

Few programs realize the need for involving today's youth in creating solutions for the ocean's many needs.

By creating classroom programs and educational tools that can be used by parents, teachers and educators, Oceans for Youth hopes to affect long term change in how the ocean is perceived and preserved by our next generation.



A Solution

A nationwide force of volunteers has been recruited from the diving industry including educators, marine biologists, and instructors. Before the programs began, more than 700 volunteers signed up — all concerned individuals who share the same passion and respect for the Earth's aquatic environments. Oceans for Youth will continue recruiting people to share their passions with the youth in their local areas.

Oceans for Youth supplies the programs and information for the volunteers and educators to present in classrooms, to youth groups and other venues where kids can be excited, informed and positively influenced. Oceans for Youth will provide volunteers continual resources to return with different programs and messages.

The volunteers will introduce a noncommercial Web site that kids and teachers will be able to access for all future education and projects that relate to marine environments. The site will be nonpolitical and serve as a complete ocean education with articles, photography, a complete reference library and links to countless other educational sites. The objective of the site is to provide kids, teachers and parents with an ongoing source of education and fascination.

Additional Objectives...

Provide and support marine science camps, scuba camps for kids and teens and workshops that involve experiential education and hands-on learning.

Provide and encourage students to experience the aquatic environment to stimulate a personal interest in the marine sciences.