



# UKRAINE CRISIS 100 DAYS



Save the Children

In March 2022 we were in Siret, Romania providing immediate support and toys to children who had to flee Ukraine so they could feel like children.

We do whatever it takes to help children before, during and after a crisis.

Drawing on over a century of experience, we've responded immediately since the beginning of the crisis, and will continue to support children and their families to rebuild their lives.

More than 100 days after the crisis escalated, the situation in Ukraine remains dire for children and their families.

In parts of the country, thousands of children remain trapped underground in metro stations, school basements and other forms of bunkers while violence, shelling and bombing continue.

Two-thirds of children have fled their homes and more than **6.6 million** people have had to flee to neighbouring countries.

Persistent air strikes and explosions have damaged schools and hospitals, killing civilians and making it hard for children to access health care and safe education.

As the violence continues, children are at risk of devastating trauma from loss and displacement.

**Every second, another child becomes a refugee.**

# HOW YOUR DONATIONS ARE HELPING CHILDREN

With your support, we've been able to reach 210,000 people with life-saving essentials, protection and assistance.

And we continue to respond quickly to a situation that is constantly changing, both in Ukraine and in surrounding countries where families are seeking refuge.

We have been calling for an immediate end of hostilities and for children to be protected, in accordance with international humanitarian law.

We've been operating in Ukraine since 2014. Throughout the 8-year conflict, we've been delivering essential humanitarian aid to children and their families, including winter kits, hygiene kits and cash grants so they can meet basic needs such as food, rent and medicines.

Thanks to your generosity, we will continue our work as long as it takes to help children and their families recover and rebuild their lives.



## OUR RESPONSE IN NUMBERS

210,000 PEOPLE REACHED  
INCLUDING 122,000 CHILDREN

GIVING CHILDREN  
THE BEST CHANCE  
TO SURVIVE

80,000

CHILDREN AND THEIR  
FAMILIES HAVE RECEIVED  
FOOD, CASH AND  
VOUCHERS ASSISTANCE  
TO MEET BASIC NEEDS  
LIKE MEDICINES



KEEPING CHILDREN  
SAFE

120,000

CHILDREN AND  
THEIR FAMILIES HAVE  
RECEIVED WELLBEING,  
PSYCHOLOGICAL AND  
SAFEGUARDING SUPPORT



PROTECTING  
CHILDREN'S  
FUTURES

3,100

CHILDREN HAVE RECEIVED  
EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT,  
SUCH AS ACCESS TO  
ONLINE LEARNING  
PROGRAMMES



These are the figures available at the time of writing: 23rd May 2022.

# OUR RESPONSE IN UKRAINE

**106,000**  
people reached

Our trained teams in Ukraine are working alongside local partners and the Ukraine government to provide essential items and support to families in dire need.

We have reached 106,000 people with life-saving support:



Food, fuel and cash assistance to meet people's most urgent needs



Blankets, hygiene items, baby kits, trauma kits with supplies to treat injuries and bunker kits with toys and games to encourage play and learning



Medical supplies and support to health teams and hospitals



Mental health support to terrified children and their families



Educational kits and learning programmes to help children make up for lost learning



Child protection services to ensure children and families remain together and separated children are reunited safely with their caregivers



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We are working with local partners to support people in the most hard-to-reach areas in the country. In Kramatorsk, in the Donetsk region, we delivered over 9000 litres of water in just one day. This is enough for 1300 families for a week.



