

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



6.5 million refugees:



Poland:
3.5 million



Romania:
966,490



Moldova:
472,377

Source: [UNHCR](#)

Situation overview

The number of refugees who have fled Ukraine has reached more than 6.5 million. More than two-thirds of Ukrainian children have been displaced from their homes since the start of the conflict.

Three months of political insecurity in Ukraine has extended the disruptions to education due to the COVID-19 pandemic for children, which [could have long-term consequences for children's development](#).

In Romania, [UNCHR](#) has expressed concerns about potential gaps regarding children who may be separated

after arriving in Romania. On May 6, the [Government of Romania](#) reported 2,700 unaccompanied children have been registered since the beginning of the conflict. Many of the children are from special protection institutions near Mariupol and Donetsk. This marks a concerning increase from March 17, when 500 unaccompanied minors were identified crossing the border from Ukraine to Romania.

Ukrainian children with disabilities with the greatest support needs are living in atrocious conditions, according to an [investigation](#) by Disability Rights

International in April. The organisation warns that thousands of disabled children have been forgotten and abandoned in institutions that can't look after them.

The World Health Organization (WHO) [has raised concerns](#) about a potential measles outbreak among Ukrainian children due to the ongoing fighting and low vaccination rates. Although 85 per cent of eligible children in Ukraine received their first dose of measles vaccine in 2020, it's still below the recommended 95 per cent or higher each year to achieve and maintain herd immunity and protect the population.

