

Ukraine

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Oksana, Yurii and Svitlana in front of their destroyed home in Nalyvaikivka, in Kyivska Oblast. [UNHCR is helping local families](#) with temporary housing and construction materials as they look to rebuild. © UNHCR/Andrew McConnell

KEY FIGURES

17.7 million

People in urgent need of protection and humanitarian assistance*

6.9 million

Internally displaced persons in Ukraine**

11.5 million

People targeted for humanitarian assistance in the [Ukraine Flash Appeal](#).

4.3 million

People targeted to be reached with UNHCR assistance.

1.76 million

People reached with UNHCR assistance to date.

Delivered with partners from 24 February to 31 August:

 **505,385**

People received targeted protection assistance and information at border points, transit and reception centres and through hotlines.

 **723,619**

People received essential items, clothes, shelter materials and food assistance.

 **535,579**

People were assisted with disbursement of multi-purpose cash.

 **104,810**

Sleeping places were created or improved with items such as beds and mattresses in a total of

378 reception/collective centres.

 **1,001**

Sleeping spaces have been improved or created through construction works at collective centres.

 **241**

Humanitarian convoys, of which 234 UNHCR and 11 inter-agency, with assistance in hard-hit areas.

OPERATIONAL CONTEXT

The war entered its sixth month in August 2022. Deadly shelling, missile attacks, and air strikes continued to devastate civilian lives. [OHCHR has now verified](#) 13,718 civilian casualties, including 5,663 deaths, noting that the actual figures are likely considerably higher*. The majority of hostilities continue to take place in the east and south of the country and [the authorities ordered mandatory civilian evacuations](#) from particularly affected areas. Relatedly, the number of people [estimated by IOM](#) to be internally displaced in Ukraine has once again grown, now reaching 6,975,000 IDPs, equivalent to 16 percent of the general population.

Commensurate with the continuing armed conflict, the coming harsh winter, and the growing needs, the [third iteration of the Ukraine Flash Appeal was published on 8 August](#). The appeal covers the period from March to December 2022 and seeks \$4.3 billion to target 11.5 million people in need with urgent and life-saving assistance.

AUGUST HIGHLIGHTS

- Around 1.76 million people have been reached with protection services, assistance through cash or essential items, and shelter support. UNHCR continues to work to support and complement the authorities' response and contribute to sustainability.
- UNHCR established an operational presence in Odesa to be able to better respond to the growing humanitarian needs in the south. Odesa hosts many IDPs and serves as an important hub to access hard-hit areas in the south.
- During the month of August, UNHCR contributed to UN humanitarian convoys, [including delivering over 6,000 NFIs in support of local communities in Mykolaivska oblast](#) at the request of the oblast authorities.
- UNHCR's Deputy High Commissioner [visited Ukraine from 15 to 19 August](#) to meet with Government, partners, and people impacted by the war in Lvivska, Vinnytska, and Kyivska oblasts. Discussions were held on the ongoing preparations for the upcoming winter. Watch the interview with Kyiv Post [here](#).

*Ukraine: Civilian casualties as of 24:00 28 August 2022; OHCHR

Source: *Flash Appeal Ukraine (March - December 2022)
**International Organization for Migration.



