



# HUMANITARIAN CRISIS IN UKRAINE UPDATE

DECEMBER 31, 2024

The escalation of the international armed conflict between Russia and Ukraine over the past three years has left behind insurmountable suffering, death and destruction. The conflict in Ukraine has resulted in the largest human displacement crisis in the world today. Within the borders of Ukraine, more than 3.6 million people are still displaced, and more than 6.8 million people are displaced across Europe.<sup>1</sup>

Thanks to the generosity of donors and support from the Government of Canada, the Red Cross continues to work around the clock to provide vital humanitarian assistance to people who are impacted by the conflict.

## CANADIAN RED CROSS RESPONSE

- Deployed 61 highly trained humanitarian experts to support the Red Cross Red Crescent Movement response in operations management, migration and displacement, cash assistance, health coordination, shelter and winterization, communications, and coordination of response efforts.
- Provided more than 422,000 emergency relief items such as blankets, tarps, and cooking supplies to Ukraine and neighbouring countries, thanks to donations as well as support from the Government of Canada.
- Provided funding for more than 86,800 primary healthcare consultations through 11 Mobile Health Units during more than 4,700 community visits in the Cherkasy and Poltava Oblasts in Ukraine. Red Cross teams are reaching people in remote areas where infrastructure has been damaged and access to health care has been affected. Teams are providing health assessments, medication, treatment for minor injuries, and referrals for additional care.

- Provided funding for the salaries of up to 15 psychotherapists at the Lviv Clinical Hospital of Emergency and Intensive Care, Ukraine, due to the ever-increasing mental health needs. Since October 2022, the team has provided more than 20,800 therapy sessions to more than 5,000 patients who have experienced traumatic events, and 79 people have benefitted from psychological sessions for domestic and/or sexual abuse. The integration of mental health into a regular hospital setting is the first of its kind in Ukraine.
- Supported the recruitment of 92 social helpers who have been providing home-based care to 519 people, including older adults and people living with chronic illnesses or disabilities in the Cherkasy and Poltava Oblasts. This includes help with personal hygiene, cooking, cleaning, support with medication, and changing wound dressings.
- Supported Ukrainian Red Cross volunteers delivering more than 4,300 psychosocial activities aimed at reducing stress and increasing the resilience of communities in the Cherkasy Oblast.
- Provided building materials and financial assistance to help households carry out urgent repairs on their homes that have been damaged as a result of attacks.

<sup>1</sup> International Organization for Migration (IOM), as of December 2024





**RED CROSS RED CRESCENT MOVEMENT\* COLLECTIVE RESPONSE  
IN UKRAINE AND SURROUNDING COUNTRIES, WITH SUPPORT  
FROM THE CANADIAN RED CROSS**

- More than CHF 462 million (\$716 million CAD) in financial assistance has been distributed to support people with basic needs, rent and utilities, health, and education.
- More than 740,000 people benefited from improved living conditions through assistance to centres for people who are internally displaced, or with cash assistance for people who are internally displaced and families hosting them.
- More than 693,000 people gained access to improved or rehabilitated medical services.
- More than 7.5 million people were reached with food assistance, and more than 2.7 million people were reached with hygiene supplies.
- More than 17.6 million people have received emergency relief items, including food, water, blankets, and help accessing basic services.
- Assisted more than 1.9 million people with primary health services and/or referrals to public health institutions.
- More than 10,800 families received news on the fate or whereabouts of their loved ones.
- 60 Red Cross Red Crescent National Societies and more than 186,000 trained volunteers are actively responding in more than 45 countries to meet the needs of the millions of people impacted by the conflict.
- More than 412,000 people have benefited from protection, gender, and inclusion activities.
- 15.2 million people benefited from improved access to water and more than 1.6 million people to adequate heating in various regions across Ukraine.
- Reached close to 2.7 million people in Ukraine with hygiene supplies.
- Provided more than 1 million people in Ukraine with mental health and psychosocial support.
- Supported 397 health facilities in Ukraine with medical equipment, tools, and medication.

\* International Committee of the Red Cross figures as of December 31, 2023 and International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies figures as of December 31, 2024.



## YOUR GENEROSITY AT WORK

# UKRAINE HUMANITARIAN CRISIS APPEAL UPDATE

The Canadian Red Cross thanks the generous individuals, businesses, and the Government of Canada who provided funds in support of people impacted by the crisis in Ukraine.

The International Red Cross Red Crescent, including Canadian Red Cross, continues to respond to the evolving needs of people whose homes, livelihoods and access to critical services are threatened by the conflict, and is committed to helping meet humanitarian needs for the months and years to come.

## UNDERSTANDING THE NUMBERS

### Grand total of funds to date:

This includes the total funds donated, as well as the matching funds commitments of \$30 million thanks to the Government of Canada.

### Allocation of funds to date:

This is the projected budget across each area of spending for the grand total. The allocations reflect the needs of the people and the communities that have been identified to date. Many needs emerge over time and the allocation amounts may be adjusted accordingly.

### Spent and committed to date:

These are the funds that have been already spent to assist those impacted by the conflict, as well as funds that have been committed with authorized contracts or agreements for projects or initiatives, where applicable.

### Cost of fundraising:

Fundraising costs are associated to the total funds donated to date (\$191.5M), not the grand total including funds received from the federal government. These costs can include donation processing fees; credit card and bank fees; service fees for call centres and digital platforms; technology costs; and ongoing communications and reporting to donors. The fundraising costs associated with this appeal are 1.9 per cent.

# THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

## BREAKDOWN OF FUNDS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024

I FUNDS DONATED: **\$191.5M**

I FUNDS FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA: **\$30M\***

I TOTAL FUNDS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024: **\$221.5M**

TO SUPPORT:		ALLOCATED AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024	TOTAL SPENT OR COMMITTED AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024
<b>Basic needs for people in Ukraine and surrounding countries, including people who have been displaced due to the conflict, as well as people who remained in areas of conflict in Ukraine.</b>	Emergency relief supplies such as food, clothing, hygiene kits, blankets and cooking supplies, cash assistance for people to purchase items based on their specific needs, healthcare – including mental health and psychosocial support, first aid, child-friendly spaces and protection services, as well as information about available services.  Winterization efforts through the provision of generators, fuel, stoves, winter clothing and footwear, as well as support for minor repairs and utility costs for emergency shelters to help ensure those displaced by the conflict are kept warm.  Assistance for individuals, families and communities in areas that experienced or are currently experiencing direct conflict in Ukraine.	<b>\$182.2M</b>	<b>\$164.7M</b>
<b>People in need of healthcare services in Ukraine</b>	Support to home-based care and mobile health units that travel to remote areas of the Cherkasy and Poltava Oblasts in Ukraine to provide medical services to people requiring care.  Support for the salaries of psychotherapists at Lviv Clinical Hospital of Emergency and Intensive Care and support to the mental health and psychosocial support activities in Cherkasy Oblast to address the mental health and psychosocial needs of the people impacted by the conflict.	<b>\$18.2M</b>	<b>\$11.0M</b>
<b>Capacity building to strengthen local efforts to assist people in Ukraine and surrounding countries</b>	Support the ability for local communities to respond to evolving needs associated with the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine, such as the creation of safeguarding tools, offering language classes, and integrating mental health and psychosocial support for people accessing Red Cross Red Crescent services.	<b>\$17.4M</b>	<b>\$14.2M</b>
<b>Cost of fundraising</b>		<b>\$3.7M</b>	<b>\$3.5M</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>\$221.5M</b>	<b>\$193.4M</b>

87% of the total funds raised have been spent or committed as of December 31, 2024.

\*Government of Canada matching fund commitments.