

A Rocha Peru E-News

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"Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. John 12:24

Project News



Expanding environmental education in Pacasmayo

La Libertad Dry Forest Project works with children and adolescents at schools and churches to develop environmental awareness amongst students. Applying what they learn, the students can become agents of change for their communities.

Find out more



Showcasing La Libertad Dry Forest Project

La Libertad Dry Forest Project put on its first photographic event in 2021 and it was a success! The exhibition showcased project photos from the conservation, research, and environmental education activities to spread awareness of the project and its achievements since 2018.

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Biodiversity and research in the Calipuy National Reserve

A Rocha Peru collaborated with SERNANP Calipuy National Reserve last year, in May 2021, to contribute to the conservation and protection of the biodiversity in this area. The Calipuy National Reserve was established in 1981, with an area of 64,000 hectares, in La Libertad department.

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Community Voices

As part of our Iglesia Verde (Green Church) project, a mini-project was implemented with the Presbyterian and Reformed Church in Peru - Trujillo Family Mission (IPRDP), located in Trujillo. Lizeth Katherine León Reyes is a mother to one of the projects students, Nicolás Gabriel Vallejos León. In an interview with Lizeth, she described what she thought of the mini-project. The mini-project was "a miracle because in the church there is nothing related to nature and when they told me that they were going to plant seeds, they were going to make holes to sow, that my child will learn something about gardening (I thought) it would be very good"It has been "very nice, now my child has a tree that is very nice, big and green... he knows how to take care of his plant when it is hungry, when it needs water and is growing.."



Funding News

We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to all our donors. La Libertad Dry Forest Project is jointly funded by the Watersheds Foundation, Aatop, the Christian Reformed Church (CGK), and a number of individual donors from across the world. We are also delighted to announce we have also secured funding from the Sahee Foundation which has agreed to finance our La Libertad Dry Forest Project for 2022 and the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) of the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (FDFA) through Interaction Foundation for 2021-2022. For the development of our Stewardship of creation program for 2021-2022, we are collaborating with GZB (Gereformeerde Zendingsbond) a Christian foundation.

To all our donors, your incredible support and generosity help us to continue our important conservation work in the Peruvian dry forest and spread environmental awareness in our community. Please don't forget to continue sharing our link for our <u>current fundraising</u>

campaign for the dry forest.



Team News

We want to recognize our research students who are both studying at the Universidad Científica del Sur. Marcos Muñoz Marquez completed his field study this last year and Mariela de Los Ángeles Rivera Vilca is preparing her field and laboratory analysis for La Libertad Dry Forest Project. We appreciate their time and commitment to our project.

Please read more about our current team members on our website.



Events

In December we held our end-of-year event virtually, which was a wonderful opportunity for A Rocha Peru staff, associate members, and friends to review the accomplishments and challenges of the year that was and to gather in prayer for 2022.

Also, A Rocha has a new initiative to create new websites for its national organizations. A Rocha Peru is currently creating and working on this new website with A Rocha International. Stay tuned!



Some Interesting Reads

A Rocha, <u>Rancher Training in Peru</u> (Field Notes, issue 65, p8)

Matthew Phan (A Rocha), <u>Good news written in the landscape</u> (Field Notes, issue 65, p12)

Sarah-Lan Mathez-Stiefel (A Rocha), <u>The impact of human societies on nature</u> (Field notes podcast, Ep 18)

The Economist, <u>An eco-wakening: measuring global awareness, engagement, and action</u> for nature







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