2025
Annual Report

Coralive

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Message from Zoe Walker

Welcome to the 2025 Coralive Annual Report!

This year started with a busy stretch in the field and is ending with an equally busy period in the office as we prepare for some important changes within the NGO. With our founder and director, Aki, transitioning away from his director role and focussing on more of an advisory role, Matthew Walker and I will step into co-director positions in 2026. We're grateful for everything Aki has built and look forward to guiding Coralive together into its next chapter.

The first months of the year were spent in Palau, where our project moved into full operation. We were grateful for the time to thoroughly assess the site, conduct baseline surveys, and design a long-term restoration plan tailored to the local environment. Our approach included coral nurseries, genotype tracking, mini spawning hubs, ecological corridors, predation mitigation, community education, research, monitoring, and the installation of livestream cameras. It was a great opportunity to bring our team's collective experience into one coordinated project.

In May, we attended Ocean Gardener's Acropora ID course in Bali. This training strengthened our coral identification skills, increased our confidence in the field, and has already improved our restoration planning by deepening our understanding of the complex species we work with. We were able to put this directly into practice when we returned to Batanta in Raja Ampat in June. Alongside our annual restoration activities, we also got to spend more valuable time with Konstantinus, sharing knowledge of coral biology, monitoring and restoration so he can continue passing on these skills within his family and community.

This year also marked the launch of our volunteer, internship, and education programmes. Initiated by Mai-Linh, our marine experience manager at the Oaga project, the programme welcomed participants interested in learning about coral reefs and restoration while helping create a self-sustaining funding stream for our conservation work. Similar programmes for our Madagascar and Raja Ampat projects will be up and running next year as well.

Zoe Walker
Senior Project Manager

As we wrap up the year, we're focused on project planning, internal transitions, creating educational material for our courses and preparing for the field work in 2026. Thank you to all our partners, supporters, and friends for being part of Coralive's mission.

From all of us at Team Coralive, we wish you a wonderful year ahead.

Mission and Motivation

“Coralive's mission is to initiate a healing process in marine ecosystems, making them a healthier place

Thriving and diverse coral reefs are the foundation of a healthy ocean.

Through active and passive coral restoration efforts we help re-establish vital reef ecosystems on which twenty-five percent of all marine life depends.

Our specialised approach to coral reef restoration involves creating metal rebar structures supported by Mineral Accretion Technology (MAT). Beyond MAT, we employ various other coral restoration methods, including ex-situ spawning & rearing, micro-fragmentation, 3D-substrate printing as well as all the traditional in-situ coral propagation techniques.

By recognizing the interconnected nature of marine ecosystems, we support the health and recovery of coral reefs not only through our direct coral restoration efforts, but also through the protection and restoration of vital habitats such as mangroves and seagrasses. By integrating these diverse and tailored strategies, we hope to secure the long-term health and resilience of coral reefs around the world.

Fields of activity

Environmental Restoration

Coralive provides global best practices to catalyse the healing process and increase the ecosystem resiliency of shorelines against future disturbance.

- Coral nurseries
- Large scale coral relocations
- Mangrove nurseries & reforestation
- Seagrass transplanting
- Living breakwater installations

Marine Protected Areas

Coralive brings local stakeholders together to design, establish, and manage these vital refuges in nature.

- Implementation of MPA Management Plans
- Installation of Cutting-Edge Support Systems
- Surveillance & Enforcement Training

Environmental Data Collection

Coralive uses the latest available technology to perform underwater mapping, aerial surveying and multi-parameter water quality analysis.

- Hyperspectral & Photogrammetry scans
- Environmental Impact Assessment (EIAs)
- Monitoring of ecological key elements
- Livestream Underwater Cameras including AI

Livelihood Solutions

Coralive has expertise in planning and implementing such projects to ensure all voices are heard and all needs are met.

