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PROJECT FACT SHEET

ECOSYSTEM-BASED ADAPTATION (EBA) FACILITY

Ecosystem Based Risk Reduction in Coastal Areas of Samaná and La Altagracia Provinces of the Dominican Republic

Project duration	January 2020 - July 2023 (36 months)	Total project costs	\$1,888,066.48
Country	Dominican Republic	EbA Facility grant	\$1,602,000
Lead organisation	Fundación REDDOM	Match funding	\$286,066.48
Partners	Fundación Dominicana de Estudios Marinos - FUNDEMAR, Centro para la Conservación y Ecodesarrollo de la Bahía de Samaná y su Entorno (CEBSE)	<small>All currency is stated in USD.</small>	



Illustrated Map of the Caribbean

PROJECT SUMMARY

Community-led restoration of coral reefs, mangroves, and forests across coastal areas and watersheds in Samaná and La Altagracia strengthened climate resilience, reduced flood risks, and protected biodiversity. Using a ridge-to-reef approach, the project integrated coral restoration with sustainable agroforestry and watershed rehabilitation to reduce downstream impacts, replicating successful models from across the Dominican Republic. Riparian reforestation and live barriers mitigated storm and flood impacts on downstream communities and coastal areas. Linking ecosystem restoration to improved livelihoods incentivized strong participation from farmers, local businesses, and community stakeholders.





ACTIVITIES AND AREAS OF WORK

Ecosystem Restoration

- Community-led mangrove, coral reef, and forest assessments and restoration
- Hybrid green/grey infrastructure (submerged sculptures, live barriers, infiltration structures)
- Sustainable agroforestry to stabilize slopes and regulate water flows

Capacity Building

- Community training in EbA, climate risk reduction, mangrove/coral/forest restoration, and soil conservation
- Participatory planning workshops with local authorities, businesses, and communities

Livelihoods & Economic Resilience

- Ecotourism and sustainable fisheries development via fishermen cooperatives
- Eco-friendly business support linked to protected coastal ecosystems
- Agroforestry promotion to diversify income and reduce overfishing pressure

KEY IMPACT & INDICATORS



1,513 supported in climate change or conserve ecosystems

1,078 ha ecosystems protected

276,814 tCO₂e reduced or sequestered

661 individuals reported enhanced livelihood opportunities

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CARIBBEAN BIODIVERSITY FUND

The Caribbean Biodiversity Fund (CBF) is a regional umbrella environmental fund dedicated to sustaining nature and improving lives through innovative financing solutions. The CBF through its three strategic programs: Conservation Finance, Climate Change, and Nature-based Economies collaborate with governments, communities, and development partners across the Caribbean region.

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