PROTECTION

- A total of **505,385** people received protection assistance, advice and referrals at border crossing points, transit and reception centres, multi-service protection centres and through hotlines and mobile teams to date. This includes protection counselling and services, such as psychosocial support and legal aid.
- In Zaporizhzhia where around 1,500 people arrive every day from Donetsk, Kherson, Luhanska, Mykolaivska and Zaporizka oblasts, our local partner ProLisika is on the ground providing counselling, immediate assistance and accommodation advice. UNHCR is expanding partner protection staffing in Dnipropetrovska, Kharkivska and Sumska in order to better support increased needs of evacuees.
- UNHCR signed a Partnership Agreement with **Insight**, a local women-led organization. The agreement seeks to promote localization, advocate for gender equality, and enhance GBV activities through awareness raising campaigns, developing Information Education and Communication messaging, capacity building, and psychosocial support.
- UNHCR Ukraine has rolled out a new action plan on protection from sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA), which includes the adoption of standard operating procedures, joint risk assessments, awareness campaigns as well as capacity building sessions targeting both UNHCR and partners' staff across the country. In August, PSEA trainings targeted a total of **182 aid workers** working in Lvivska, Odeska, Vinnytska and Zhytomyrska oblasts.
- In coordination with Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) partners, UNHCR trained partners for the upcoming safety audits in collective centres in ten regions (Chernivetska, Dnipropetrovska, Ivano-Frankivska, Kirovohradska, Lvivska, Mykolaivska, Odeska, Poltavska, Rivnenska, and Zakarpatska oblasts). The audits will inform on safety and security in collective centres, including access to services among the affected population, particularly women and girls, older people, and people with disabilities, as part of the risk mitigation measures that will inform programming.
- In August, UNHCR initiated two surveys among the IDP population. Results are expected to be available in September.
 - i.) The **pilot country-wide IDP intentions survey** collects primary data on the profiles, intentions, needs and perspectives of IDPs inside Ukraine to ensure the centrality of their voices in discussions about their future, and inform the development and prioritisation of programmes. The pilot survey will form the foundation of quarterly surveys that will be conducted jointly by UNHCR and the World Bank in collaboration with the Ministry of Social Policy.
 - ii.) The **economic profiling survey of IDPs** in Lvivska, Vinnytska, and Zakarpatska oblasts is part of a joint UNHCR and ILO project aimed at creating better workplaces and/or access to employment in three defined economic sectors (e-commerce, construction, and childcare).



Protection at Border Crossing Points

UNHCR continues to improve conditions at border crossings, including information support. In coordination with the State Border Guard Service, UNHCR and NGO NEEKA installed **eight information stands** at Ukrainian border crossing points in Zakarpatska oblast between July and August.

The stands provide information, hot lines, and useful links for forcibly displaced people.

Protection of Refugees, Asylum-seekers, & Stateless

- UNHCR and partners continue working to identify and support refugees and asylum-seekers who remain in Ukraine. In August, 80 persons, mainly asylum-seekers, received services such as psychosocial support, legal counselling, and social accompaniment to facilitate their access to services. Further, 48 vulnerable refugees and asylum-seekers received cash assistance to help meet basic needs.
- As new asylum-seekers remain unable to register their claims with the State Migration Service in most regions, UNHCR has been jointly advocating with partners to address the issue of access and other gaps in the state asylum procedure. Partner attorneys are following up on individual cases to ensure access to the asylum procedure. Seven new applicants were registered in Ukraine by partners in August. In addition, four recognized refugees and persons granted complementary protection who had been registered with UNHCR in Ukraine but fled out of the country returned from neighbouring countries.

DELIVERY OF NON-FOOD ITEMS

- A total of 723,619 people have received non-food items (NFIs) such as blankets, mattresses, pillows, winter clothes, kitchen sets, and hygiene kits as well as food assistance since the start of the emergency.
- Following meetings with the authorities of Khmelnytska, Kirovohradska, Mykolaivska, Poltavaska and Zhytomyrka oblasts, UNHCR provided 31,500 mattresses, 44,000 blankets, 10,500 pillows, and 14,500 kitchen sets for newly displaced people.
- UNHCR is working with the local authorities to increase accommodation places for IDPs and improve the quality of reception and collective centres through delivery of essential items. UNHCR has created or improved 104,810 sleeping places in 378 centres with beds, mattresses, blankets and other essential items.
- UNHCR partner Stabilization Support Services (SSS) provided technical equipment such as laptops, multi-functional devices, and Wi-Fi routers to Department of Social Protections in communities of Cehrnihivska, Kirovohradska, and Lviska oblasts with more distributions planned in September. The assistance is part of the protection response provided by UNHCR and SSS in collaboration with the local social protection authorities to enhance their capacity to conduct registration and improve the quality of services available to support IDPs and others affected by the war.
- UNHCR has plans underway to reach 567,000 people with winterized items, comprising three high thermal blankets, three quilts, three sleeping bags, one thermos flask and one heater per household in addition to the NFIs that have been distributed as part of the regular programme

