The situation in Ukraine remains volatile and extremely dangerous as the war entered its sixth month. Tremendous challenges are faced by civilians in areas that have experienced a dramatic increase in airstrikes and shelling over the last few days, particularly in the south of the country.

Following an earlier slight decrease in the total number of internally displaced persons in Ukraine, IOM estimates the number has once again grown to 6,645,000 IDPs in the country, largely fueled by new displacements in the East, South, and North of Ukraine.

UNHCR continues to deliver assistance and services as close as possible to the places where people are sheltering or have been displaced. UNHCR’s response has now reached nearly 1.6 million people with protection services, cash assistance and essential items to address immediate needs, and shelter support to provisionally repair damaged homes to protect people from the elements and improve conditions in reception and collective centres.

Responding to winterization needs in Ukraine is a key priority of the humanitarian response, helping people to cope with the onset of freezing temperatures. UNHCR will scale-up programmes that enable IDPs, conflict-affected persons and returnees to access safe, warm and dignified accommodation during the winter months.

While providing immediate relief to those fleeing, UNHCR is working closely with local and national actors to lay the groundwork for durable solutions and recovery and to ensure that our response is effectively reinforcing and complementing national systems. Enabling local sustainability will remain at the core of UNHCR’s way of working.
WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS:

House repair supports vulnerable families in Luhansk NGCA ahead of winter

Despite the challenging security situation in Luhansk NGCA (non-government controlled areas), UNHCR completed a shelter assistance project for vulnerable families living in Malonikolaevka village. With the replacement of around 1100 sqm of roofing and roofing structure damaged by shelling, almost 50 elderly and vulnerable persons in the two multistory houses are now able to live in improved conditions with a roof over their heads. This is especially critical in light of the upcoming winter to have warm and dignified accommodation.

Delivered by UNHCR and its NGO partners between 26 July and 1 August

- Following a call for support from the local authorities in communities expected to receive new IDPs from areas under military offensive, 500 NFI kits were prepositioned in Kirovohrad ska oblast to be distributed to the new arrivals.

- On 28 July, 200 emergency shelter kits were provided to repair dormitories hosting more than 300 IDPs in Dnipro affected by the missile strikes on 15 July. The blast destroyed all windows and caused significant damages to the roof of three IDP dormitories.

- 60 monitoring visits were conducted at the border crossing points with Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, Romania and Moldova. During the visits, more than 300 protection services were provided to persons of concern crossing the border including counselling, legal assistance, and social accompaniment.

- A new multi-purpose cash enrolment centre opened in Zhytomyr city on 25 July. Jointly with the Zhytomyr local authorities, an information campaign was launched to inform communities about the programme that will support vulnerable IDPs meet their basic needs.

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 nonfood items.

1.08M people to receive Multipurpose 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.

**FUNDING UPDATE | 2022**

UKRAINE as of 5 July 2022

$559.3 million

74% funded

Given the immense needs and the expanded scale and scope of the humanitarian response, UNHCR is continuing to seek support to deliver assistance inside Ukraine in the revised Supplementary Appeal.

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