An estimated of 348 children are among the 5,237 civilians killed during the conflict so far, with OHCHR reporting almost 560 children among the 7,035 civilians injured.

12,000 civilian casualties – with 360 persons killed and 1,099 injured just in July 2022.

A generation of children is being scarred by the war, with 1.5 million children in danger of issues including anxiety, depression and social impairment, according to a World Vision report. Ukrainian parents say their biggest worry is the mental health of their children.

Across Europe as at 03 August, only 3.8 million refugees who left Ukraine have registered for temporary protection or similar schemes. In Ukraine, more than 5.5 million mostly internally displaced people have returned to their homes, while the overall number of those internally displaced remains high at over 6.6 million, says the International Organization for Migration. 40 % of host communities and 25 % of the internally displaced need shelter support, according to the revised Ukraine Flash Appeal.

Many people inside Ukraine can’t meet basic needs for food, water and medicines, with the delivery of life-saving aid remaining challenging, especially in places experiencing intense fighting.

11 million people have received assistance across Ukraine, with a further 6.7 million yet to get humanitarian help.
World Vision started working in Ukraine in 2022. Offices in Kyiv and Chernivtsi currently manage and support aid for conflict-affected people in 23 municipalities across Ukraine. Thanks to collaboration with 15 national and international partners, World Vision has been able to deliver life-saving assistance to people living near the front lines while programs in safer areas already look at longer term needs of displaced children and families as well as local humanitarian actors.

- The Ukraine Response Team successfully launched a project funded by “Aktion Deutschland Hilft” (Germany’s Relief Coalition) which aims to support 80,831 displaced children and adults in Kyiv, Odesa, Vinnytsia and Zakarpatska. Partnering with the Ukrainian NGO “Divchata” (“Girls”) and with “Health Right International”, this project is providing psychosocial and education support, legal advice, protection as well as help to improve living conditions in shelters, particularly for women and girls, young children, elderly people and people with disabilities. Activities allowing children and youth to develop healthy are also organised. (see photos from a visit to a project site in Vinnytsia below).
- Summer Camps, supporting inclusion, mental health and rehabilitation of conflict-affected children, started in new locations or invited new participants. Monitoring visits took place in Kyiv, Irpin and Yaseniiv.
- Multi-purpose Cash Assistance was rolled out in Chernivtsi region. Additional cash programming is being explored with Caritas, who have a widespread network of hubs and volunteers across Ukraine.
- The first Project Implementation Unit meeting was held for the BHA consortium.
- WV in partnership with 4 organizations has assisted 8,793 individuals as of July who received MPC assistance; the goal is to reach 11,000 beneficiaries with support from Aktion Deutschland Hilft until the end of September.
- In Zhytomyr Oblast, Under the GIRO555 project and in partnership with a local organization, 2,700 individuals were assisted through multipurpose cash transfers to cover their basic needs during the past 3 months.
- With the support of local organizations and in coordination with the local government, key NFIs have been delivered to Collective Centers where IDPs are located. These NFIs include washing machines, microwaves, refrigerators, stoves, and air conditioners, among others, which allow the population that uses these centers as shelters to be adequately and decently cared for.
- Hot meal rations have been delivered through community kitchens, mobile kitchens, and shelters, in partnership with local partners in the Lviv Oblast.
- Currently, WV and its partners are working on repairs to collective centers in Vinnytsya and Ternopil Oblast, including window and door repairs, among others.
- During the summer season, 80 summer camps have been implemented, which attended around 5,400 children during July. The second component of this project is starting and will include the development of an educational app for online/offline studying of Ukrainian children in and out of Ukraine (maths and reading 1-4 grades), and non-formal education - clubs.

To date, 150,075 people in Ukraine received food assistance from World Vision and partners. These Photos, provided by our Partner “Mission Eurasia”, show recipients of food packages in Bucha and in villages close to the border to Belarus.

Butterflies all around: Welcome to a fun Arts Session offered by our partner “Girls” to displaced children and local children living together in villages in Vinnytsia Region.

A success story on the project can also be found on ACTED’s website.
World Vision has been active in the country for more than 30 years and currently supports refugees from Ukraine as well as host communities and institutions with 19 partners in 10 municipalities.

- As means to meet refugee basic needs, Multipurpose Cash Assistance (MPCA) kicked off with about 5,000 refugees registered in the past month receiving their cash transfer. About 22,000 Refugees were also supported with food and NFIs through the social stores in Brashov and Bucharest. NFIs included family and personal hygiene products.
- Summer school activities started in Bucharest, Brashov and Vulcea.
- Mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) continue to be mainstreamed and implemented across all sectors, targeting refugees whose mental health has been adversely affected by the conflict and displacements.
- 22 facilitators were trained on First Aid Arts and are now expected to reach the refugee adolescents in the various locations where they currently reside.

