Sea Forward Joins CataCap to Make Ocean Impact Investing More Accessible

First-of-its-kind Platform Allows for High Impact with Low Dollar Amount

Santa Barbara, California Jun 5, 2025 (Issuewire.com) - Sea Forward is proud to announce a new opportunity for individuals to 'donate to invest' in ocean health, made possible through a launch on **CataCap**, a first-of-its-kind platform democratizing access to impact investing with philanthropic assets.

Individuals can now contribute as little as **$250** to support ocean health in high-impact areas with the potential to see returns to reinvest or grant out again. These donor investments, previously available only to major funders, can now be made into the Global Fund for Coral Reefs or across the broader Sea Forward portfolio, which includes a diverse set of investments into select ocean impact funds.

Sea Forward is a collaborative multi-donor advised fund at ImpactAssets* that invests in a healthier, more sustainable ocean. Each investment is recommended by a trusted network of ocean policy leaders, scientists, philanthropists, and entrepreneurs. The fund focuses on regenerative, science-backed solutions — from sustainable aquaculture to the circular economy.

The launch on CataCap comes just ahead of World Ocean Day on Sunday, June 8, providing an easy and timely way for individuals to take meaningful action toward protecting our ocean.

CataCap is a strategic initiative for mobilizing catalytic capital, including donor-advised funds (DAFs), toward impact ventures — particularly those led by underrepresented founders or focused on systemic change. Contributors can donate by credit card and will receive a tax receipt from CataCap. Through their donor account, they'll be able to follow the Sea Forward investment over time and recommend where they want the returns to be reinvested or donated.

“One of my goals when I launched Sea Forward was to make impact investing more accessible, approachable, and inclusive,” said Laura Francis, Fund Director. “With CataCap, we're opening the door for people from all types of backgrounds to get their feet wet in ocean-focused impact investing through their philanthropy, no experience required.”

The platform brings transparency and flexibility to a space often limited to large foundations and organizations. The potential for returns that can be reinvested or paid out as grants gives donors more control over their impact.

To explore how you can support Sea Forward's mission with a catalytic philanthropic contribution that powers impact-first ventures, visit app.catacap.org/group/seaforward, or email hello@seaforwardfund.org.

About Sea Forward

Sea Forward supports innovative and effective solutions in the ocean space with a focus on sustainable aquaculture, science-based monitoring tools, biodiversity, climate and regenerative nature-based solutions.

The Sea Forward Ocean Health Fund provides impact investors and philanthropists with a charitable structure to contribute tax-deductible dollars into a collaborative, multi-donor advised fund. The multi-donor advised fund invests in private funds, companies and nonprofits that focus on ocean health and sustainability. All contributions, net of administrative expenses, are available for impact investments, grant disbursals, field-building work, and program operations. Learn more at seaforwardfund.org.

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