SOA is awarding up to $2,000 USD to projects led by Ocean Leaders under 35 years old that align with UN SDG 14 targets, with an emphasis on projects related to climate change mitigation & adaptation, sustainable fisheries & fishing practices, sustainable development of coastal & island communities, and increasing scientific knowledge as well as basic ocean literacy.

Additionally, selected applicants are eligible to receive more project funding and skills development through the Deep Dive: Community Leadership program in October.

Please note: Project leaders must be proficient in English.

2020 Grantee Spotlight

**Ratio of Growth Rates and Coral Reef Transplantation**

This coral restoration project will use a concrete transplantation method to plant a test track of reef with goals to work with the local government to impose limitations on human activity in the transplantation area.

**Saltwater Classroom**

This nonprofit initiative runs weeklong workshops focused on ocean science and conservation for young students. Saltwater Classroom’s virtual programming creates a unique opportunity for students across the world to connect with one another and learn from ocean experts.