

ROMANIA Weekly Update #108

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Key figures

172,043 refugees

obtained temporary protection in Romania.

15,135 refugees

enrolled for cash assistance in 2024.

15,087 refugees

provided with protection counselling services and legal support since January 2024.

5,592 refugees

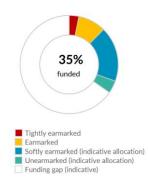
supported with livelihood and employment services since January 2024.

Thanks to the Temporary Protection mechanism for Ukrainians in Romania for mechanism, my son was able to apply for a part-time job with minimal paperwork. From my perspective, Romania has given us a valuable tool to easily integrate and continue to enjoy life here despite the tragical reality in Ukraine.

Olga, a refugee woman from Ukraine hosted in Romania.

Funding Situation As of 10 July 2024

\$54.3 million UNHCR's financial requirements 2024



Highlight

From 30 July to 31 July, a delegation from the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Moldova. consistina of Senior Officials from the Inspectorate General for Migration, Border Police. Inspectorate General for Emergency Situation, and Inspectorate for Operational Management visited Bucharest accompanied by a UNHCR Moldova team and met with the Government of Romania



30 July, a working meeting at the headquarters of the Ministry of Internal Affairs on preparedness capacity and contingency planning.

(Department for Emergency Situations, General Directorate for Civil Protection, and Service for Coordination and Implementation of Resilience Requirements). On 30 July, DSU held a workshop on preparedness capacity and contingency planning with the Moldovan delegation and officials from UNHCR Moldova and UNHCR Romania. The Moldovan delegation also participated in field visits, including to DSU's National Centre of Intervention Management and Coordination in Ciolpani, and UNHCR's integrated service hub at RomExpo, Bucharest.

Response

UNHCR, in collaboration with NGO partners and refugee-led organizations across Romania, conducts participatory assessment exercises for refugees from Ukraine. The assessments target adult women and men, youth, children, older persons and persons with disabilities, as well as some members of the Roma community. It will contribute to generating and documenting updated insight into the needs, priorities and concerns of refugees in Romania. These findings will help UNHCR plan its interventions and programs in 2025. The current assessment plan envisions conducting 49 Focus Group Discussions across Romania. On 31 July, UNHCR conducted participatory assessments in Suceava, with the facilitation of the operational partner City Makers in Baia Mare. Seven people participated in the Youth Group discussion, while 14 refugees from Ukraine attended the second group on the LEI component.

On 31 July, UNHCR, in collaboration with the National Agency for the Protection of Children and Adoption and UNICEF, conducted the Child Protection Sub-Working Group meeting, attended by 17 participants. During the meeting, UNHCR presented the changes regarding unaccompanied and separated children included in the new Emergency Ordinance, followed by a presentation on a mapping exercise on the child protection system in Romania and the involvement of different bodies and institutions in promoting children's rights. In addition, a presentation on the child protection-related findings of the programme criticality survey was conducted by the Inter-Agency coordination platform to provide insights on the funding perspectives of child protection actors and support upcoming planning exercises, followed by a thematic discussion on case management and exchange of good practices and lessons learned.

UNHCR is grateful to the donors for unearmarked and softly earmarked contributions to the Ukraine situation. UNHCR in Romania is also grateful to donors contributing to its 2023 and 2024 programmes. For more details: Romania Funding Update - 2024 | Global Focus (unhcr.org)