- Voluntourism programmes
- Waste Management incl. Waste2Wealth initiatives
- Seaweed Farming and low-impact Aquaculture

Environmental Education

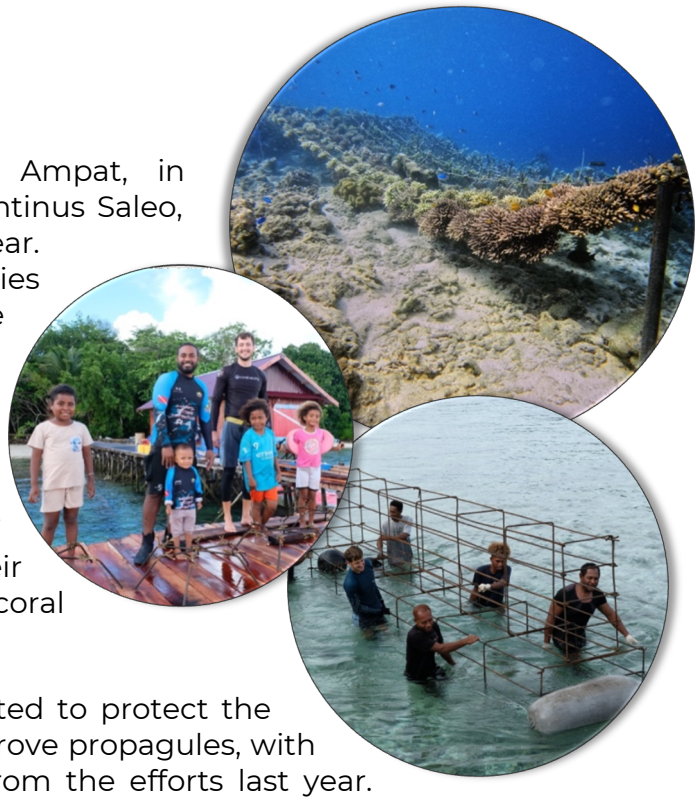
Coralive's final and perhaps most significant area of focus is the proper transfer of knowledge and experience to local residents in project areas and to the next generation.

- Plastic Pollution Awareness Campaigns
- Coral Reef, Mangrove Forest & Seagrass Education
- Cleanup Events
- Media creation

New and Active Projects

Project Indonesia – Batanta

April 2024 – Ongoing

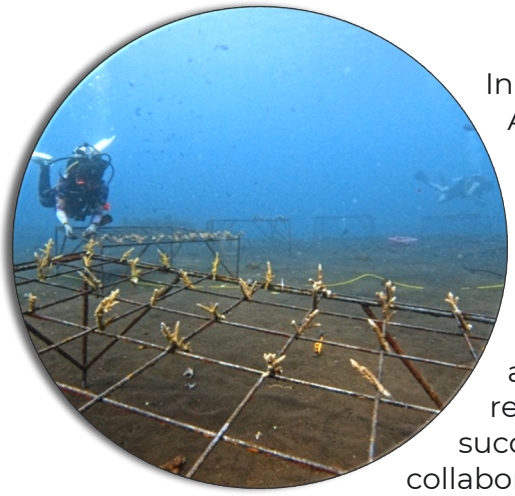


Our project at Dayan Homestay in Raja Ampat, in collaboration with local conservationist Konstantinus Saleo, has continued to make exciting progress this year. In June, more than 1,600 healthy coral colonies grown in our nurseries were outplanted onto the house-reef to begin the reef restoration process in front of the homestay. All rope nurseries were then repopulated with new coral fragments, with a focus on selecting high performing species from last year that also displayed heat-tolerent traits. A number of artificial reef structures were introduced as well to test their viability to stabilise rubble areas and extend coral outplanting into previously unsuitable zones.

Onshore, four new breakwaters were constructed to protect the coast and support the replanting of 1000 mangrove propagules, with early signs of beach recovery already visible from the efforts last year. Meanwhile, Konstantinus received further training in restoration, monitoring & data collection techniques, and work began on a 'conservation classroom' that will host students, volunteers, and visitors in the years ahead. With plans to launch voluntourism opportunities in 2026, this partnership is building not only reef resilience but also a stewardship that will sustain the project well into the future.

Project Indonesia - Bali

May 2025



In May, Coralive supported the installation of a Mineral Accretion Technology (MAT) nursery in Bali, in partnership with Ocean Gardener. The nursery, located at a site between Tulamben and Amed, can accommodate approximately 1,300 coral fragments and has shown promising survival rates so far this year. This was a quick collaborative project, with Coralive leading the installation and Ocean Gardener handling all coral population management, out planting, and restoration planning. The partnership was highly successful, and we look forward to future visits and collaborations.

