

PROJECT SUMMARY

2020 - Yaf Keru - Child Aid Papua - Sawingrai

This reef restoration project was conducted in October 2020, in collaboration with our partners Child Aid Papua (CAP). CAP provides children living in the remote provinces of West Papua the opportunity for education, improve their knowledge of the world around them and to gain skills for lifelong learning, with a focus on conservation and the natural environment.

Our objectives were not only to restore a degraded area of reef, but once again, to use the task of transplanting corals and restoring reefs, as a tool to deepen connection and further understanding of the vital role coral reefs play in Raja Ampat's local communities, this time, with a focus upon children and teenagers.

The project was lead by 'uncle' Tomi, and 'big brothers' Pakis and Andreas of CAP, who, under the watchful eyes of many children, built and laid x19 3D reef structures upon which coral fragments were transplanted. This project was also significant in that it demonstrated in 'real life' a pathway to a livelihood in conservation for local children.

AREA RESTORED: 200sqm with an additional 200sqm of primary reef protected

NUMBER OF STRUCTURES: 19 animal-shaped structures

NUMBER OF CORALS TRANSPLANTED: 1624



3D structures being transferred to restoration location



Planting corals on Yaf Keru Sawingrai



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