

Ukraine Conflict | ACT Appeal UKR221

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

- HIA's **new UHF project** aims to provide **principled and lifesaving multi-sectoral assistance** to people affected by the war in Ukraine with specific response to the needs of the newly liberated areas. 300 HH will be assisted with **shelter acute emergency support** in Kharkiv oblast, and 500 HH will be equipped with **emergency NFI and winterization** items also in the recently liberated areas. Due to the flexibility and dignity afforded by cash assistance, the third programme leg is **MPCA**, this activity focusing on Lviv oblast, where the number of IDPs are constantly growing, and also on Kharkiv oblast; with total 1,000 beneficiaries.
- With the financial support of the Hungarian government, **a new kindergarten in the city centre of Beregovo** has opened. After complete interior and exterior renovation, the institution is going to accommodate 45 children.
- **HIA has started its nationwide free legal counselling service for refugees** from mid-November at the Refugee Support Center in Budapest. Professionals visit the Center weekly, and via online consulting platform even more beneficiaries can have access to this service.
- **HIA has reached 191,421 people so far**, providing access to basic humanitarian aid, protection activities and other life-saving services both in Ukraine and in Hungary.
- **HIA purchased and transported 178 metric tons of food** to support the victims of the conflict in **Ivano-Frankivsk, Zaporizhzhia, Kharkiv, Lviv, Zakarpattia, Kyiv, Poltava, Sumy and Odesa** oblasts during this reporting period. With **4 metric tons of medical equipment** delivered, in total 182 metric tons of humanitarian aid were transported to Ukraine during the past 2 weeks.

Situation Overview

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

In one of the largest attacks on energy infrastructure so far, a wave of some 100 missiles hit critical infrastructure in Kyiv, Kharkiv, Lviv, and at least 16 of the country's 24 regions on 15 November, leaving millions of people without electricity, water or heating. Ukrainian power generation appears to have been significantly degraded due to the most recent attacks. These waves of missile attacks on urban centers are leaving an unconfirmed number of civilians injured and causing large-scale disruption to electricity and water supplies.

The Russian Forces withdrawal from the Kherson City from 09-11 November opens the possibility of humanitarian access, though the city remains inaccessible. It is not advisable to return to the city due to frequent missile strikes. Kherson is without electricity, heat and water, moreover without a normal mobile and residential connection. Plenty of buildings and houses were mined by the Russians.

Western Ukraine remains a hub for internally displaced persons (IDPs) across the country. The withdrawal of the Russian Forces from the west bank of the Dnipro River has reduced the frequency of attacks in southern Dnipropetrovsk oblast. Settlements along the front line in Zaporizhzhia oblast bear the brunt of the Russian Forces attacks.

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
- World Vision International: 837 K USD
- Dan Church Aid: 336 K USD
- **Ukraine Humanitarian Fund: 857,659 USD**

Inside the Appeal

- Act Church of Sweden: 5,552 million SEK
- Dan Church Aid: 988 K EUR
- Kerk In Actie: 1,5 million EUR
- Finn Church Aid: 1 million USD
- Act for Peace: 602 K USD

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 **Weeks 45-46**:

Kyiv Office has completed the first phase of the construction of **modular kindergarten** in the village of **Zagaltsi**. The kindergarten is designed for 90 children. The groundwork has been completed, all modules are installed, and construction of sewage-, water system, power grid has also been ended. Currently **equipping the facility is in progress**. Also, in this settlement, the groundworks for **school reconstruction and health centre** have started. HIA is assessing the feasibility of **winterization work** of private homes to give essential help to those who have been under occupation. Negotiations are under way in Iprin with authorities. The Office continues consultations with shelters to provide them with furniture, generators or air conditioners. Regarding **psychosocial assistance**, the team has helped 79 people with PSS sessions held in Borodinka, Bucha and Iprin settlements. In order to strengthen the public health system in Ukraine, this week **medical supply** donation will be delivered to 4 healthcare facilities in the Kyiv region as memorandum was concluded with the Kyiv regional administration.

Lviv Office is actively working in Kyiv, Lviv and Ivano-Frankivsk oblasts on **MPCA** and **C4P** (Assess & Assist). In the reporting period 242 people were registered for C4P. 129 received cash assistance via MPCA programme, and further 4,000 were registered. Now **flexible small grants** are focusing on 150 route de Ferney, P.O. Box 2100, 1211 Geneva 2, Switz. TEL.: +4122 791 6434 – FAX: +4122 791 6506 – www.actalliance.org

winterization, 6 more prepared for contracting especially with this initiative. **Psychosocial assistance** programming leg is just about to start this week with collaboration of local partners.

