Fighting For Our Coast

20 Years

Restore Retreat
With your help, we can continue our mission.

As a non-profit coastal advocacy group created by coastal Louisiana residents and stakeholders, ROR recognizes that the Barataria and Terrebonne basins are the two most rapidly eroding estuaries on earth, and that this erosion represents an economic and ecological crisis.

ROR has advocated for such projects as freshwater and sediment diversions into the Barataria and Terrebonne Basins, marsh creation, shoreline restoration, and barrier islands, just to name a few. And through it all, we have called for heightened federal and state attention to the Barataria and Terrebonne Basins though several different planning processes, including the State Master Plan and post-spill planning efforts like RESTORE Act and the Natural Resource Damage Assessment Process.
Since our inception in 2000, our mission has remained the same: ROR seeks to identify and expedite the implementation of aggressive, large-scale restoration projects to protect this irreplaceable region with the help of a diverse membership of businesses and individuals.

Working for Our Coast
ROR continues to forge relationships with policy makers across Louisiana as we work on projects and initiatives such as:

- Coastal Master Plan & Annual Plan Development
- Coastal Day at the Louisiana Legislature
- GOMESA Coalition
- Coastal Financing
- Governor’s Advisory Commission

Working with Our Members
To ensure our progress and goals are always in focus, we host several membership events throughout the year including:

- Annual Meeting
- BHP "COAST" Project
- Rendezvous Fundraiser
- Field Report Webinars
- Chevron 360 Virtual Reality Video
- Working for Our Coast
- Coastal Candidate Luncheon

Working With Our Communities
Our mission revolves around the communities we serve and ensuring we preserve our culture and way of life. To encourage our restoration efforts, we strive to include those impacted the most through events and programs such as:

- Delta Dispatches Weekly Podcast
- Diversions Outreach and Engagement
- Nicholls Coastal Center Development
- Field Trips for Senator Whitehouse, Alex Hergott, Congressional Staffers and More
- Conservation on Tap
- Fletcher Coastal Program Advisory Committee
- GNO Inc Policy Institute
- Institute of Journalism for Natural Resources
- Jefferson and Terrebonne Parishes Coastal Day
- Mississippi River Commission Low River Visit Reception
- Creole Classic Fishing Rodeo
- Southwings Quarterly Meet up in Galliano
There are many ways to contribute to Restore or Retreat and support effective coastal restoration efforts in the Barataria and Terrebonne Basins of Louisiana:

**Annual Donation**
Donating annually by cash, check, credit card, or online is always tax-deductible and the simplest and most direct way to contribute.

**Employee Giving**
Many employers match donations to non-profit organizations, sometimes dollar-for-dollar. This can include membership payments. Other companies match a percentage of the gift. Check with your employer to see if your company has a matching program.

**Gifts of Securities**
Donating appreciated stock benefits both the donor and Restore or Retreat. The donor receives two tax-related benefits. First, the appreciated value of the donated stock is not subject to capital gains taxes. Second, the donor can deduct the fair market value of the stock as a charitable contribution (subject to IRS rules).

**Gifts in Memory or in Honor of a Loved One**
There are many times when you want to say something special to a family member, friend or associate. A gift to Restore or Retreat in honor or memory of a special person will help continue our mission of achieving sustainability for our irreplaceable region, while giving you a unique opportunity to commemorate a birthday, anniversary, wedding, holiday, retirement, graduation, or the loss of a loved one. Your thoughtfulness will be acknowledged immediately to the person or family you are honoring.

**Donations of Products (In-Kind)**
Product donations for special events such as the ROR Annual Meeting or “Barnstorming to Save Our Coast” reduce our organization’s overall expenses and help us spend more funds on our mission.

**Donation of Time and Services**
Restore or Retreat often could use volunteers for different organizational and community events. ROR also has a great network within the community to direct volunteers to other volunteer opportunities such as beach sweeps and coastal plantings.

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