

Welcome to Climate Foundation's first newsletter

This newsletter is to help keep you up to date with Climate Foundation's work, introduce you to some of the people involved and sometimes ask for your help (see the end of this newsletter) to reverse Climate Change in OUR lifetime.





The Climate Foundation is so grateful to Damon Gameau for featuring the Climate Foundation as a fundamental solution to climate change. Footage from his innovative documentary was shown to world leaders at the official opening of the 2019 United Nations Climate Action Summit in New York on September 23. The film was also screened in full to UN Climate Summit Youth delegates.

The film is now the fourth highest-grossing Australian feature documentary of all time at the domestic box office, with a cumulative box office total of \$1,434,183. AND - is being shown in 30+ countries.

2040 continues to deliver against its ambitious impact goals with an initiative to bring the seaweed climate solution featured in the film to Australian waters.

DONORS AND INTREPID FOUNDATION MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Thanks to you and the matching donation program from the Intrepid Foundation, Intrepid says "We reached our fundraising goal of AU \$350,000 in just four months.

With those funds, scientists collected spores from some of the surviving giant kelp populations to identify individuals that are more tolerant of warming waters. They have been breeding kelp in the lab to prepare for planting into the field. The spores may be tiny, but the implications are massive: this stage is crucial to enable the project to be scaled up. Plans for sustainable offshore platforms with giant kelp are well underway.



To continue the project's success, we (Intrepid) set a new goal: raise an additional AU \$250,000 to scale the project and trial marine permaculture systems farther offshore in Tasmania's Storm Bay. We passed this goal in just a few short months thanks to the outpouring of support from our donors. It's not just a step for the climate; it's a step for sustainable, environmentally-positive

aquaculture, local livelihoods and tourism. The project also supports kelp forest restoration efforts by planting warm-tolerant giant kelp on natural rocky reefs."

A big shout-out to all of you that donated funds to help us save this planet!

Thank you!

The money raised will allow the Climate Foundation and the University of Tasmania to deploy Australia's first regenerative marine permaculture test platform with the goal of restoring degraded giant kelp forests in Storm Bay, Tasmania.

In addition, we will continue to expand the kelp forest restoration efforts of giant kelp and the growing of giant kelp alongside salmon aquaculture farms. A whole lot of expanding and growing so that all of us that live on this planet can have a future!

To see a video of Damon Gameau sharing the news with Brian click HERE

To see what 2040 has achieved since its launch see HERE





Griffin was so moved and motivated by the 2040 documentary and the marine permaculture project that he wanted to do something. So this 9-year-old kid decided to spearhead a bake sale at Mount Stuart Primary School in, Hobart, Tasmania, to raise some money to donate to the Climate Foundation. Griffin was helped by his mom, his 5 year old sister Addie, and her Kinder classmates in Mrs Haas' class.

Those determined kids raised \$1000! What a perfect example of doing SOMETHING to help the planet. The class was super excited to present their earnings to the project. Cayne Layton, PhD, who is doing the Kelp research in Tasmania, received the cheque and gave a talk to the school.







Climate Foundation forges ahead in the Philippines

We are still expanding the Philippine CF seaweed Farm with the continuing help of mover and shaker Pepe Tubal. He enabled CF to have 400-500 seaweed lines by the end of 2019. Our first deep sea seaweed farm - Philippino style - is growing seaweed, which is attracting fish which attracting fishermen. Which means Ecosystem survival, food security and carbon balance is starting to happen. We are excited!



Pepe Tubal

Philippine Rural Development Project (PRDP) is one of the most innovative projects of the Philippines and is working closely with the Climate Foundation. CF representative Geronimo Apa, is on the board with the mayor and local legislators for the development of rural Compostela - which means things are happening.

We are hoping that the progress of our Kelp farm development will be supported by the PRDP programme through the Department of Agriculture. If it is, The local government will become partners in the development of the farming and fishing sector. For more information click <u>here</u>.



In early 2020 CF will initiate a meeting in Compostela Municipal Hall, with the Mayor, between the villagers, village leaders and the Department of Agriculture to formally introduce deepsea seaweed farming as a local alternative livelihood. We anticipate that a lot of villagers will welcome deepsea seaweed farming with the help of PRDP.

Kelp farmers and their children

Who's behind the Climate Foundation Newsletter?



Rosie Kaplan was inspired, after watching 2040, to do something. She offered to create this (from now on, bi-monthly) newsletter for Climate Foundation.

The small CF staff is currently overwhelmed with offers of help, for which they are truly grateful. An offer of something specific is easier for them to say yes to.

To volunteer please **CLICK HERE** for the Volunteer Application Form

One great way you can help us, is to let us know about carbon sequestration contests - yes there are such things - and carbon sequestration grants, Just send your findings to info@climatefoundation.org

And, here is your first mission if you choose to accept it!

Is there anyone who could make a 16 inch (41 centimetre) engineer's model of this illustration for the Museum of Design in Atlanta, Georgia, US.

Please reply to info@climatefoundation if you are willing and able.