Beregovo Office carried on **shelter reconstruction in Vynohradiv**, which will accommodate approximately 150 people on two floors. During the above-mentioned reporting period, the Office **delivered aid to 5 shelters**. In total, 1,508 people were assisted by 3.5 metric tons of aid in Tyachiv, Rakhiv regions including food, hygiene and baby items. **Negotiations on building bomb shelters** for education facilities following Ukrainian regulations are in progress with local authorities.

In Cherkasy and Poltava Oblasts, *the League*, HIA's local implementing partner, continued its protection activities by conducting **PSS sessions** for 126 people, and provision of **legal counselling** services for 130 beneficiaries. The services were performed in in-person, group and on-line platform. Also 80 beneficiaries received **food and hygiene packages** in the city of Cherkasy. These activities are continuous despite severe blackouts.

In Ivano-Frankivsk Oblast, **PSS sessions** were conducted for IDPs by HIA's partner, *Etalon*, reaching out 135 people (107 children and 28 adults) in four locations. **Shelter reconstruction** in Krasnoillia is under way, works have been intensified to be able to host the IDPs as soon as possible. Humanitarian aid was also provided on the request of the Kalush City Council to the newly established community shelter, in the village of Mostyshche, Kalush district. The shelter will host single mothers with young children, orphaned children and elderly women. 58 parcels with **bed linen, dishes, electric kettles, microwaves, frying pans** were handed over to improve the living conditions of the residents of the shelter.

In Dnipropetrovsk Oblast, *Zlatograd Foundation* distributed **food and hygiene sets** to IDPs in Sinelnikovo and Nikopol settlements reaching out 1010 people. Among them 69 were disabled, and with this humanitarian aid they assisted 26 lactating and 7 pregnant women, as well.

In Zaporizhzhia Oblast, HIA's local implementing partner, *Santis Foundation* assisted 2331 people with **food parcels** partially from FEBA grant, supported 150 families with **baby food** and distributed **hygiene packs** as well in Zaporizhzhia. Also continued its collaboration with volunteer and partner organizations to reach liberated areas with humanitarian aid.

In Hungary, in the past 2 weeks, HIA provided **1,568 nights** for the refugees in various places, where 770 nights were given with **hot meal**. Also assisted 281 refugees with **in-kind support**. In BOK Arena, Budapest, 703 refugees were supported with **various services** like provision of hygiene-, food parcels, medical room, baby corner, animal corner, rest area, toilet facilities. During the past 2 week HIA provided **protection activities** to 347 refugees in different locations. 119 people benefited from **information service in person**: from basic information to job seeking, one-to-one counselling, recreational and life skill activities both for adults and children. HIA carried on with **mental health support**, as well, social workers have been available in Budapest, Kaposvár and Miskolc to provide assistance. In the Piarista High School HIA continued to support 197 people through its **education project**. Finally, during the reporting period **several community programs** were organized, for e.g. a Judo event both for Hungarian and Ukrainian communities, where young people could spend a day together, training and playing, another one was a Budapest city tour, organized for refugees attending the Center.

Thus far these efforts have reached **191,421** 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 <u>direct/</u> indirect) | Cumulative Achieved targets (#beneficiaries <u>direct/</u> indirect) | Within appeal /outside of appeal |
|----------------------|---------|-----------------|-------------|---|--|----------------------------------|
| HIA | Ukraine | | FSL | 4421 | 92118 | 50%-50% |
| HIA | Ukraine | | WSH | 1642 | 66821 | 50%-50% |
| HIA | Ukraine | | H&N | 0 | 727 | outside |
| HIA | Ukraine | | Shelter+NFI | 0/29 | 306/3623 | outside |
| HIA | Ukraine | | Protection | 467 | 16514 | 50%-50% |
| HIA | Ukraine | | MPCA | 129 | 5288 | outside |
| HIA | Hungary | | FSL | 1509 | 22586 | 50%-50% |
| HIA | Hungary | | Shelter+NFI | 1568/136 | 23355/1995 | outside |
| HIA | Hungary | | WSH | 47 | 6435 | 50%-50% |
| HIA | Hungary | | Protection | 347 | 11340 | 50%-50% |
| HIA | Hungary | | Logistics | 0 | 950 | outside |
| HIA | Hungary | | Education | 169 | 711 | 100% |

*People received both food and hygienic support in Ukraine: 1134

FSL – Food Security & Livelihoods

WSH – Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

C/FP – Child/Family Protection – incl. into Protection

H&N – Health & Nutrition

Protection – incl. C4P – outside of the Appeal

SitRep completed by (name & job title):

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