Delivering life-saving supplies through humanitarian convoys

In August, UNHCR formed a core part of an inter-agency humanitarian aid mission to deliver urgently needed supplies to people in Mykolaiv as part of efforts to scale up support for people in need across the oblast.

As part of the mission, UNHCR delivered over 6,000 NFIs, including mattresses, pillows, blankets, kitchen sets, and solar lamps.



SHELTER & HOUSING

- UNHCR's shelter and housing programme supports people impacted by the war through three activities: 1) providing emergency shelter for those with immediate needs, 2) helping to repair damaged houses, including works to prepare for winter and 3) expanding access to accommodation for those who cannot live at home.
- As part of ongoing emergency shelter support efforts and respond to needs shared by the local authorities, UNHCR supported 847 households with emergency shelter kits (ESKs) in places such as Odeska and Mykolaivska oblasts and distributed 500 ESKs in Dnipropetrovska and Kharkivska oblasts for four civil facilities.
- The beneficiary selection for light and medium repairs of damaged houses continues with over 1,400 households assessed in Chernihivska and Kyivska oblasts. Construction works commenced for 103 households in Kyivska oblast in August so that families will have a warm home during the winter months.
- Collective centre refurbishment is ongoing to improve conditions and expand capacities for those who cannot return home. To-date, 1,001 sleeping spaces have been created or improved through construction or refurbishment work at collective centres. The refurbishment of a collective centre in Lvivska oblast was finalized in August, creating space for an additional 350 beds.
- UNHCR continues to carry out technical and needs assessments of collective centres in coordination with local authorities. In August, nine collective centres were selected for construction interventions in Dnipropetrovska, Kyivska, Poltavska, Rivnenska, and Ternopil'ska oblasts. Tenders were also launched to refurbish five collective centres in Vinnytska oblast, four in Zakarpatska oblast, three in Lvivska oblast, and three in Chernivetska oblast.

STORY: UNHCR helps displaced people recover after the missile attack in Dnipro

Three dormitories located in the former machine-building plant "Yuzhmash" in Dnipro were devastated during a missile attack on 15 July. The attack left more than 100 rooms damaged – roofs, walls, windows, and doors were destroyed, leaving 300 residents, including 168 IDPs, without a place to stay.

While local authorities transported the residents to a safe place to stay, UNHCR with partners acted immediately to provide assistance, first by providing essential items and psychosocial support to the affected people traumatized by the missile attack and emergency shelter materials such as tarpaulins to protect the space.

Durable repairs, including roof repair and replacement of windows, were initiated shortly after, which are now in their final stage and will allow residents to return ahead of winter.

Read the full story [here](#).



CASH ASSISTANCE

- In coordination with the Ministry of Social Policy (MoSP) and humanitarian cash actors, UNHCR is implementing a multi-purpose cash assistance programme to reach **vulnerable individuals with 2,220 Hryvnia per person per month**. In order to respond to increased costs during winter, enrolment criteria for the cash assistance programme will be **extended to all eligible conflict-affected persons from September to meet their basic needs during the winter**.
- The programme complements the national social protection system and helps forcibly displaced people in Ukraine meet their immediate basic needs. **UNHCR has disbursed cash assistance to 535,579 individuals by end of August**.
- **Enrolments are ongoing in seven oblasts through enrolment centres** in Cherkaska, Dnipropetrovska, Kirovohradska, Lvivska, Poltavska, Zaporizka, and Zhytomyrska oblasts and **seven mobile teams** in Kyivska and Kharkivska oblasts. Preparation for new enrolment locations in Odeska, Sumska and Chernihiv oblasts are ongoing.
- **The enrolment centres have been transformed into multi-service protection centres** (“one-stop shops”) where IDPs can access a range of services, including legal aid, psychosocial support, and information and counselling on accommodation. All IDPs accessing the centres are interviewed to assess eligibility and are offered **access to protection services and referrals on the spot**.
- In addition, **UNHCR is in the process of supporting families who are hosting IDPs under the Ministry of Regional Development’s Prykhystok program**. Under the agreement, UNHCR will provide one-off multi-purpose cash support to 10,000 families hosting 40,000 IDPs to help them meet additional expenses associated with hosting IDPs.
- UNHCR actively participates in the **Cash Working Group (CWG)** and is leading the CWG Task Team on De-duplication and Registration.