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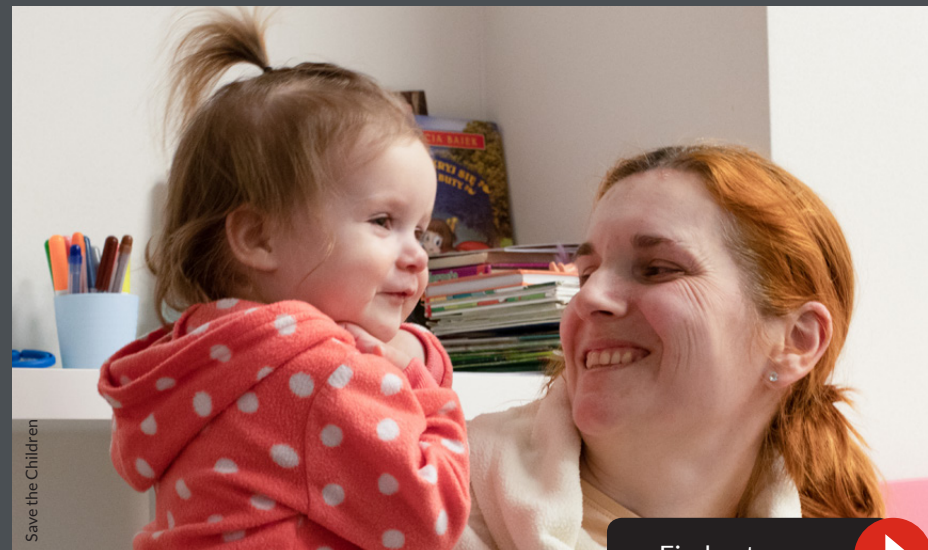
We are creating reception centres across eastern Ukraine to support people forced to flee Mariupol. In these centres we provide families with cash to meet basic needs like food and medicines, as well as much needed psychological support and child protection services.

# OUR REGIONAL RESPONSE

**104,000**  
people reached with  
life-saving support

Our teams are assisting children and families fleeing Ukraine at border crossing points and reception centres in Romania, Poland and Lithuania. We have reached 104,000 people with life-saving support:

- Providing food, fuel and cash assistance to meet people's most urgent needs
- Distributing blankets, hygiene items, dignity and baby kits
- Providing mental health support to terrified children and their families
- Supporting mothers with baby feeding and pregnant women with baby arrival kits
- Setting up child friendly spaces where children can play and recover from the traumatic experiences they have been through
- Establishing safe passages to get food and other essential supplies to the most affected areas in Ukraine
- Providing child protection services to ensure children and families remain together and separated children are reunited safely with their caregivers
- Providing information about housing, healthcare, childcare, education, legal support and other refugee rights



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Kristina\* is 14 months old. She travelled with her mother Irina\*, 36, and older sister Katia\*, 13 from the city of Dnipro, all across Ukraine, over the Polish border, to Kraków where they are now staying temporarily. Kristina's\* father stayed behind in Ukraine with her grandmother who refused to leave her home despite the conflict. They hope to return home to Ukraine once it is safe to do so.

In the meantime, they are staying at a reception centre where Save the Children is supporting families and children. Kristina\* loves playing in the child friendly space we have set up inside the reception centre. It is filled with toys, games and craft supplies. Kristina\* especially enjoys drawing and playing with her favourite cuddly white bear.



We are also providing families like Kristina's\* with essential items such as food, hygiene products, clothes and diapers – as well as cash support and school supplies if needed.

# OUR RESPONSE IN THE REST OF EUROPE

We are also working hard to support European hosting countries to welcome children and families who have fled Ukraine. These countries include Denmark, Finland, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom.

Our response includes:

- Offering emergency shelter and working with local families and businesses to provide temporary safe housing.
- Setting up child friendly spaces in key places, like migration offices, so children can relax and play while waiting to be assisted.
- Working with local authorities to promote children's wellbeing and avoid harm.
- Connecting refugee families to relevant services and local communities.
- Providing practical information, legal advice and mental health support to children and their families.
- Influencing the European Union and its member states to create safe and legal routes across Europe for people fleeing the conflict.



Daryina\*, 4, her mother and brother fled their home in Ukraine when fighting approached a nuclear power station.

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## Thank you for your support

Your generosity means we can help children make it through the darkest moments of their lives. Thanks to your support we've been able to respond quickly and will continue our work as long as it takes to help children and their families to rebuild their lives.

\* Names have been changed to protect identities

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