World Vision is responding to the devastating impact of the conflict in Ukraine in Romania, Moldova, Georgia, and Ukraine.

8.03 million people are displaced inside the country.

3,496 civilian casualties and 3,760 injured.

1,499 attacks on education facilities and 209 on health care.

6 million refugees:
- Poland: 3.2 million
- Romania: 889,674
- Moldova: 458,242

Source: UNHCR

Situation overview

Over 8 million people are now displaced internally and almost 6 million have fled the country. Altogether, more than a third of Ukraine’s pre-war population have now fled their homes.

There are mounting fears that the conflict will lead to dire hunger, both within the country and for the large numbers of people in the Middle East and East Africa who are normally dependent on Ukrainian food exports. The first early planting cycle of the year has now been completed, and 20-30% of fields are fallow.

If the conflict continues, there’s an expectation that planted areas will continue to reduce, and crops that have been grown will not be able to be exported. 1 in 3 households in Ukraine is now food insecure, according to World Food Programme.

There is increasing evidence of pendular movements, as families who fled in the first days of the conflict in late February returned home around April after troops withdrew from the Kyiv region. IOM estimates that 2.7 million people have returned in some form, although many were then displaced or left the country once again. Although the conflict is now concentrated in the South and East of the country, almost every oblast has received missile attacks.

According to UNOCHA, 3.6 million children have been affected by school closures and attacks. Children have been affected by high levels of stress due to the conflict, and are at risk of negative coping mechanisms or dropping out of school.
Response Highlights

People reached

- Men 10,507
- Women 45,522
- Children 39,748
  - Boys 19,393
  - Girls 20,355

Response achievements

- 36,737 people reached with food assistance
- 31.21 MT of food assistance distributed
- 726 people reached with cash and voucher
- $35,540 value of cash distributed
- 11,954 people reached with temporary shelter assistance
- 855 children supported with child protection programming
- 17,778 Hygiene Kits distributed
- 46,713 People reached with hygiene kits
- 9,202 people reached with cleaning items
- 302 people benefitting from PSS activities
Response Highlights

ROMANIA
42,915 people reached to date with food assistance, protection, shelter and hygiene kits

- Conducted rapid needs assessments in Iasi, Constanta and Bucharest
- Supporting 4,800 people over the next 90 days transiting through Iasi with shelter, sanitation, transportation and protection programming, including anti-trafficking and PSEA awareness raising.
- Delivered over USD 200,000 worth of food, hygiene items and baby supplies to RomExpo, Bucharest’s largest 2,000-person overflow shelter. In partnership with Geeks Without Frontiers’ N50 project, we have also setup a Portable Connectivity Center (PCC) - a modern internet café based from a shipping container, which will provide up to 300 refugees internet access at a time, and simultaneously charge 100 devices.
- Secured a 1000 m² warehouse facility in Bucharest via Maersk, which is being stocked with one month of food for 140,000 people, to be shipped to shelters in Romania and Chernivtsi, Odesa, Kyiv, Donetsk, Kharkiv and other conflict affected areas of Eastern Ukraine.
- Preparing partners for cash distributions, using World Vision’s Last Mile Mobile Solutions (LMMS) system for beneficiary registration.

UKRAINE
47,438 people reached with food assistance, medical supplies and shelter kits

- Conducted rapid needs assessments and established office in Chernivtsi
- From Romania, we have sent more than 8MT of food assistance, 1,000 hospital supply kits, 1,190 hygiene kits, and other essential supplies to hospitals and local organisations in Chernivtsi who are serving displaced families.
- Signed agreements with four local organizations for a donation of USD 50,000 per partner for the provision of humanitarian assistance across Ukraine. The assistance will include delivery of food parcels and WASH/NFI items to the eastern regions of Ukraine and to IDPs in Odesa, as well as procurement and distribution of seeds to farming households in Rivne oblast. Additionally, a van equipped for transportation of children with disabilities is being procured for a psychiatric hospital in Ivano-Frankivsk oblast.
- We are working with ACTED to deliver multi-purpose cash, protection assistance and psychosocial support in Chernivtsi and Vinnytsya over the next six months.
- Finalised the project design with Baptist World Alliance for provision of cash transfers and hot meals in Lviv oblast, and conducted safeguarding training.
- Delivered 120 pallets of hygiene kits for distribution by NRC in the Donbas region

GEORGIA
1,212 people supported with multipurpose cash, livelihood, protection and education activities

A small refugee response is supporting 4,000 Ukrainians who were temporarily in the country when the conflict began.

- We have been working with the Ministry of Education to get 110 refugee children into school. So far 58 have been enrolled.
- 150 vouchers to cover food, hygiene, clothing and pharmacy costs have been distributed to families in Tbilisi.
- Music therapy sessions are held twice weekly at two hotels hosting refugees, for 30 children aged 4-13.
- Together with UNHCR, we have expanded our existing support to 3,000 refugees, asylum seekers and humanitarian status holders in Georgia to cover Ukrainians as well (up to a total of 20,000 people). Our social workers facilitate access to education and healthcare for Ukrainian refugees, and also support children and women with child protection, gender-based violence and psychosocial services.

MOLDOVA
4,212 people reached with food, cash and cleaning supplies

- We are working with WFP to provide host families in Dubasari and Chisinau (covering 100% of Chisinau) with cash support. To date we have registered around 3,500 families since April 18, with distributions planned for this week through Western Union. In Dubasari, we have already distributed $6080 USD to 32 host families.
- We provided food and NFIs worth of $3,500 to 180 refugees living in a summer camp, converted into refugee accommodation in Dubasari on May 4.
- We are funding the rehabilitation of bathroom facilities at a Palanca border-crossing collective shelter, in collaboration with the local government
- Supported refugee centers through a donation of Food/NFI items through the Diaconia/Moldovan Food bank.
- Finalising partnerships and field visits with partners for child protection, education, food and NFI distribution, including Comunitas’ children’s center, work at the border, and transit centers.
Funding

USD 80M
Secured funding

USD 12M
Pipeline funding

USD 1.3M
GIK/Food Secured

External resources

UNHCR
Humanitarian Data Explorer

Humanitarian Response

World Vision Strategies and Publications

90 Day Strategy

Iasi Rapid needs assessment

Bucharest rapid needs assessment

Constanta Needs Assessment

English Ukrainian

Vaccine guidance for CHWs and home visitors from our COVID-19 Response

World Vision in the media last week

7 May, 2022
AFP (France)/MSN (US)

4 May, 2022
CNN (US)

7 May, 2022
Ziare (Romania)

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