Project Madagascar – Ifaty

May 2022 – Ongoing

Ifaty is located in the southwest of Madagascar, on Bay of Ranobe, and is home to our partner organisation ReefDoctor. We started our collaboration here in 2022 with a nursery near the locally managed 'Rose Garden' reef system. Additional rope nurseries were built with the local university, IHSM, further south. Since March 2025, we have a project manager on site again to revisit and expand the nurseries. This year's main work involved repairing existing nurseries after early-year cyclones. In August, a new rope nursery with 1,930 coral fragments showed promising 4-month survival (96%) with another larger nursery installed in November with 5,787 coral fragments. Located next to the Rose Garden reef system, these nurseries will be regularly monitored by our project manager and ReefDoctor until the coral fragments reach a sufficient size to be transplanted onto the natural and artificial reef systems in the vicinity.

Project Maldives – Oaga Resort

May 2018 – Ongoing

In 2025, our coral restoration efforts at Oaga Art Resort focused on rebuilding and strengthening our infrastructure and expanding our engagement programmes. The team successfully replaced and upgraded the MAT system restoring full functionality. This year also marked the introduction of Mai-Linh, our new Volunteer and Intern Marine Experience Manager, who has been instrumental in launching and overseeing the resort's Volunteer and Internship Program, initiated in September 2025. The program's first participants received hands-on training in coral gardening & restoration management, learning & contributing to coral attachment, outplanting, & nursery maintenance. Designed to reinvest participant contributions directly into restoration activities, the program establishes a self-sustaining model that funds ongoing coral conservation efforts. While the coral garden continues to recover from the 2024 warming event, our nursery corals and established pods are showing strong resilience and growth. These achievements lay a solid foundation for continued restoration success and long-term sustainability.

Project Palau – Koror

November 2024 – November 2025

In January, Coralive began installation of Palau's first large-scale coral restoration initiative at Palau Pacific Resort using Mineral Accretion Technology (MAT). With the support of Asian Development Bank (ADB), three nurseries were established with over 3,400 coral fragments representing 33 species and 163 genotypes. These nurseries serve a triple role, growing corals for future out planting, safeguarding local genetic diversity, and functioning as a spawning hub to improve reef connectivity and coral recruitment. Other methods, including an additional rope nursery for *Pocillopora damicornis* and a "clam causeway" built from recycled giant clam shells to help create ecological corridors for fish and expanding habitat complexity.

To safeguard these efforts, a Crown-of-thorns Starfish monitoring and culling programme was established and in July we also delivered the first phase of a tailored training curriculum for Palau Pacific Resort staff, ensuring local capacity for long-term site management. With out planting scheduled to begin in 2026, the groundwork for long-term reef regeneration is firmly in place. However, Coralive's direct role at this site concluded in November 2025, marking the handover of responsibility to ADB and Palau Pacific Resort.