Anna with her 7-year-old son, Artyom in the children's play area at their shelter in Iasi, Romania. Her 7-year-old son, Artyom, needs special treatment for a kidney disease. She worried for his health. They ended up at the FONSS refugee center in Iasi, Romania. The shelter offers food and accommodation, social services, social evaluation, educational activities, and support groups. Despite her worries related to war, Anna feels thankful to have this safe place that offers so much for Artyom. “Of course my heart, my soul is happy, because my child is happy. He likes being here. He has many friends. Also he is catching lizards. It is his hobby. So I am happy because of him.”

She’s also happy because Artyom is receiving good health care for his kidney condition and is much improved.
World Vision started working in Moldova in 2022 and has an office in Chisinau which currently supports the Ukraine Crisis Response with 4 partners and programs in 16 municipalities.

- Agreements with Regional Directorates of Social Assistance and Family Protection of four targeted districts were signed.
- 25 staff of partner organisations Ave Copii and Communitas received 4 days of training in First Aid Arts, which they are going to offer in family centers, as part of a project funded by the Australian Government (DFAT).
- The operations team delivered the second round of cash assistance in partnership with the World Food Program to support Moldovan hosting community.
- World Vision’s partner Food Bank distributed food and non-food items, funded by the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) in UK, to refugee and local vulnerable households.
- 17 Child friendly spaces (13 funded by DEC and 4 by DFAT) continue to provide psychosocial support to refugees and local population.

Visiting CFC in Chisinau managed by our partners Communitas

World Vision team registering hosting community members for support in Dubasari

World Vision Team registering hosting community in Chisinau

World Vision and WFP team meeting with local authorities in Dubasari

Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) training conducted by World Vision with participation of our partners Communitas and Ave Copii

First aid Arts training conducted by World Vision with participation of our partners Ave Copii, Communitas and food bank. Read article [here](#). More [photos](#).
World Vision is one of the leading children's rights non-governmental organisations in Georgia. Throughout its over 20 years of work in the country, the organisation has been actively engaged in the strengthening of the child welfare system and creating a healthy and active society for children that is inclusive, tolerant and provides equal opportunities for all.

- **GEORGIA**

  - World Vision Georgia continues to support Ukrainian children through dance and music therapy. Up to 30 children are involved on regular bases in the activities. The majority of them are living in the refugee reception centres provided by the government.
  - The response team worked in close coordination with UNHCR and all stakeholders to assess needs for help, provide consultation and refer to relevant social, health and psychosocial services. Social workers also addressed various service providers to ensure access to rights. People who meet special vulnerability criteria are presented to CBI committee to get cash-based assistance.
  - Project staff also disseminate information leaflets and electronic information on available services for citizens of Ukraine among the targeted stakeholders. All materials are translated in Ukrainian, Russian and English languages.
  - On 20-21 of July project staff participated in a workshop organized by UNHCR in close coordination with the Government Administration, IDP Agency and MIA, with representatives of various local municipalities. The aim of the Workshop was to provide practical guidance on how services and support systems can be adapted to the specific situation and protection needs of refugees and to clarify further whether there are legal or practical barriers to inclusion of newly arrived Ukrainian refugees, most of whom are not yet in the asylum system and whose access to services has so far been regulated by special decree. Ukrainians are being asked to relocate imminently from their current hotel accommodation. There is some urgency in helping them to relocate and start to build new homes and lives.

- **Consultation/registration for Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance at World Vision Georgia Office**

**If music be the food of love… (Story about dance and music therapy)**

“**My name is Natasha, I am 11-years-old, this hotel has become a home for us. We came here for winter holidays and we love this place. During music sessions we sit in a circle, play different instruments and express our emotions with a melody.”** - says Natasha, who used to live in the city of Zaporizhia in Ukraine. Her family could not go back there, when the war started. Natasha’s life changed in an instant. As an immediate response and source of support to children like Natasha, World Vision Georgia initiated music and dance synthetic activities for Ukrainian children with the aim of improving their psycho-emotional well-being and strengthening feelings of safety and security. Music and dance synthetic activity is a wonderful way to express emotions, especially for children. This is communication between people using different instruments, rhythms and melodies. Through dance and music children can communicate through rhythmic synchronous movements, improve mood, manage emotions and overcome anger during stressful situations. The children loved it, parents were relieved to see smiles on children’s faces again. “It is happiness to see a smile on the faces of our children again. After music and dance sessions their mood changes positively, they laugh and share love with each other. They feel cared. These days will remain in the memory of our children for a long time”, told Irina, a Ukrainian mother, our staff. World Vision Georgia team provides weekly psychosocial and educational assistance to Ukrainian children to improve children’s socialization and integration into a new environment.
On 20-21 of July WV Geo participated in the workshop organized by UNHCR in close coordination with the Representatives of Local Municipalities.
**UKRAINE**

