

Founded in June 2021, the Galapagos Rescuing Foundation (the "Foundation") is a non-profit organization geared toward the conservation of the Galapagos ecosystem, famous for its unique plants and animals found nowhere else in the world.

Illegal fishing, invasive species and the demands of more than 160,000 tourists each year threaten this irreplaceable ecosystem and the people who depend on it for their food and livelihoods.

The Foundation is the first to be 100% run by permanent residents of the Galapagos; this positions the Foundation to create lasting public-private-partnerships that can have tangible impact in the Galapagos:

- The Foundation maintains a cooperation agreement with the municipality of San Cristobal to pursue projects related to environment management activities. The Foundation aims to assist with resources necessary for training, scientific research, development studies related to the development of sustainable infrastructure and businesses on the island.
- The Foundation has signed a Cooperation Framework Agreement with the Directorate of the Galapagos National Park. The Agreement establishes mechanisms for the Foundation to assist the department with various objectives listed under the department's official action-plan for the Protected Areas of the Galapagos Islands

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## **Partners**



Quarantine Agency for Galapagos

Biosafety and



Strategic / financial partner



## **Ongoing Projects**

- · Conservation programs for endemic petrel, snake, bat, lizard
- Programs to enhance control / surveillance capabilities of the parks department
- Coastal and area clean up initiatives
- Climate measurement capabilities of the parks department
- Community education programs (programs involving local fishing cooperatives, agriculture cooperatives)