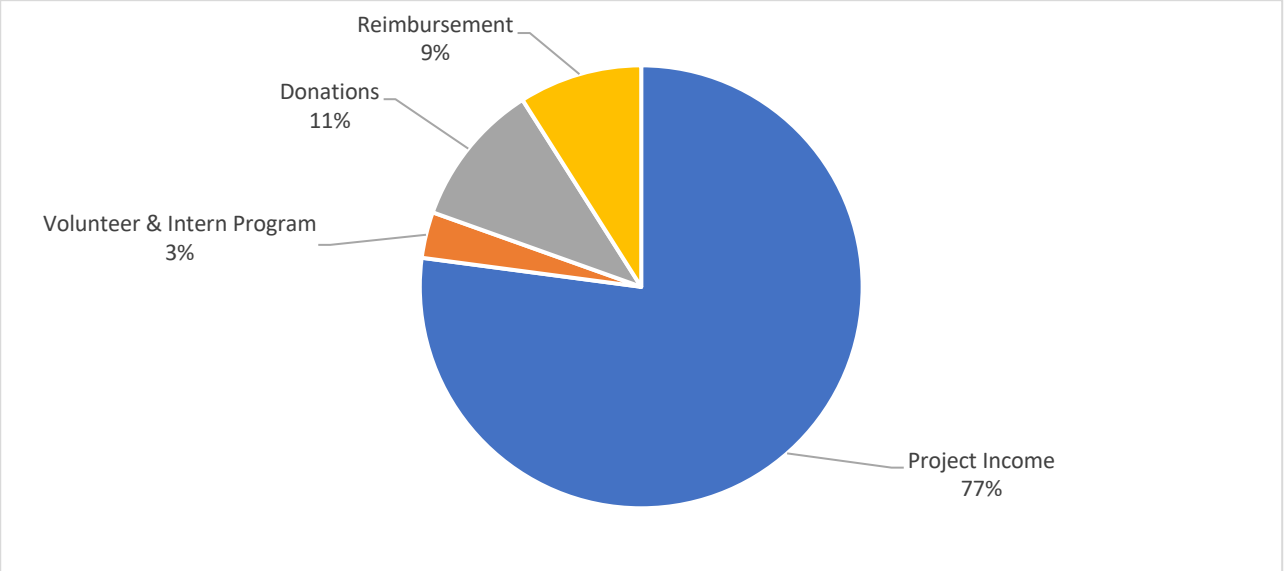
Project Kenya – Wasini Island

Initiated October 2025

In October, Coralive partnered with the Wasini Beach Management Unit (BMU), the NGO Reefolution, and the Kenya Marine and Fisheries Research Institute (KMFRI) to implement a coral restoration project on Wasini Island, Kenya. The initiative aimed to enhance coral reef resilience while empowering the local community through hands-on restoration and capacity-building activities. The project introduced the rope nursery technique to complement existing BMU restoration methods such as artificial reefs, bottle reefs, and table nurseries. Throughout the project, BMU members received practical training in coral nursery construction, maintenance, and monitoring, while local schools engaged in environmental education activities organised by Reefolution. Despite challenges such as limited underwater visibility and the physical effort required to transport materials to the site, the team successfully established multiple rope nurseries and strengthened community engagement in coral conservation. This initiative represents an important step toward long-term reef recovery and community-led marine conservation in the Wasini area.

Financials

Income 2025



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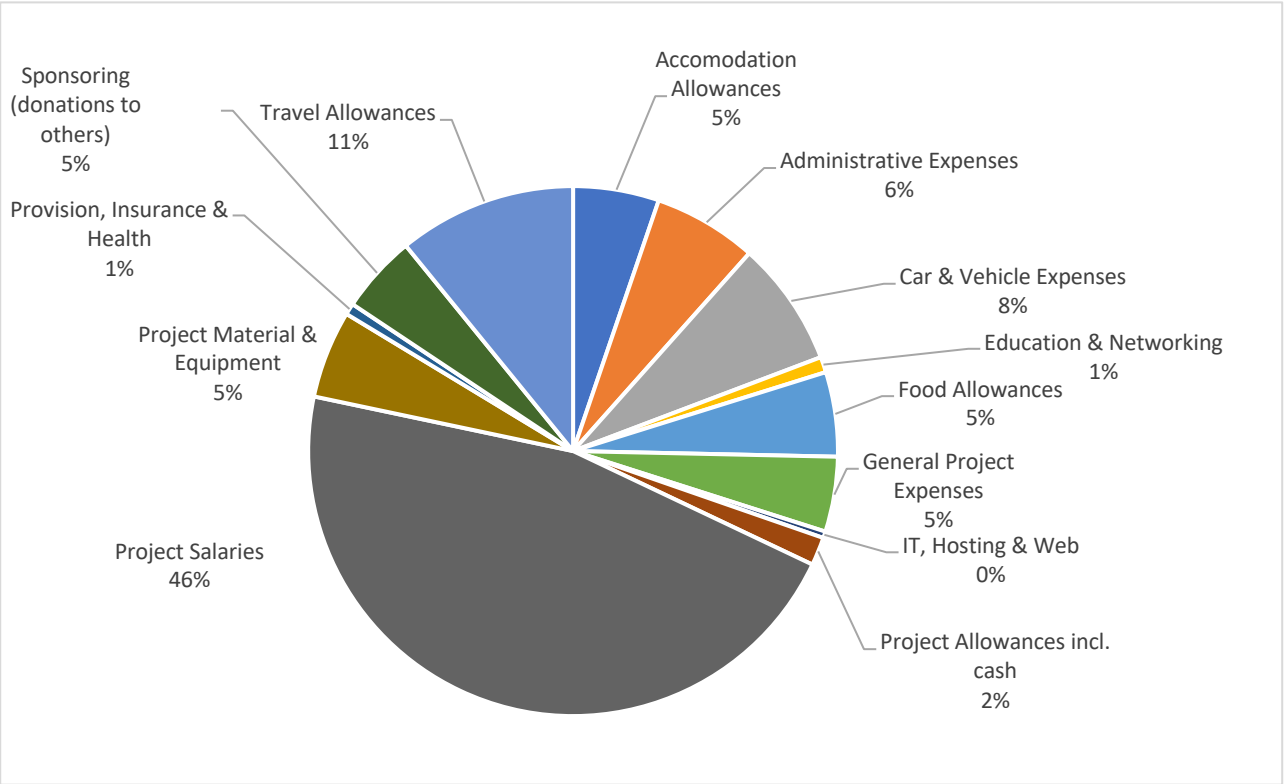