CAMP COORDINATION & CAMP MANAGEMENT (CCCM)

- **CCCM teams conduct regular visits to collective sites to assess and monitor the needs** and coordinate with humanitarian partners and local authorities to provide services. UNHCR, through its partners supported **IDPs hosted in around 300 collective centres in 11 oblasts** of the country during the month of August.
- UNHCR partner **R2P established initiative groups in 15 collective centres**. These initiative groups include representatives of IDPs, management of the centres, and organizations that provide services within the centres and aim to strengthen the interaction between IDPs and service providers and ensure their participation in the decision-making process.
- In Ivano-Frankivska oblast, UNHCR partner Rokada provided **training on fire safety for 100 residents and management staff of collective centres**, in collaboration with the Civil Defense.
- In Dnipro, UNHCR’s partner R2P coordinated with local authorities and the management of collective centres to issue **43 institutional guidance documents that outlined rules and regulation on accommodation, residence contracts, and residence warrants**.
- In the western oblasts of Ukraine, **20 group meetings for 224 IDPs** were organized by UNHCR partner Rokada to support IDPs with topics such as employment opportunities, preparation for back-to-learning and school enrolment, and adaptation to new accommodation.



DURABLE SOLUTIONS

- UNHCR continues to promote, and integrate into its own response, an approach that seeks to not only address immediate needs but also [support recovery and durable solutions](#) and is engaging with key development partners to ensure coherence, complementarity, and collaboration of the humanitarian response in the context of Ukraine.
- The operation is currently working on [several key assessments that will help to support longer term planning and decision making](#), including a socio-economic assessment as part of a project with ILO; engagement with the World Bank on joint IDP surveys which will help inform the understanding of which factors will enable IDPs to return to their former homes and rebuild their lives in a sustainable way; and support to the broader Human Impact Assessment, coordinated by UNDP that will support Government decision making on post recovery needs.
- As part of the UNHCR Deputy High Commissioner's recent mission, meetings were held in Kyiv with representatives of both the international community and UN sister Agencies. The discussions highlighted the need for strong engagement and to address both immediate humanitarian needs as well as to support the Ukrainian Government to continue progress towards the 2030 Development goals.
- In August, UNHCR provided feedback on the [UNCT transitional framework](#) and will continue to engage to support development of a robust 16-month plan.



WORKING WITH PARTNERS

Since the emergency, UNHCR has expanded partnerships to enlarge coverage and capacity and now works with **14 NGO partners, including 11 local NGOs**, inside Ukraine to deliver assistance and support the localization of the response.



Close coordination with authorities continues ahead of the critical winter response

On 19 August, UNHCR Deputy High Commissioner and the Representative in Ukraine met with the Vice Prime Minister of Ukraine to discuss the upcoming winter response. UNHCR, with partners, reiterated its commitment and readiness to continue supporting the Government and local partners to repair and insulate damaged homes and deliver lifesaving aid to vulnerable families, including new evacuees, before the winter.