People reached

129,116

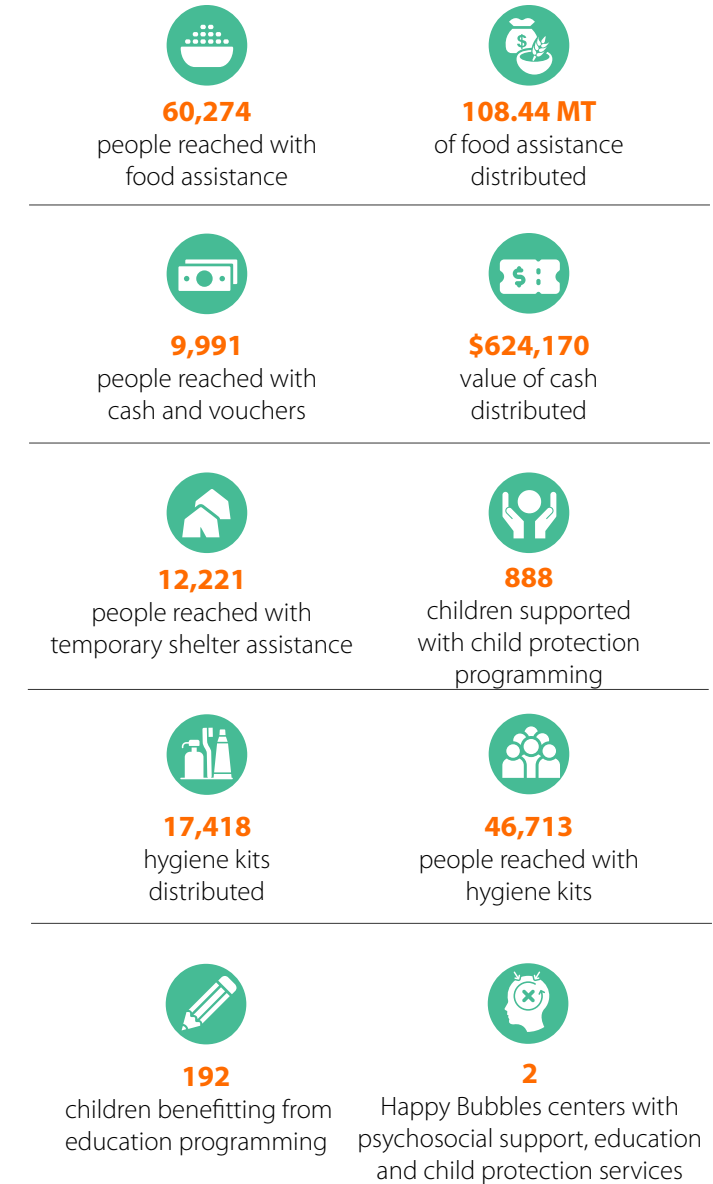
Men 14,165
 Women 61,581

Children 53,370
Boys 26,039 **Girls 27,331**

People reached by country



Response achievements





ROMANIA

- Opened two Happy Bubbles centers in Romania. They are the first of five centers that will be replicated in other parts of the country and integrate education, mental health, psychosocial support and child protection activities, funded by the private sector. Refugee children will have a chance to play, be safe and engage in non-formal education.
- In partnership with the Ternopol's center in Iasi:
 - Supported 49 children with education and recreational programmes to help improve their well-being and engagement.
 - Helped cover the cost of the utilities, reaching 193 refugees who are temporarily staying at the shelter.
- In Bucharest, we have signed a small grant funding agreement with Centrul Crestin (Finnish school), USVAR in Galati and Carrusel. This has:
 - Supported 15 Ukrainian teachers in the Finnish School by paying their salaries.
 - Enabled 19 children to participate in educational activities at the Tei Sports cultural complex, where we also delivered 0.644MT of food to reach the 37 refugees staying there.
 - Helped 12 mothers access Romanian language lessons twice weekly to enable them to communicate easier.



MOLDOVA

- In Stefan Voda, trained 70 staff and frontline workers from our implementing partners (Comunitas, Ave Copiii, Public Association the Food Bank, Justice & Mercy International) on psychosocial first aid. This will be scaled up to Romania via a one-year mentorship program.
- In Chisinau, supported IsraAid with conducting education rapid needs assessment.
- Provided 1.9MT of food to 180 refugees at the Refugee Accommodation Center and 74 children with child protection activities and tablets.
- To date, 3,099 families have received over \$588,820 of cash through our cash project with WFP. This includes 3,067 host families (9,201 Individuals). Each family receives an equivalent of \$190.
- World Vision is collaborating with World Food Programme (WFP) to conduct joint focus group discussions and interviews in Chisinau.
- Ongoing discussions with MNO (Orange) about cash activities as well potential partnering with World Vision France and Moldova.
- WFP Field-Level Agreement will be extended until July 2022.



UKRAINE

- Distributed 85,000 seed packets to 18,000 people in Rivne oblast to diversify the minimum food basket, strengthen community resilience and contribute to food supply.
- Delivered 76.58 MT of food assistance to reach 5,500 people throughout Ukraine.
- Finalised partnership agreements to achieve the following:
 - Reach 67,679 children and family members with psychosocial support and education programmes in Vinnytsia, Odesa, Zakarpattia and Kyiv (Partner: Girls).
 - Deliver multi-purpose cash assistance to 2,700 people in Zhytomyr, 2,723 people in Zakarpattia, Lviv and Kyiv, and 3,300 people in Zaporizhzhia (Partners: Youth Movement Be Free, Hungarian Interchurch Aid, Dorcas).
 - Support more than 58 collective sites in Lviv (Partner: Will Help Together and Lviv Department of Social Protection).
 - Deliver food and non-food items to 1,800 displaced people in collective sites in Zakarpattia and Odesa (Partners: Radooga and Way Home).
 - Deliver an accessible van to a children's neuropsychiatric hospital in Chernivtsi to facilitate medical transportation for children with disabilities (Partner: Zaluchchya Hospital).
 - Deliver food kits to 150,000 people over the next two months (Partners: Arms of Mercy, Mission Eurasia and Help Ukraine).
- Finished a scoping and needs assessment mission to Vinnytsia oblast.
- Completed psychosocial first aid training for partners in Vinnytsia.
- Started beneficiary registration for cash projects with Baptist World Aid and Youth Movement Be Free.



GEORGIA

- In partnership with State Care Agency and UNHCR, held informational sessions on gender-based violence for Ukrainian women and children in Batumi and Kutaisi.
- Developed a recommendation package with UNHCR and presented it to the Government of Georgia, to promote decentralization and diversification of refugee support, to enable greater inclusion and spread the burden on services.

Funding

USD 96M
Secured funding



USD 30M
Pipeline funding

USD 1.3M
GIK/Food Secured

External resources

[UNHCR](#)

[Humanitarian Response](#)

[Humanitarian Data Explorer](#)

World Vision Strategies and Publications



[90 Day Strategy](#)



[Iasi Rapid needs assessment](#)



[Bucharest rapid needs assessment](#)



[Chernivtsi rapid needs assessment](#)



[Constanta Needs Assessment](#)



[Response Dashboard](#)

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



[English Ukrainian](#)

World Vision in the media last week

May 09, 2022
[NTV](#) (Germany)

May 11, 2022
[iNews](#) (UK)

May 15, 2022
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