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Children painting in Alunelul park in Chisinau on Ukrainian Independence Day, celebrating peace and friendship.

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Figures at a glance

Population figures

90,525 Ukrainian refugees remaining in Moldova



590,975 arrivals from Ukraine since 24 February

Key response figures

78,864 people were provided with cash assistance
USD 30.4 M disbursed

54,955 refugees supported with legal assistance by the Law Centre of Advocates

3,055 refugees hosted in **73** refugee accommodation centres supported by UNHCR


2,646 people have been provided with psychosocial support and psychological first aid by INTERSOS





Recent highlights


- On 24 August, the "Moldova for Peace" initiative in partnership with Community Center 151 with the support of UNHCR and its implementing partner A.O. "Laolalta" celebrated Ukraine's Independence Day. Children and adults, refugees and host communities gathered at Alunelul Park in Chisinau to celebrate friendship and participate in cultural activities. UNHCR together with its implementing partners Charity Centre for Refugees and Law Centre of Advocates provided the audience with information on available services for refugees via the protection desk established at the location.
- On 24 August, UNHCR signed a new partnership agreement with the Office of the Ombudsman for the Republic of Moldova. The agreement aims to strengthen collaboration in supporting human rights for refugees and others under UNHCR's mandate in the country. It builds upon the Ombudsman's existing engagement with issues of refugee protection, including rights monitoring as well as training for the relevant authorities.
- On 20 August, the National Congress of Ukrainians in Moldova hosted a "Ukrainian Day in Moldova" celebration with the support of UNHCR, the Embassy of Ukraine in the Republic of Moldova, and the Agency for Interethnic Relations. The event featured music, food, dancing and national costumes, as well as panel discussions on the deepening cooperation between Ukrainian/Moldovan business sectors and the next steps of the refugee response – including references to temporary protection and the importance of socio-economic inclusion.

Additional response figures


 **32,183** people counselled through the Green Line managed by UNHCR

 **9,577** SIM cards distributed to refugees by ACTED

 **27,840** people received assistance through Blue Dots supported by UNHCR, UNICEF and partners

 **12,343** people were transported from the border crossing points to Romania in partnership with IOM

16,029 people transported from the border crossing points further to Moldova together with ACTED

 **1,836** refugees and TCNs voluntarily transferred to EU+ countries under the EU Solidarity Platform

Direct support to the Government

Thanks to the technical support of UNHCR, the Moldovan government's Joint Crisis Management Centre developed an online financial reporting tool to reflect detailed data on donations collected by the Ministry of Finance in support of the refugee response. The [tool](#) was publicly presented during the reporting period.



Ukrainian Day in Moldova: UNHCR presenting the next steps in the refugee response during the discussion panel on "Crisis response strategies in Moldova".

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This festival is a beautiful celebration of the connections between the Ukrainian and Moldavian communities – and of their collective potential when empowered to progress together. UNHCR, along with our UN partners and the broader international community, is proud to stand in solidarity with the Republic of Moldova in receiving refugees from Ukraine with such humanity. We look forward to continuing our support to both communities in the times ahead.

Bertrand Blanc

Deputy Representative for UNHCR Moldova

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