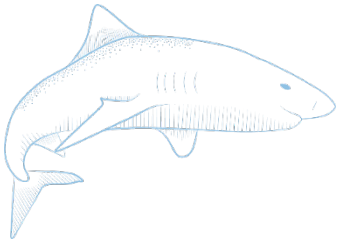

Looking Forward to 2026

The coming year will be marked by maintaining and expanding Coralive's wonderful partnerships across the globe, reorganizing the leadership and decision-making processes, and strengthening the position of our NGO with new projects, focusing on grass-root initiatives and volunteer experiences.

So, the major bullet points are handing over the Managing Director Position from Aki Allahgholi to the collaborative efforts of **Zoe and Matthew Walker**. Coralive exists for 10 years, and we have come a long way. Aki will remain active to support Coralive with fund-raising and project acquisition. Zoe & Matt are in the driving seat as of 1st of January 2026 for all decisions to shape the coming decade, fighting and supporting for what we all love so much: the corals and everything that is connected to them.

Coralive has also become part of a bigger family, the **CORAlliance** (Coastal & Ocean Regeneration Alliance – www.corall.eco). This new venture will take on the challenging bottleneck of outplanting corals in degraded reef areas. With R&D as well as implementation in Coral Nanofragmentation, Autonomous reef analysis, and ultra-large reef regeneration, this global network is set to revolutionise the coral restoration activities to make a measurable impact.

The 3rd expansion is offering **volunteer & internship opportunities** to anyone in love with the ocean. In selected locations where we work, we created opportunities to get hands-on experiences, as far as coaching to jumpstart the career of dedicated ocean conservationists.

In the pipeline for Q1 is focusing on our efforts in the Maldives, whether it is shaking hands with our existing project partners at Oaga and in Feridhoo, visiting new sites for upcoming projects or seek new opportunities to collaborate, Coralive's dedication to the Indian Ocean is one of our main pillars.

Furthermore, in Q2 as well as Q4, we will aim to return to West Papua to outplant several 1,000s of corals we grew with our Partners in Raja Ampat, Konstantinus as well as the Orang Laut with Lynn & Arno. This is combined with more in-field experience for volunteers that are dedicating their lives to corals.

In Q3 we hope to kick-off the project in the Andaman Islands, sharing our expertise with the Mineral Accretion Technology to support corals in nursery setups.

As an organization directly involved with active coral restoration, we are constantly aware about the global climate challenges and integrate new findings and constant adaptation as we seek to contribute the best we can to a healthy coral reef and ocean. We will continue to share restoration strategies to our global partners, staying informed about scientific developments and technological innovations that can make our efforts worthwhile and beneficial for generations to come.

Wishing everyone a healthy and eventful 2026.

Coralive couldn't do this without their help! We deeply appreciate all donations from individuals, charities and project partners to support our work helping to nurture and restore this marine environment to its full potential. Please keep in mind that all financial donations made by Swiss Citizens, Associations and Companies will receive a confirmation for tax deduction purposes.

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