

AHURA RESORTS

The Warm Heart Of Fiji.

Conservation Foundation



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- registered Charitable Trust
- implements and manages the resorts' environmental programs and community projects involving Malolo Island's indigenous resource owners with a team consisting of a Director, Environment Manager, Marine Biologist, Sustainability Officer, Horticulturalists and an Apiarist.
- The Foundation also has its own Board of Directors, a constitution, and functions like a conservation NGO
- mission is to influence, encourage and assist our natural resource-owning communities to conserve and protect the land and water, the integrity and diversity of nature and to ensure that any use of natural resources is ecologically sustainable.
- in partnership with our resort guests, we offer them access to activities embedded in the various Foundation programs, whilst providing an enhanced cultural and environmental resort experience.



ABOVE THE SEA

Critically Endangered Fiji Crested Iguana

- 48 tagged and released – monitored during serendipitous finds
- 25 total in captivity – 8 adult breeders, 4 sub-adult, 13 juveniles
- 10 tagged in captivity

Reforestation – Tropical Dry Forest & Mangroves

- 15,000+ saplings planted since reopening in 2022 – 10,000 in 2024
- 2025 target 15,000 - 6000 already planted – Jan to April
- 2025 target 5000 mangrove saplings - 2300 saplings propagated and will be planted in June
- partnership with the Fiji Government Ministry of Forestry to supply native dry forest saplings - 12,000+ in the last 7 months - another 3000 saplings in June



ABOVE THE SEA

Gardens and Green Waste

- composting pits implemented
- installed a woodchipper to assist with bio-mass collection for compost and mulch for the resort ornamental gardens
- reforestation nursery that can accommodate 20,000 native tree saplings – current stock 1000 and ready to accommodate 3000 coming in shortly from the Ministry of Forestry
- we are supplying 10% of the resorts' herb and vege demand - target is to increase to 20%
- nursery yield equates to \$12,000.00 of produce per month
- honey harvest – 3 times yearly totalling 150kg of honey
- just completed first round produced from 1 colony 40kg
- we have 3 beehive sites - each site has 4 to 6 boxes