- Based on ongoing trends which show that, as a result of people continuing to return to Ukraine and displacements from eastern oblasts moving to adjacent oblasts, the east of the country now hosts the largest amount of IDPs. In order to respond to those most in need in the east, World Vision will open an office in Dnipro in order to have a greater presence in the east.
- In addition, a new strategic partner (Caritas Ukraine) has been identified to work with on large MPCA project in the east. Longer term partnership with Caritas Ukraine will focus on Livelihood, in alignment with strategic priorities. Caritas Ukraine are a significant partner given their history in the country and their strong networks across the country, particularly the east.
- World Vision, together with Save the Children, Mercy Corp and IRC will fund the establishment of a humanitarian NGO coordination forum. The forum will allow for coordinated engagement of humanitarian NGOs with the RC/HC and other UN bodies and coordinate advocacy and HR efforts within the Ukraine context.

**ROMANIA**

- Based on expansive improvements needed for mental health in Romania, and the immediate mental health and psychosocial support needs of Ukrainian refugees. World Vision has begun discussions with WHO and the Ministry of health to explore feasible partnership options with elements of an MHPSS Emergencies program, combined with a longer term program such as WHO's Special initiative for Mental Health program in Romania. This involves a mental health systems strengthening approach that will ensure access to quality care for mental health conditions.
- Ongoing discussions with UNICEF, government’s local authorities on expansion of the services and provision of basic needs to refugees in Galati and Constanta.
- WV is continuously engaged in cluster and working group conversations and meetings so as to have a coordinated approach to service provision of the refugees. WV is a member of all WGs and co-leads the PSEA WG together with UNHCR.

**GEORGIA**

- With the support of IDP agency, a Refugee Reception Hub has been set up near the Larsi border.
- Music and dance activities/sessions were conducted for refugee kids
- Project worked intensively in close coordination with UNHCR
- WV Geo participated in the workshop organised by UNHCR with municipal and central government authorities which served to assess the capacity of municipalities to handle the influx of refugees and identify gaps critical to responding.
- The project staff obtained the information, assess cases, provide consultation, and made relevant referrals according to the needs of the beneficiaries from various countries, mainly from Ukraine aiming to ensure their adequate and timely access to all governmental and non-governmental social, health, and psychosocial services that meet their needs.
- Project actively disseminates information leaflets and brochures on available services among the targeted stakeholders.
- 2 legal consultation sessions were organised targeting the Ukrainian Refugees. Beneficiaries got acquainted with the rights and duties of asylum seekers, refugees and humanitarian status holders, as well as the procedure of granting asylum and the specifics of the court proceedings related to it, at the end of the meetings individual legal advice was provided.
- The psychologist continues to held psychological sessions targeting PoCs
- Labour subsidies were implemented in the direction of employment. Employer Company has employed a number of Ukrainian beneficiaries.

**MOLDOVA**

- Working on expansion plan
- Applying for WFP call for proposal
- Applying for DEC 2
- Submiting WVR PNS
- Meeting with UNHCR
- Ongoing World Vision representation in the UNICEF Inter-agency refugee working group. Anticipating announcement of the Education Cannot Wait opportunity this month.
- Convened a meeting on Early Childhood Development discussions with Street Child.
- Ongoing engagement with Local authorities specially Chisinau municipality

**Data highlights: Assessment Published**

- Rapid Needs Assessment – Brasov, Romania
- Rapid Needs Assessment – Valcea, Romania
- Onsite Monitoring – Romexpo – Bucharest, Romania
- Ukraine RNA
- REACH MSNA – Preliminary Findings - Moldova
Funding

US$ 111.59M
Secured funding

US$ 24 M
Pipeline funding

US$ 6 M
actual spending

Advocacy Highlights

Six months into the conflict press release

World Vision Strategies and Publications

No Peace of Mind Report

Global Annual Report 2021

Let’s end double standards towards refugees

Response Dashboard

Latest World Vision View

World Vision in the media

N-TV (Germany) 04 July, 2022
Million children are at risk of long-term psychological consequences

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New report warns that mental health impacts for Ukraine’s refugee children could cost billions

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Ukraine’s unseen problem could affect up to four million people

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How the Situation in Ukraine Impacts on the Whole World

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Vacaciones en paz para niños ucranianos: la iniciativa que aleja del dolor y la devastación

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Two-year-old Artiom finds a place to play at World Vision’s child-safe play area at RomExpo.
Partnership Key Updates

- Ukraine – working with 15 partners (7 NNGOs and 8 INGOs)
- Moldova – working with 4 partners (3 NNGOs and 1 INGO)
- Romania – working with 19 partners (11 NNGOs and 9 government institutions)

- 17 rapid organizational capacity assessments done
- 45 NNGOs, INGOs and government departments vetted since the beginning of the response

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