

## Podkarpackie Coordination Group (PCG)

Date: Wednesday, 28 June 2023

Time: 11:00am – 1:00pm

Venue: Governor's Office in Rzeszów

### General Discussion Highlights:

Opening Remarks	
<p><b>Bogdan Mazur, Director Department of Security and Crisis Management – Podkarpackie Voivodeship Office:</b> The situation has changed little since the last meeting. Border traffic looks similar to previous months, we saw a slight increase in movements after the recent demolition of the dam in Ukraine, but after a few days the situation returned to its previous state. Current numbers at the Przemyśl station are around 2,000 arrivals, but it should be noted that not everyone who gets there is fleeing the war.</p> <p><b>Question</b> <b>Michał Szachmat – Ukrainian House:</b> Last week, there was uncertainty about the future of the reception center. In a situation of major changes in operations, we need advance information to organize the transfer of our activities accordingly. What are the Voivodship plans for the site?</p> <p><b>Response:</b> <b>Bogdan Mazur, Director Department of Security and Crisis Management – Podkarpackie Voivodeship Office:</b> The current order from the Voivode to operate a reception center in Przemyśl is valid until July 15. We plan to change the formula of the point's operation to help only refugees. As for the issue of logistics, you have direct arrangements with PKP, which does not interfere in any way with the activities of the reception point.</p>	
RRP and Activity Info Reporting Update	Action Points
<p><b>Iliia Markowski, UHCR Information Management Associate:</b> Presentation of Regional Refugee Response Plan for period January – December 2023. In Podkarpackie Area, 15 RRP organizations and 2 non-RRP organizations submitted reports within following sectors: Accountability towards Affected Population, Basic Needs, Child Protection, Education, Health, MHPSS, PSEA, Protection, Shelter and WASH.</p> <p>Main goals of reporting are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Accountability, towards the people we work for, the public and governments</li> <li>2. Coordination at inter-sector and sector level, including identification of gaps in response</li> <li>3. For each agency, who may use the data to better cooperate with other agencies in their areas of intervention</li> </ol>	



The operation of ActivityInfo, a tool that is used for reporting by organizations that are part of RRP, was presented. To request access, get in touch via [polwarrpsupport@unhcr.org](mailto:polwarrpsupport@unhcr.org) or feel free to contact Ilia Markowski: [markowsk@unhcr.org](mailto:markowsk@unhcr.org) or Abdullah Alshaihani: [alshaiab@unhcr.org](mailto:alshaiab@unhcr.org)

Information necessary:

Organization: Name, Acronym, National or International

Users: Name, Email, Function, Role of User

Roles:

Reporting: Right to enter and edit data, Analysis (M&E)

Information Managers: no writing rights, Analysis (Project/Program Managers, IM)

### PSAR - Supporting refugee and host population - updates and plans

### Action Points

#### Jan Marković – Podkarpackie Stowarzyszenie dla Aktywnych Rodzin (PSAR):

PSAR carries out the following activities and projects and presented these to the PCG:

- Cultural projects
- Gender-equality projects
- Center for Psychophysical Development TUTU
- School That Connects
- Youth Center in Rzeszów (planned)

#### Question:

#### Jolanta Tomczyk – Fila - Director Department of Social Affairs – Podkarpackie Voivodeship Office

We observe that many Ukrainian children do not attend classes in Polish schools. Do you think that at least the fact of remote education through participation in the lessons of schools from Ukraine has an impact on the mental health of children - especially during adolescence, when the social needs of children are high? Polish schools can help these children, teachers show great empathy.

#### Response:

#### Jan Marković – PSAR:

We can't look from the sidelines and say directly what option is best for children. We have to start from the specific needs of children. Currently, about 20-25% of refugee youth attend Polish schools. In the case of children struggling with severe depression, trauma, high distraction, then Polish school may not be the best option. Of course, the Polish state organizes a lot of support, but in schools such children are often accompanied by teasing by Polish and Ukrainian children. We would like every Ukrainian child to integrate, but forcing children to attend a particular education system from a psychological point of view is not a good option. As psychologists, our main task is to provide the right mental resources to children.

**UNHCR + partners:** To create a space for discussion on education of Ukrainian children in Podkarpackie



**Other comments:**

**Ewelina Bosak – CORE:**

In our experience, social workers from MOPS/GOPS play a big role in helping Ukrainian children.

**Monika Marković – PSAR:**

It is also worth noting that parents may also have problems, which may exacerbate the children’s stress levels.

**Culturelab – Mapuj Pomoc and Open Cities and Villages campaign**

**Action Points**

**Julia Bochenek & Aleksandra Sitkiewicz - Culturelab:**

Run by Culturelab, Mapujpomoc.pl is the largest nationwide information portal and aid map for Ukrainian refugees and the organizations and institutions that support them. The database includes 121 refugee assistance points located in the Podkarpackie region. 88 of them are active, while 33 have already been closed.

The main functionalities of the platform were presented, and people were invited to the training sessions on its use, which were organized the following day.

**UNICEF - MHPSS and Violence against children communication**

**Action Points**

**Kseniia Yoruk – UNICEF:**

Presentation on the communication campaign, “The roof is in your hands”.

The campaigns consist of materials on helping Ukrainians with:

- Reporting violence against children
- Physical violence
- Emotional and psychological violence
- Sexual violence
- Cyber bullying
- Bullying

**Participants:**

Organization	Name	Surname	Organization	Name	Surname
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CORE	Ewelina	Bosak
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PCK	Emilia	Łabędzka
PSAR	Ewelina	Podoba
PSAR	Jan	Marković
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