CRISIS IN UKRAINE

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BY THE NUMBERS

A.6 Million+ fleeing to other countries
2.6 Million to Poland | 700,000 to Romania
415,000 to Moldova | 257,000 to Slovakia
430,000 to Hungary

6.5 Million+

Internally displaced persons

Sources: UNHCR April 12; UNICEF; OCHA April 11

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF RESPONSE

We have committed \$7 million to respond to this crisis, and we expect to increase this amount as we secure additional funding.

Our Humanitarian Action team is working with partners to implement programming based on short and long-term needs in Poland and in Ukraine. We have deployed additional technical staff to support our relief operations, including a program manager, a health advisor, and an advisor to lead our efforts to prevent sexual exploitation and abuse in Ukraine and for Ukrainian refugees.

Our response in Ukraine includes:

- **Medical supplies and equipment.** We are supporting health facilities in Ukraine in partnership with the Order of Malta by providing supplies, including surgical and wound care kits, gauze, IV kits, oxygen masks, defibrillators and stretchers.
- Partnerships with networks throughout Ukraine to provide shelter. We are partnering with networks in Ukraine to provide ongoing support to six facilities that are being used to shelter internally displaced persons. We're providing food and essential supplies and equipment, like folding beds, pillows, heaters, laundry detergent, toilet paper, and personal hygiene items. In all, we'll offer nearly 60,000 nights of shelter for people who need a place to stay.
- Identifying key gaps in the availability of services. We are designing an assessment process to identify key gaps in the availability of health services related to genderbased violence, mental health services and psychosocial services and communicable diseases. This work will be used to inform our response to support the Ministry of Health and other health care providers in Ukraine.



A young boy in the Kraków Główny Main Station after arriving from Ukraine.

Our response in Poland includes:

- Emergency cash and vouchers for Ukrainian refugees in Poland. We've committed \$2 million to this effort in a combined program with Lutheran World Federation (LWF) that will support an initial caseload of more than 1,300 refugee families for the next three months.
- Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse: We're integrating a referral system at our cash distribution sites in Poland so refugee women and children can safely and easily access protection services. We are an active member of the Regional Gender Task Force for Ukraine response, which is co-chaired by UN Women and Care International.
- Ongoing support for the Evangelical-Augsburg Church of St. Martin in Krakow, Poland, which has established a hostel for Ukrainian women and children. We have provided essential supplies including milk, energy biscuits, personal hygiene products and room partition panels.
 We will continue to support the church to expand its relief operations in coordination with LWF.
- Shipping and distributing LWR Quilts and Care Kits in partnership with local organizations.

We are grateful for the thousands of Lutherans across the United States whose care and generosity have made it possible for us to respond immediately. At this time, financial gifts are the number one need to assist refugees on the move.

Until your love reaches every neighbor.



