

CASH ASSISTANCE FOR REFUGEES IN MOLDOVA

22 March 2023



Cash assistance is the quickest and most dignified way to provide displaced families with emergency support. It offers choice in meeting needs and boosts local economies.

“I had nothing after I had to leave Ukraine. With the money I receive every month, I go to the local market and buy what I need.”

Kristina, refugee from Ukraine living in Moldova

- 114,967** persons provided with cash assistance
- 89%** women and children enrolled
- 20%** Elderly enrolled
- USD 120/month** per person equivalent of MDL 2,200
- Over USD 81.5M** disbursed to beneficiaries
- Eleven** cash installments processed

7 Cash Enrolment Centres:

- In each centre there is a protection desk where Law Centre of Advocates provides support and information to refugees.
- Five mobile teams to reach more beneficiaries.

Winter Cash Assistance

Starting from November 2022 to March 2023, cash assistance is monthly complemented by a winter support top-up to help meet winter-related needs.

MDL 700 per household are loaded to refugees' existing bank cards in addition to the regular payment.

So far, UNHCR provided winter cash assistance to **75,081** individuals.

Cash Assistance Helpline:
0 800 10823

CASH ASSISTANCE IN THREE STEPS:



ELIGIBILITY ASSESMENT:

To be eligible, individuals must meet the following requirements: 1.They must be from Ukraine in the sense of either having Ukrainian citizenship or residency in the country; 2. They must have arrived in Moldova on/after 24 February 2022 and still reside here; 3.They must have at least one of the following vulnerability criteria: (i) Family with one or more dependents; (ii) Family headed by a single parent Family headed by a child (below 18); (iii) Family with an unaccompanied or separated child; (iv) Family headed by an older person (above 60); (v) Family with one or more persons with specific needs, including: a person with a disability, pregnant woman, person with a serious medical condition, woman at risk, person with legal and physical protection needs, or LGBTI person.