



Who We Are

We are the leading ecological NGO in eastern Venezuelan through the service of scientific research, conservation of coastal/marine ecosystems and islands of the country, and the education of its residents.

Since 2005, our activities aim to encourage people and promote the secure and continuous appropriate treatment of nature.

We are members of the ANUV-Venezuela (United Nations Association of Venezuela), and we are committed with diverse national and international organizations, with the purpose of serving people and the nature in an opportune and continuous way.

Our Motivation

The seas and oceans cover 70% of Earth's surface. They are the habitat of more than 90% of the living biomass and provide multiple resources and benefits to the human race.

Today, more than half of the world's population depends on the marine resources as their primary food source, but aquatic environments are the most fragile and most impacted by the industrial and domestic activities that, for their development, are man-made on land.

The waters of Venezuela aren't immune from this threat. The State exercises sovereignty over some 860,000 km² of the Caribbean Sea, 2813 km of coastline, and more than 300 islands.



The most important biochemical cycles of the region are produced in these spaces and they convert the Venezuelan sea into one of the richest biotic systems of the world, and consequently a strategic point for the economic and food security of the nation.

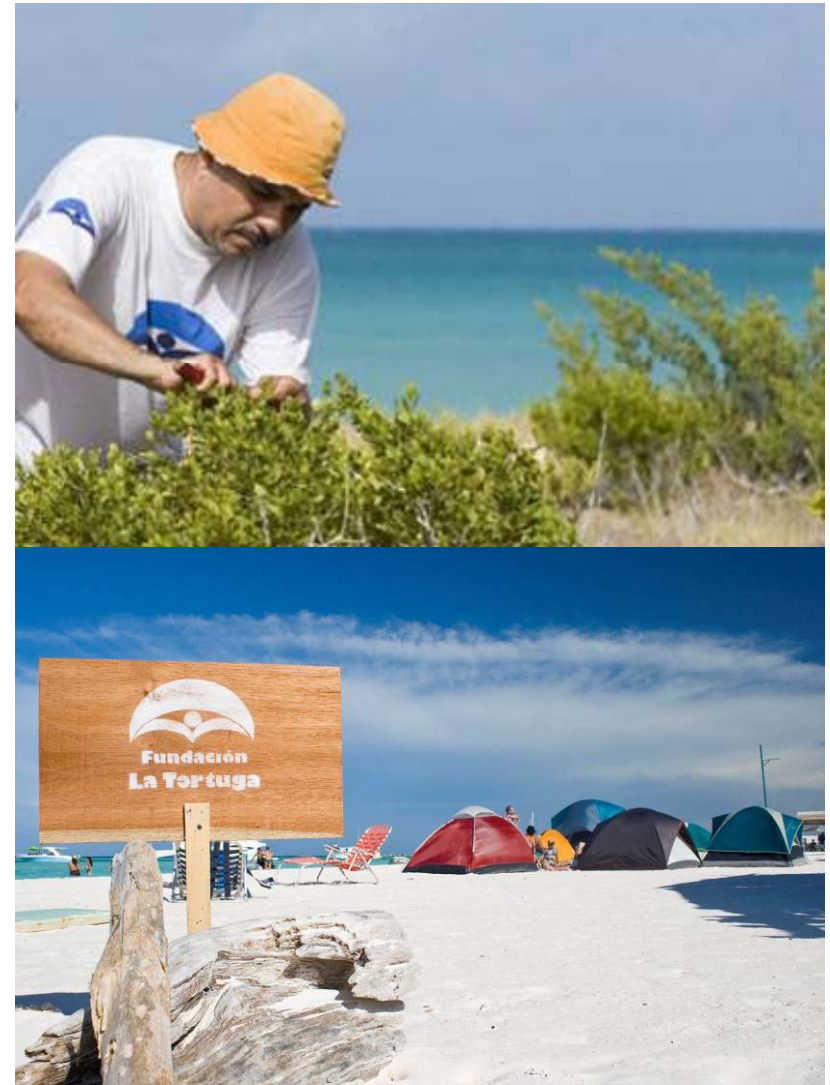
In Fundación La Tortuga we are convinced that the scientific research and application of the acquired knowledge in the implementation of correct management plans and effective environmental education programs for people of all levels, will allow the sustainable use of marine resources and a greater understanding of the benefits for present and future generations.



Our Vision

Through the work of conservation of Venezuelan marine spaces, Fundación La Tortuga will constitute itself, in short time, as a non-governmental environmental organization for reference in the coastal countries of Latin America.

The environmental education programs will serve as a model in the educational system of Venezuela and the contributions in science will complement other research institutions in the world dedicated to defense of nature.





How We Do It

All along the Venezuelan coast, we develop our management with a multidisciplinary team of professionals with expertise in the scientific, managerial and educational areas.

We also use flexible and innovative schemes of financing that permit participation of enterprises from all sectors interested in improving the ecological condition of our environment.

Scientific Activities

More than 40 scientific expeditions in the in the adjacent marine space to coast of states Anzoátegui, Sucre, Falcón, and the Venezuelan insular regions, among them, island La Tortuga and Isletas de Píritu.

Research applied to the conservation and preservation of the marine spaces of Venezuela.

Oceanographic - biological characterizations.

Design and execution of programs for the protection of endangered marine species.

Design and implementation of correct plans for the management of natural resources.





Educational Activities

- 36 workdays of cleaning the coasts of Mochima National Park, Morrocoy National Park, coasts of states Anzoátegui, Miranda, Vargas, Falcón, and diverse islands. Quantity of solid waste collected: 47 tons.
- 30 educational seminars to the residents of coastal zones, fishermen, and students of both public and private institutions.
- Workshops directed at children, youth, and adults about recycling and household waste management.
- Opportune diffusion of new scientific discoveries.



Our Values

- Effectiveness
- Ethics
- Preservation
- Respect
- Responsibility
- Tenacity
- Work

Our Team

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Our Team

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Prof. Iván Ramírez *Marine Spongy*

Prof. José Véliz *Botany*

Prof. Gedio Marín *Birds*

Lic. Gabriela Pérez *Ecology*

Lic. Sergio Cobarrubia *Marine Mammals*

Projects in Venezuela

- Center for Environmental Training and Development (Lechería-Anzoátegui).
- Biological and Oceanographic Characterization of the Federal Dependency Isla La Tortuga (Venezuelan islands).
- Physical, chemical, and biological variables of the Federal Dependency Isletas de Píritu (Venezuelan islands).
- Monitoring water quality of the channels of the Morro Resort (Lechería-Anzoátegui).
- Monitoring water quality of Mochima National Park and educational activities (Anzoátegui y Sucre).
- Monitoring water quality of the Morrocoy National Park and Wildlife Refuge Cuare (Falcón).
- Empowerment of boat for scientific use: Las Marías VI (Lechería).



With whom we work



- Scientists and specialists from around the entire country, well-recognized and highly trained.
- Support professional development in the area of planning, control, monitoring, education and outreach.
- Productive partnerships and active volunteers willing to assist in every proposed challenge.
- Large-scale boat for scientific use and dinghies for logistics and support in field work.



Financial Management

Fundación La Tortuga is working through the contributions of private enterprise established in the Organic Law of Science, Technology and Innovation, donations from individuals, and framed in the plans of corporate social responsibility of enterprises.

You want to be part of the solution, help us

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We're part of nature, not its owners.