigruten Foundation
 - Just Giving
 - MAR Fund
 - Mohamed bin Zayed Species Conservation
 - Nature Trust of The Americas
 - National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
 - Network for Good
 - New England Biolabs Foundation
 - The Overbrook Foundation
 - Paul M. Angell Family Foundation
 - Pegasus Logistics
 - Pew Charitable Trust
 - Ramon's Dive Center
 - RF&G Insurance
 - Roblox Match Gift Program
 - Salesforce Match Gift Program
 - Sandcloud
 - SBB Charitable Foundation
 - See Turtles
 - Secretaría Nacional de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación (SENACYT)
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 - Step22
 - The Summit Foundation
 - The Volgenau Family Fund
 - The Whitley Fund for Nature
 - Tropic Air
 - Turtle Inn & Coppola Resorts
 - UNDP Small Grants Program
 - Wildlife Conservation Network
 - Wildlife Tree LLC
 - Whitley Fund for Nature

IN MEMORIAM

Peggy O'Shaughnessy

We lived this year with the untimely and heartbreaking loss of our friend, colleague, mentor and Board Chair, Peggy O'Shaughnessy.

Witty, smart, kind, funny, astute, adventurous and irreverent, Peggy lived life with gusto rarely witnessed and was one of the best traveled people we have known. Her love of music, fine dining (traveling large distances to experience the best souffle), great diving coupled with her generosity of spirit and time, and her sharp knowledge of finance, HR, business across multiple countries are some of the many qualities she possessed that made her so unique and beloved by so many.

Peggy was a stalwart friend of conservation, a key mentor to so many, and MarAlliance's dynamic Board Chair. We were so fortunate to have her present with many of our MAR team during our December AGM in Panama. We look forward to finding Peggy-perfect ways to honor her and her contributions to people and conservation in the years to come.

FROM THE “OCEAN DEPTHS” OF OUR GRATITUDE, WE THANK YOU



As we reflect on another year of **exploration, discovery, and conservation impact**, we are grateful to the partners, supporters, communities, and fishers who make this work possible.

Together, we are advancing science, strengthening local capacity, and building the connections needed to safeguard marine ecosystems and the livelihoods they support.

Thank you for being part of this journey.
We look forward to achieving even more together in the years ahead.

LOOKING AHEAD: JOIN US IN 2025

The challenges facing our oceans are profound, but so is the momentum we are building together.

In 2024, MarAlliance demonstrated that conservation thrives when science is inclusive, capacity is rooted locally, and stories are shared with authenticity. When people are trusted as partners, protection becomes both effective and enduring.

With your partnership, in 2025 we will deliver additional impact through:

- **Expansion of transboundary monitoring** of threatened marine species, strengthening regional cooperation and long-term protection in the Western Caribbean and the Eastern Tropical Pacific.
- **Deepen fisher-centric research and co-management**, ensuring those closest to the sea help shape its future
- **Investment in building stonger connections with coastal communities**, scientists, fishers, and youth, who will carry this work forward for generations to come

We invite you to join us at MarAlliance as we continue to rewild tropical seas, **one partnership, one discovery, and one inspired mind at a time.**

Thank you for believing in what is possible.



GET IN TOUCH

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