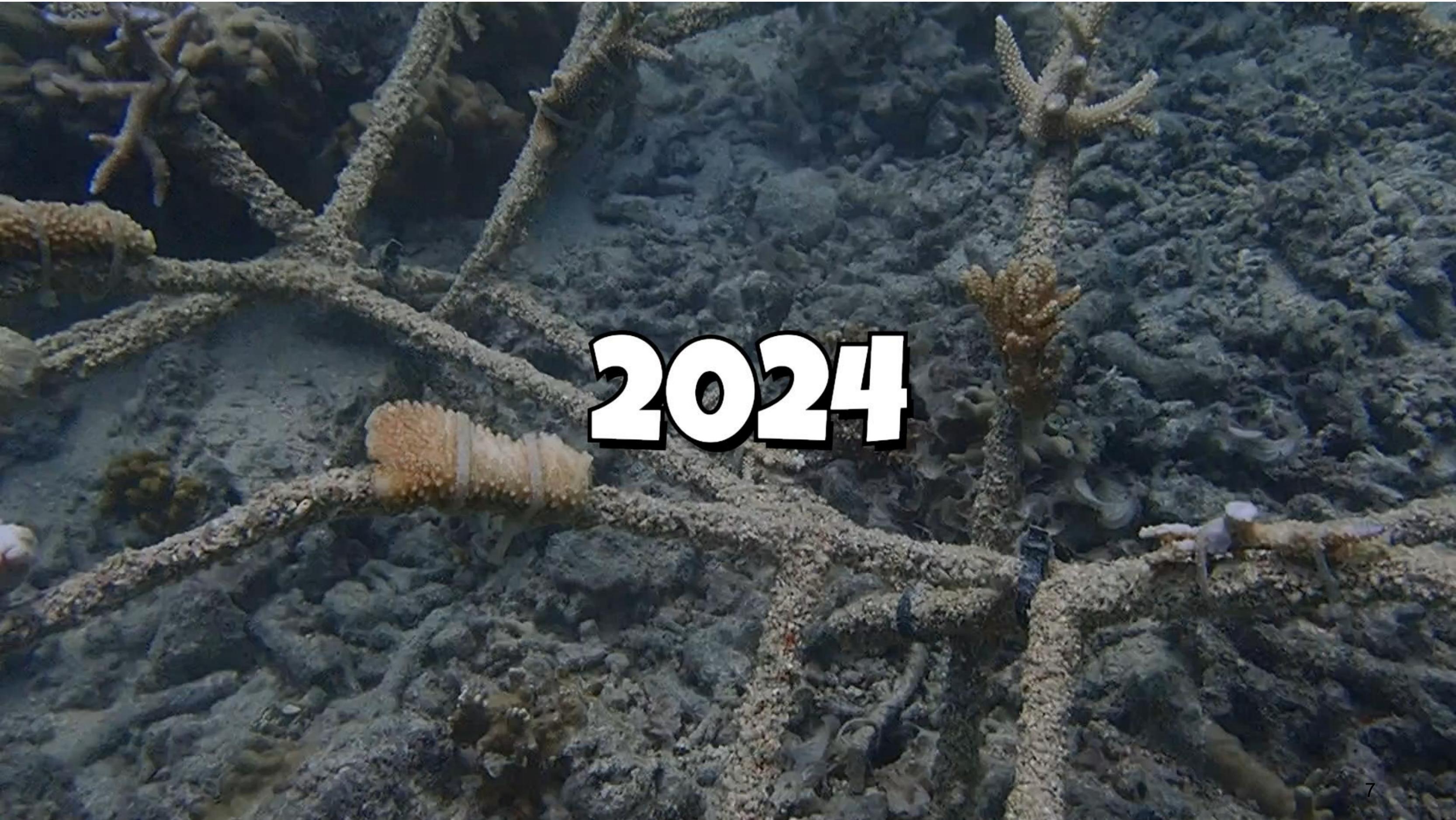


BELOW THE SEA

Reef Star Project

- partnership with the global consumer goods and confectionary company MARS - Mars Assisted Reef Restoration System (MARRS) - called “Reef Stars”
- webs of Reef Stars stabilise loose rubble and provide a strong platform on which out-planted coral can grow. After a few years, the coral completely overgrows and engulfs the Reef Stars, which become fully integrated into the reef structure. This creates new habitats for fish and invertebrates and encourages the settlement of additional native corals. As natural ecological processes kick back into motion, the whole reef comes back to life.
- Planted 132 reef stars - 2000+ coral heads
- This year’s target is 800 reef stars (200 every quarter) growing 12,000 corals.
- Sites for restoration – both resort’s house reefs, Mociu reef and Yaro village tabu zones



An underwater photograph of a coral reef. The scene is dominated by a large, branching coral structure in the foreground, with a prominent, textured, cylindrical coral polyp in the lower-left. The background shows a dense field of smaller coral and a sandy seabed. The overall lighting is dim, typical of an underwater environment. The year '2024' is overlaid in the center in a large, white, bold font with a black outline.

2024

COMMUNITY

Engagement and Capacity Building

- support the local Yaro Village Kindergarten with infrastructure, labour, materials and supplies (general and school) including water reticulation for the school and teacher's cottage, painting of the school and teacher's cottage
- training and workshops eg animal health and welfare with Ministry of Agriculture; talanoa with village elders on Foundation projects and opportunities for engagement and implementation
- assistance with waste management
- assistance with garden site identification and seeding
- footbridge construction to ease villagers crossing to Solevu village
- successful lobbying of the Malolo District Paramount Chief "Na Momo Na Tui Lawa" to extend the traditionally demarcated Marine Protection Area (tabu) in front of the resorts to the villages



FUNDRAISING

How the Foundation Sources Its Funds

- donations from guests which are fully tax deductible as a Charitable Trust
- one-off donations or project specific eg adopt/name an Iguana, adopt a Reef Star, name a tree, etc – FJD\$90K raised to date and has gone towards a new Iguana sanctuary, Reef Star construction, nursery expansion, village waste and animal (spaying) management and, the reforestation project
- nightly opt-in charges on guest folios – forecast revenue for 2025 over FJD\$230K
- Ahura Resorts' contribution is to pay the salaries of the Foundation Team, therefore all donations are directly routed to the projects in full
- There are no overheads or administration costs associated with donations.



Project Partners