COORDINATION

Protection Cluster

- The Protection Cluster (PC) led by UNHCR has [121 partner organizations](#). Since the onset of the full-scale invasion, **protection partners have reached a total of 4.9 million individuals with services and assistance** in areas of General Protection, Child Protection, Gender-Based Violence and Mine Action.
- In August, the PC held two Training Sessions on the use of its [newly launched Service Mapping Platform](#). Training sessions were attended by 57 participants, including representatives of the Ukrainian authorities, UN Agencies, international and local NGOs, and the National University of “Kyiv-Mohyla Academy”.
- **Key protection concerns and needs raised by the Protection Cluster partners** relate to the anticipated rise in IDPs following the announced evacuations; winterization of IDP collective centres; relocation of IDPs living in schools ahead of the of the school year; medical support for people with disabilities; child-friendly spaces, both in current collective centres and those planned as long-term accommodation; the lack of employment opportunities and access to livelihoods.

Shelter and NFIs Cluster

- [The Shelter and NFI Cluster \(SNFI\)](#) has 91 active partners - 59 implementing partners and 32 reporting partners. Additionally, there are 19 partners planning to implement winterization activities.
- As of 24 August, a total of **1.04 million individuals** have been reached with assistance by Shelter and NFI partners, of whom 98,629 individuals have been reached with acute emergency shelter support; 902,844 with NFI support, and 1,353 individuals reached with winterization activities (1 to 24 August).
- SNFI cluster is finalizing **key recommendation documents on Winterization, Light and Medium Repairs, and Cash for Rent**.

This will support partners engaged in winterization activities, as it provides shelter response options, definitions, classifications, and scope of work. The recommendations on *Cash for Rent* aims to assist people who are living in collective centers that need to be decommissioned, especially before the school year, prevent eviction of IDPs who lack financial resources and help alleviate individual protection concerns through case-management.

- **Six active technical working groups (TWiGs)** have been working on collective centres, light and medium repairs, assessments, winterization, cash for rent and housing, land, and property rights.

CCCM Cluster

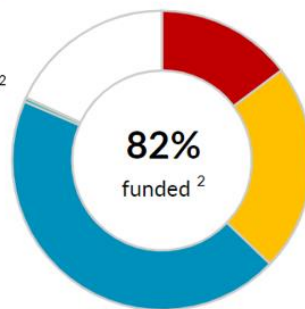
- [The UNHCR-led CCCM Cluster](#) is working to ensure a **coordinated multi-sectoral response for the protection of IDPs residing in communal settings**, improving their quality of life and dignity during displacement, while advocating for **durable solutions**.
- During the month of August, the **CCCM Cluster conducted area-based assessments** to identify needs and resources to support humanitarian response programming. A total of **1,304 face-to-face interviews were conducted with IDPs** and **20 key informant interviews** were conducted with representatives of key services.
- The CCCM Cluster conducted several capacity building initiatives in August, including supporting **trainings on core CCCM activities** for 30 site managers and participants from local authorities in Vinnytska oblast. Similar sessions were delivered to CCCM partners in Zakarpatska oblast.
- To provide the CCCM cluster and other partners with regularly updated and reliable data on the numbers, location, and needs of IDPs living in collective sites, the CCCM cluster, with the support of REACH, launched the **Collective Site Monitoring (CSM) survey**. The second round of CSM was conducted from 11 to 22 July and [the results are now available through a dashboard](#).

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

UNHCR is grateful for the critical support provided by donors who have contributed to this emergency as well as those who have contributed to UNHCR programmes with softly earmarked and unearmarked funds. Given the immense needs and the expanded scale and scope of the humanitarian response, UNHCR is continuing to seek support to deliver assistance inside Ukraine in the [Supplementary Appeal](#).



\$729.3 million
 UNHCR's financial requirements 2022



FUNDING UPDATE | 2022

UKRAINE
 as of 30 August 2022

- Tightly earmarked
- Earmarked
- Softly earmarked (indicative allocation)
- Unearmarked (indicative allocation)
- Funding gap (indicative)



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