

Ukraine Conflict | ACT Appeal UKR211

Name of ACT member: Hungarian Interchurch Aid

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Highlights

Please list 5 key points that you want to communicate to ACT Alliance network

- **In the past 3 months**, HIA has been able to continuously expand its assistance to new geographical regions and its humanitarian response **has reached 98,944 people so far**, providing emergency access to **basic humanitarian aid, protection activities and other services** both in Ukraine and in Hungary.
- Besides its current response, **HIA is opening up its operation in Kiev region** to manage project activities in central and northern regions of the country. Based on the governmental proposal HIA has started to map up the capital and its surrounding area to support repatriation process relying on the Hungarian government funds.
- Soon to open **HIA Integration Centre in Budapest** will provide assistance to refugees from Ukraine through various services (in-kind support, social work, accommodation referral, labour market programmes, vocational trainings and community space) to support their integration into the society; special attention will be paid to the needs of unaccompanied minors, people with disabilities and the elderly.
- HIA purchased and transported **676 metric tons** food, essential non-food items and medical equipment so far to **support the victims of the conflict** in Ukraine

Situation Overview

Please give a short overview of the overall situation (security, number of IPDs/Refugees, economic) in the countries where you are responding

The unprecedented rate of arrivals from Ukraine to neighboring countries has resulted in the fastest-growing refugee crisis since the Second World War. As of 23 May 2022, 6,595,675 refugees have crossed from Ukraine into neighboring countries, the major numbers are: Poland (3,524,205), Hungary (649,352) Slovakia (444,368), Republic of Moldova (472,377) Romania (966,490), the Russian Federation (932,220) and Belarus (27,308), the majority women and children, as well as older people and those with disabilities.

A further 8 million people have been displaced internally within Ukraine. 13 million people are estimated to be stranded in affected areas or unable to leave due to heightened security risks. Some 2.2 million individuals have been registered for temporary protection or similar national schemes across 31 countries in Europe, including 1 million in countries beyond those neighbouring Ukraine. Movements back into Ukraine are being observed. The number of returnees as of 23 May 2022 is 2,086,500.

Eastern Ukraine remains the centre of hostilities, while airstrikes and missile attacks continue to be reported in multiple oblasts in Ukraine, endangering people's lives and increasing humanitarian needs.

Appeal Financing

Please fill out information on Funds Received. ACT Secretariat will fill out the information on Pledges.

Funds Received

Outside the Appeal

- EUR 5,1 million from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Hungary Helps Agency and private donors, companies through HIA's fundraising campaign in Hungary
- In kind donation in the value of EUR 1,12 million (food, NFI and other aid items)
- Christian Aid: 2,65 million GBP

Inside the Appeal

- Kerk In Actie: 1,5 million EUR
- Act Church of Sweden: 5,552 million SEK

Total ACT Response

Please provide topline information of your current response such as number of people already reached indicating the areas, planned interventions, type of assistance. For example: HIA provided hygiene kits in Lviv, Beregovo, and Budapest for 500 persons

Please provide details on all activities (ACT Appeal and non-appeal funded) for ACT members information about our Total ACT response.

The key actions carried out by HIA and its local partners on Week 20:

Lviv Office provided Food/WASH assistance in Ivano-Frankivsk and Lviv oblasts and reached 1171 IDPs with humanitarian aid. For MPCA, data collectors were trained and are in Sambir rayon for monitoring visit, IDPs registration is in progress, negotiation are continuous with local authorities, this component is ready to launch. For the FSG (Flexible Small Grant) component, while the disbursement of grants to the 10 selected CSOs is in final stage supporting their humanitarian response to the crisis, there are other 40 candidate CSOs to contact with to start their application for micro grants.

HIA in Zakarpattia reached further 19 shelters with food, hygiene and baby items, supporting 1200 IDPs there. Alongside in-kind support distributions, *Beregovo Office* is scaling up with shelter assistance to hard-to-reach areas.

In Zaporizhzhia, HIA local implementing partners, *Zlatograd and Santis Foundations*, managed to distribute food parcels to almost 1000 IDPs, hygiene kits to 250 IDPs and baby foods to 62 persons.

HIA through its local partner, *Etalon*, in Ivano-Frankivsk continued its awareness raising interventions through in-person leaflet distribution and psychological group consultations with adult and children. During Week 20, 44 children took part in children group sessions and 16 adult in PSS group sessions with possibility of individual consultation. Further 22 participants followed this week's online webinar session on psychological themes.

The League pursued to expand its support for conflict affected persons in Cherkasy with the help of its mobile groups. 78 household received psychosocial support. Furthermore, 82 household received legal counselling including assistance on social welfare benefits, obtaining IDP certificate, information on unemployed status, payments for IDPs.

In Hungary, HIA accommodated 632 refugees in community shelters and continued the provision of humanitarian aid and information services in BOK arena to 454 refugees, in Budapest. In cooperation

with the Piarist High School, HIA is going to support the education of a class of refugee children. Working with the Lutheran Church on provision of microgrants to 12 community shelters, HIA gives helping hand to these shelters in various ways to strengthen their response capacity in Hungary. Through the grants HIA supports accommodation, catering of IDPS, kindergarten education of Roma children from Zakarpattia, catering, accommodation of third country nationals, restoration capacity of the shelters, provision of transportation.

Thus far these efforts have reached **98,944** people since the beginning of the crisis, providing emergency access to basic food and non-food items, information, shelter, WASH and health support, protection and links to transportation services.

ACT Appeal Please provide a programme update under the relevant sectors below

Implementing partner	Country	In country site	Sector	Achieved targets In reporting period (#beneficiaries direct/ indirect)	Cumulative Achieved targets (#beneficiaries direct/ indirect)	Within appeal /outside of appeal
HIA	Ukraine		FSL	3673	64061	50%-50%
HIA	Ukraine		WSH	2970	55715	50%-50%
HIA	Ukraine		H&N	100	700	outside
HIA	Ukraine		Shelter+NFI	14/0	163/2879	outside
HIA	Ukraine		C/FP	47	293	outside
HIA	Ukraine		Protection	482	993	50%-50%
HIA	Hungary		FSL	510	9677	50%-50%
HIA	Hungary		Shelter+NFI	632/32	6508/1412	outside
HIA	Hungary		WSH	88	5921	50%-50%
HIA	Hungary		C/FP	166	3963	outside
HIA	Hungary		Logistics	0	847	outside

*3026 people received both food and hygienic support in Ukraine

- FSL – Food Security & Livelihoods
- WSH – Water, Sanitation and Hygiene
- C/FP – Child/Family Protection
- H&N – Health & Nutrition

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