

# UNFPA Regional Response to Ukraine Emergency

## Situation Report #16



Reporting period from 1 to 31 January 2023; released: 17 February, 2023



**12,600+**

Reached with GBV information, referral and services (December)



**8,200+**

People reached with mental health and psychosocial support



**1,300+**

Dignity kits distributed

### Highlights

- The **#TrainOfHope** launched between Kyiv and Chisinau is a lifeline, providing refugees, including many women with children, both a route to safety and a way back home.
- When the Government of Ukraine lost control of Kherson city, **social workers at a shelter for survivors of domestic violence continued to work** so that women and girls could receive essential assistance.
- A **newly opened survivor relief centre in Chernivtsi** provides comprehensive social and psychological support to people who have fled the war or temporarily occupied territories.



- Through its **20 static and 8 mobile safe spaces** in Moldova, UNFPA supported over 1,200 refugees and host community members, including women, youth and older persons.
- UNFPA is opening its **third Orange Safe Space** in Belarus, in the city of Grodno.



**17.7  
million**

People in need  
in Ukraine<sup>1</sup>



**5.4  
million**

Internally displaced  
people in Ukraine<sup>2</sup>



**8.07  
million**

Refugees in  
European countries<sup>3</sup>

## Situation Overview/Humanitarian Needs

- An estimated more than [8.07 million](#) Ukrainians have fled to other parts of Europe. An additional 5.4 million Ukrainians are [recorded](#) as internally displaced.
- Within Ukraine, an estimated 14.5 million people require health assistance and an estimated 3.6 million people are in need of GBV prevention and response services.
- There is a need for psychosocial support for the affected population, including those in areas where the Government of Ukraine regained control, who witnessed or experienced human rights violations and ongoing hostilities.
- Since February 2022, there have been [780 attacks](#) on health-care facilities resulting in 101 deaths.

## UNFPA Humanitarian Response in Ukraine\*

- UNFPA now operates **100 psychosocial mobile teams**, supports 24 specialized facilities for GBV survivors, 5 survivor relief centres, 16 career hubs and “Vilna” women-friendly spaces for vulnerable women, and 37 service delivery points. UNFPA also operates 19 sexual and reproductive health (SRH) mobile clinics and 1 mobile maternity unit.
- During the reporting period, close to **6,700 people** were reached with **mental health and psychological support** consultations, around **6,000 people** were provided with **GBV information, referrals and services**, close to **4,000 people** received **SRH information, referrals and services**, and almost **800 people** were trained to enhance **SRH services**.
- To meet the needs of internally displaced people (IDPs) from Donetsk Oblast, UNFPA supported the opening of an **Anti-Crisis Transit Hub** - “Zatyshok” - for IDPs in Dnipro. The hub provides legal, social and psychological services and helps IDPs find accommodation and employment.
- A newly opened **survivor relief centre in Chernivtsi** [provides comprehensive social and psychological support](#) to people who have fled the war or temporarily occupied territories.
- When the Government of Ukraine lost control of Kherson city, social workers at a shelter for survivors of domestic violence [continued to work](#) so that women and girls could receive essential assistance.
- Larisa Galadza-Kronin, Ambassador of Canada to Ukraine, visited Uzhhorod to see how the system for response to, and prevention of, GBV works and how mobile teams provide social and psychological assistance to survivors of violence.

<sup>1</sup> OCHA: <https://reports.unocha.org/en/country/ukraine/>

<sup>2</sup> *ibid*

<sup>3</sup> UNHCR: <https://data.unhcr.org/en/situations/ukraine>

- In January, the GBV Sub-Cluster organized regional meetings in Kharkiv, Odesa, Kirovograd and Ivano-Frankivsk Oblasts to **coordinate the humanitarian response to GBV**, with a focus on the main priorities of the GBV Sub-Cluster in 2023, especially the strengthening of the referral pathways in the region, the dissemination of information about available GBV services and the organisation of GBV safety audits.
- The Sexual, Reproductive, Maternal and Child Health Technical Working Group (SRMCH TWG) coordinated all actors to avoid service duplications, conduct joint needs assessments and identify existing gaps.
- The Clinical Management of Rape (CMR) Sub-Working Group has planned for additional CMR training for the service providers. In January, UNFPA, in cooperation with the "Woman Health & Family Planning" Charity Foundation, trained close to 800 primary health-care staff to establish a pool of certified trainers to facilitate the integration of CMR into the work of international and national partner organizations.

