

SITUATION REPORT: WAR IN UKRAINE

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BY THE NUMBERS



17.7 Million Ukrainians in need



7 Million+ fleeing to other countries



6.9 Million+
Internally displaced persons

Source: OCHA August 31, 2022

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF RESPONSE

We have committed more than \$12.1 million to respond to this crisis, and we will expand our response to reach more Ukrainians as we secure additional funding. We have deployed technical staff to support our relief operations, including program managers, 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:

- **Caring for Ukrainians who fled their homes.** We've partnered with the Federation of Trade Unions of Ukraine (FPU) to support union-run centers that are being used for temporary housing. We're helping more than 15,000 of the most vulnerable internally displaced persons (IDPs) by covering the cost of their stay at the center, including meals. We've provided LWR Quilts and Kits, toys for children, food and essential supplies and equipment, like folding beds, pillows, heaters, laundry detergent, toilet paper, and person hygiene items. Currently, we are expanding our support to more centers across the country and helping the centers prepare for winter by replacing windows.
- **Sending medical teams to areas where there is a critical shortage of health care.** The teams will provide specialized services for people who need treatment for cancer, cardiovascular issues, diabetes and more. They'll also help people in urgent need of mental health care for PTSD and trauma. At the same time, these teams will support and advise local primary care workers. The teams will operate out of existing clinics and medical centers. And where health facilities have been destroyed, they will operate out of mobile clinics. We are partnering with Ukraine-based organization Infection Prevention and Control.

- **Delivering medical supplies and equipment.** We are supporting hospitals in Ukraine with supplies, including surgical and wound care kits, gauze, IV kits, oxygen masks, defibrillators, stretchers, and medicines, like insulin, morphine and medications for treating chronic illnesses.
- **Identifying key gaps in the availability of health services.** We're conducting health assessments using a methodology that provides real-time planning and management information and informs our ongoing response in Ukraine.

Our response in Poland includes:

- **Providing emergency cash and vouchers for Ukrainian refugees in Poland.** We've committed more than \$2 million to this effort in a combined program with Lutheran World Federation that is supporting an initial caseload of more than 1,300 refugee families through September 2022. We are extending cash support beyond September and will continue to provide operational and technical assistance.
- **Providing sexual exploitation and abuse protection services.** We've integrated protection services for refugee women and children into our cash programming and have established training and referral systems in Ostroda, Gdansk, Wroclaw and Bytom.
- **Supporting the Evangelical-Augsburg Church of St. Martin in Krakow,** 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.
- **Shipping and distributing LWR Quilts and Care Kits in partnership with local organizations.** We've shipped or distributed nearly \$1 million worth of LWR Quilts and Care Kits in Poland and Ukraine.

We have also committed separate funding to respond to the escalating global ripple effects of the war, which have decimated critical supply chains of commodities such as wheat, cooking oils and fertilizers. The effects are further escalating food crises being fueled by inflation and price hikes, climate related shocks and widespread conflict in many of the countries where we work. Our initial efforts will focus on the Sahel area of Africa, including Mali, Niger and Burkina Faso and will include both humanitarian interventions to address acute needs as well as longer term efforts to build resilience and stronger local markets. We have already launched programming in the Ségou region of Mali, reaching more than 9,000 of the most vulnerable people with emergency food assistance and agricultural interventions.

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