It has been four months since the beginning of Russia’s full-scale war against Ukraine. Over the weekend, intense airstrikes and missile attacks hit multiple oblasts in various parts of Ukraine, including in the capital, causing destruction, civilian injuries and deaths. The fierce fighting continues in eastern Ukraine, and humanitarian needs in the country are enormous and continue growing.

UNHCR has continued to expand the scale and reach of programmes with the aim of delivering assistance and services as close as possible to the place where people are sheltering or have been displaced. UNHCR’s response has now reached more than 1.5 million people with protection services, assistance through cash or essential items, and shelter support to repair or protect their damaged homes from the elements.

UNHCR operates as part of the inter-agency emergency response and is leading three clusters - Protection, Shelter and NFIs (non-food items), and CCCM (Camp Coordination and Camp Management).

While providing immediate relief to those fleeing, UNHCR is also working closely with local and national actors to lay the groundwork for sustainable and durable solutions and ensure that our response is aligned with social programmes thus effectively reinforcing and complementing national systems.

The longer the war continues, the medium to longer-term needs that conflict-affected people, IDPs, and returnees will face to rebuild their lives will similarly rise and require sustained support from the humanitarian and broader international community.
WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS: Protection Response

- Since the beginning of the emergency, UNHCR and its NGO partners have provided legal consultations to more than 26,000 people, legal assistance to more than 18,000 people, social accompaniment to nearly 9,000 people and protection counselling and information to more than 151,000 people.
- Since 24 February, UNHCR’s NGO partners have provided psychosocial support to almost 36,000 people.
- Last week, the Government Commissioner for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Tetiana Barantsova, together with UNHCR and its NGO partners conducted a series of joint visits in Zakarpatska oblast, to centres and organizations providing accommodation or rehabilitation services to internally displaced persons with disabilities, including children, as well as centres accommodating Roma IDPs. Participants assessed accessibility of the institutions and the needs of IDPs with disabilities evacuated from the eastern Ukraine.
- UNHCR and its NGO partners also continue monitoring protection needs at border points, transit, reception and collective centres as well as in communities, and proposed interventions to address them. More than 4,000 monitoring missions were conducted since the beginning of the emergency. The needs vary from NFIs and food provisions to psychological assistance, social consultations and referrals.
- UNHCR’s NGO partners organized recreational activities for IDP families. Nehemia prepared indoor and outdoor activities for more than 100 children in Uzhhorod, NEEKA organized two historical guided tours for 30 IDPs in Mukachevo, while CrimeaSOS, jointly with local NGOs and representatives of local authorities, organized games, sports competitions, and creative activities for IDP families and children in Hadiach, Poltavska oblast.
- On 21 June, a training on GBV was provided for UNHCR’s operational NGO partners in Dnipro, Zaporizhzhia, Poltava, Kharkiv and Sumy, where participants discussed gender and GBV risk analysis, mainstreaming and referral pathways. Training sessions on child protection were also provided for UNHCR’s NGO partners NEEKA and Nehemia in Uzhhorod.

RESPONSE AT A GLANCE

- **Protection Assistance**: 400K people to receive shelter support, including through refurbishments of 40 reception & collective centres.
- **Food Assistance**: 150,891 vouchers, 101,777 cards, 16,712 beneficiaries, 8,007 Food Provisions, 37,711 PZSPs, 28,851 distributed food items.
- **Multi-Purpose Cash**: 53,456 payments, 26,347 beneficiaries, 5,516 beneficiaries, 1,440 beneficiaries.
- **Protection Assistance**: 115,499 vouchers, 55,177 cards, 16,712 beneficiaries, 8,007 Food Provisions, 37,711 PZSPs, 28,851 distributed food items.
- **Emergency Shelter Kits**: 12,767 beneficiaries.
- **Shelter: NFI & Shelter**: 23,916 beneficiaries, 9,357 beneficiaries.
- **Targeted Protection Assistance**: 140K people to receive targeted protection assistance and information.
- **Essential and non-food items**: 1.5M people to be supported with essential and non-food items.
- **Multi-purpose Cash Assistance**: 1.08M people to receive Multi-purpose Cash Assistance.
- **Climbing Walls**: 400K people in collective sites to be supported by CCCM services.

**Emergency Response Targets by end of August**

- UNHCR response aims to reach 4.3 M people*
- 1.2M people to receive targeted protection assistance and information.
- 1.5M people to be supported with essential and non-food items.
- 1.08M people to receive Multi-purpose Cash Assistance.
- 140K people to receive shelter support, including through refurbishments of 40 reception & collective centres.
- 400K people in collective sites to be supported by CCCM services.

*The targets are subject to the receipt of the funding requirements detailed below.

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Given the immense needs and the expanded scale and scope of the humanitarian response, UNHCR is urgently seeking $536.8 million to deliver assistance inside Ukraine in the revised Supplementary Appeal. (Excludes funding requirements for UNHCR’s asylum and statelessness programmes.)

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UNHCR's NGO partner Nehemia organized a quest dedicated to World Refugee day for 30 IDP children from all over Ukraine, Zakarpatska oblast, June 2022. © Nehemia