\* More information is available in the country snapshots below.

## UNFPA Humanitarian Response in Neighbouring Countries\*

- In **Moldova**, UNFPA continues to support **20 static Safe Spaces** across the country and **8 mobile Safe Spaces** to conduct outreach activities targeting Ukrainian refugees and host communities. UNFPA supports Safe Spaces dedicated to women, youth and older persons.
- During the reporting period, the various safe spaces reached 1,200 women, over 150 young people and more than 180 older persons, as well as over 800 people at the border and in railway stations.
- More than **1300 dignity kits** were distributed by UNFPA partners, including customized dignity kits for the winter season, as well as dignity kits for boys and older persons.
- The **#TrainOfHope** launched between Kyiv and Chisinau is a lifeline, providing refugees both a route to safety and a way back home. Read full story here: <http://bit.ly/3ZrxslW>
- UNFPA continues to co-lead the Interagency Gender-based violence (GBV) Sub-Working Group (SWG) with UNHCR, which brings together over 50 national and international organizations, women led organizations and government entities under the Protection Working Group.
- The GBV SWG also continues to promote the **GBV Pocket Guide** on how non-GBV actors can support survivors of GBV, focusing on the Romanian and Russian versions. The GBV SWG campaign **"Break the Silence. We Stand By You."** continues to raise awareness among refugee and host communities on multi-sectoral prevention and response services to GBV in Moldova. The campaign will run until March.
- In January, through a network of almost 70 volunteers, UNFPA in **Belarus** provided psychosocial counselling and/or medical care, employment, temporary shelter, food and hygienic goods, to almost 300 Ukrainian women, older people and people with disabilities at Orange Safe Spaces in Gomel and Brest. To date close to 1,200 women in Brest and over 1,300 women in Gomel region have benefitted from such support. About a third are older women. UNFPA is currently creating **a new Orange Safe Space** in the city of Grodno and is having discussions about opening another in the Vitebsk region.

### In other refugee-hosting countries:

- Renovation of an additional floor in the safe house in **Poland** is underway through Feminoteka, a local partner of the Center for Reproductive Rights (CRR). Two new rooms have been completed, housing two GBV survivors, bringing the total to five women, and five children (aged 5 months to 10 years) receiving confidential accommodation and services, including for reproductive health.

- In **Poland**, over **800 refugees have been reached** with SRH, GBV and mental health and psychosocial support services and referrals.
- The East European Institute for Reproductive Health (EEIRH) and local partners in **Romania** started providing services to women and girls refugees from Ukraine. Almost 3,000 people were reached with information about support services. Over 1,100 persons received information on SRH and GBV, health services, psychosocial services. Almost 100 dignity kits were distributed and nearly 300 people participated in group activities. Two training sessions on SRH and GBV were conducted. Translation of WHO guidelines on clinical management of rape and intimate partner violence survivors, for the National Agency for Equality of Opportunities between Women and Men, was completed.
- In **Slovakia**, UNFPA completed a 5-day Training on the Clinical Management of Rape and Intimate Partner Violence (CMR/IPV) in collaboration with UNHCR, WHO and EQUITA, a Slovak NGO, in order to support Slovak and Ukrainian health workers to provide survivor-centred care to refugees and most at need communities in Slovakia.

\* More information is available in the country snapshots below.

Ukraine Country Snapshot #17

Moldova Country Snapshot #10

## UNFPA Funding Requirement for 2023



**\$99 M required**



**39% funded**

- UNFPA's [funding requirement](#) is \$99 million for life-saving SRH and GBV interventions and supplies in Ukraine, Moldova and other refugee-hosting countries.
- UNFPA is working with governments and partners to scale up the delivery of life-saving multi-sectoral SRH and GBV information, services and supplies, including the provision of CMR and psychosocial support services, winterized dignity kits and targeted cash assistance for women and girls and other vulnerable groups in Ukraine and refugee-hosting countries, including older persons and persons with disabilities.
- The OCHA-led 2023 Humanitarian Needs Overview and Humanitarian Response Plan for Ukraine and the UNHCR-led 2023 Regional Refugee Response Plan, which include UNFPA funding requirements, were released on 15 February 2023. The financial requirements of UNFPA to respond to the needs of all people affected by the war in Ukraine have already been taken into consideration in the 2023 Global Humanitarian Overview, which was released by OCHA on 1 December 2022.
- UNFPA greatly appreciates the generous support of donors and the tireless efforts of partners in responding to the needs in Ukraine and the region.

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