

Community Innovation for a Stronger Maine Coast

STRATEGIC OVERVIEW OF ISLAND INSTITUTE

MISSION

We boldly navigate climate and economic change with island and coastal communities to expand opportunities and deliver solutions.

VISION

Maine's island and coastal communities thrive in a rapidly changing world, leading as models of innovation.

VALUES

- Hopeful Persistence
- Authentic Collaboration
- Resourcefulness
- Connection to Place
- Clarity of Purpose

STRATEGIC IMPERATIVES

Be the most
trusted voice on
coastal issues

Implement
community-led
climate solutions

Build an enduring
and prosperous
marine economy

Meet urgent needs
for community
capacity

Develop a
long-term sustainable
business model

Cultivate a
unified and values-
driven culture

OBJECTIVES

- To increase capacity, expand resources, and accelerate impact in communities
- To create impact with strategic partners that is impossible for us to accomplish alone
- To educate, inform, advocate, and promote participation among those who care about the coast of Maine
- To attract, develop and retain high-performing and inspired employees who align with our values
- To attract philanthropic support for greater mission impact

For 40+ years, Island Institute has courageously and collaboratively forged resilient island and coastal communities. We believe the people most affected by challenges should be at the center of the solutions. That's why we're committed to proactive engagement—rallying resources, fostering partnerships, and mobilizing expertise to strengthen Maine's coast.

