To support local residents of the village of Prydniprovske, Dnipropetrovska oblast, who were affected by the hostilities, UNHCR partner NGO Humanitarian Mission Proliska provided emergency shelter kits to repair damaged houses. ©Proliska

KEY FIGURES:

- **4.32 million** people reached with UNHCR assistance in 2022 (24 February – 31 December 2022)
- **17.6 million** People in need of humanitarian assistance and protection in 2023 (source: OCHA)
- **11.1 million** People targeted for humanitarian assistance in the Humanitarian Response Plan
- **3.6 million** People aimed to be reached with 4.6 million services in 2023, some of whom will receive several forms of support**

OPERATIONAL CONTEXT:

- Hospitals and health workers have been impacted by shelling in areas along the front lines. On 10 April, a hospital in the city of Kherson was damaged after being hit. On 7 April, at least two health workers were reportedly injured after an ambulance on call came under shelling in Beryslav town, in an area under Ukrainian control in Khersonska oblast.
- As of 18 April, OHCHR recorded 22,904 civilian casualties since Russia’s invasion of Ukraine: 8,534 killed and 14,370 injured. This includes 765 civilian casualties recorded in March 2023.
- On 13 April, the IAEA Director General stated that dependence of Ukraine’s Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant on a single functioning power line for external electricity poses a major risk to nuclear safety and security amid signs of continued military activity in the southern region.
- Significant numbers of air and missile strikes continued. A missile strike on Sloviansk killed at least eight civilians on 14 April. The Ministry of Defence of Ukraine informed that the threat from Russia of launching further missile and air strikes across Ukraine remains high and noted that the fiercest battles are fought for Bakhmut and Mar’inka.

WORKING WITH PARTNERS:

**2023 RESPONSE in NUMBERS**:

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**People Reached**: 957,359

Reached figures are subject to data cleaning and retro-active corrections may occur.

*In alignment with the humanitarian inter-agency and cluster reporting systems and frequency established by OCHA for 2023, UNHCR and partners will publish response figures in full on a monthly basis. Narrative updates and figures on selected indicators will be published on a biweekly basis.*
UNHCR continues to deliver emergency shelter assistance to people in areas directly impacted by shelling and attacks. Over the past two weeks, UNHCR’s NGO partner the Tenth of April delivered 364 Emergency Shelter Kits to Mykolaivska and Odeska oblasts.

UNHCR is increasingly gearing its programmes towards durable solutions and supporting people to remain in, or return to their own home and community, where possible. UNHCR completed installations of 14 prefabricated core homes in Kyivska oblast, for families whose houses were fully destroyed. In addition, 10,732 houses have been repaired to date, including 5,297 houses since the start of 2023.

UNHCR held a coordination meeting in Uzhhorod with all humanitarian actors to present its new strategy for supporting housing solutions for IDPs in the Zakarpatska oblast. The main purpose of the meeting was to share the concerns related to IDPs’ lack of security of tenure, and propose actions for collective engagement, including advocacy/support for the expansion of the social housing stock. The proposal was highly welcomed by the humanitarian community and UNHCR will now lead discussions with the local authorities for a joint plan of action.

On 5 April, UNHCR joined an inter-agency convoy that reached 3,900 people in the community of Toretsk in Donetska oblast with critical items such as hygiene kits, NFIs, food and medical supplies. On 7 April, UNHCR joined another convoy, reaching 5,500 people in Kurakhove, Donetska oblast.

On 12 April, as part of an interagency convoy, UNHCR delivered 3,300 items to heavily affected communities close to the frontline in Stepnohirsk in Zaporizka oblast.

Since the start of the full-scale invasion in February 2022, UNHCR has delivered life-saving assistance through a total of 865 humanitarian convoys, including 64 interagency convoys.
IDP psychologist helps people overcome their trauma of displacement

Yaroslava Palchyk, a displaced person and psychologist from UNHCR’s local partner Charitable Foundation Rokada helps parents and their children adapt to their new lives and overcome fears and cope with stress, and teaches parents how to talk with children about war.

“To all of those, who were forced to flee, who lost their homes and are trying to find themselves in a new place: do not be afraid of changes, do not lose faith in your own future, value and preserve your life,” said Yaroslava.

Before the full-scale invasion, Yaroslava worked as a child psychologist and had her own physical rehabilitation office. She spent 12 years helping children with cerebral palsy. When Russian troops invaded her town, Bucha, a mere damaged building was all that remained of her life-long job.

Read her full story here

Protection

- **Coordination:** The UNHCR-led Protection Cluster launched the online [Services Advisor Platform](#), with information on humanitarian aid/services provided by humanitarian actors. Over 300 participants from 105 NGOs and UN agencies were trained ahead of the platform’s launch.

- **Psychosocial Support:** Psychological support continues to be in great demand by people affected by the war and UNHCR’s partners provide support to individuals and groups across Ukraine. Following the missile strike on Slovansk on 14 April, UNHCR NGO partner Proliska provided psychosocial support to people affected, in addition to emergency shelter materials and NFIs.

- **Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA):** As part of its efforts related to PSEA, UNHCR conducted a four-day training of trainers (TOT) on prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse, targeting both UNHCR staff and local partners. The TOT was aimed to build the capacity of staff and of local organizations, and support their implementation of PSEA trainings to different audiences as well as information sessions and community consultations on PSEA. UNHCR Ukraine currently has 20 PSEA focal points among the staff, and our partners have at least one focal point each, who together are being supported to expand PSEA outreach across the country.

- **Community groups:** UNHCR and its partners continued to capacitate community groups and organizations to identify and address local needs. In Kirovohradska oblast, UNHCR’s partner the Tenth of April worked with 11 community groups and organizations on forming community development strategies and psychological flexibility.

- **Legal assistance:** UNHCR's partners continued to provide legal counselling and assistance, including on housing, land, and property rights and compensation. In Vinnytsia region, Right to Protection provided 147 consultations on legal issues and in the Dnipro area, Right to Protection provided 248 legal consultations. Key concerns included social payments, housing, and documentation of damaged property.
Integrating displaced youth in the social life of the host community

On 7 April, a Youth Centre was opened in Tyachiv, Zakarpatska oblast by UNHCR’s local NGO partner Neeka and First Deputy Mayor of Tyachiv, to foster social cohesion between displaced people and host communities. The Tyachiv Youth Council will implement activities such as trainings on project applications and the project management cycle, language clubs, and movie nights. The centre will also offer support with courses on professional development, as well as opening spaces for networking and implementation of joint activities with the community.

Given the immense humanitarian needs, UNHCR continues to seek support to deliver assistance inside Ukraine in the 2023 Supplementary Appeal.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
- Visit Ukraine’s Operational Data Portal for more information products here.
- UNHCR’s Regional Flash Update on the Ukraine situation can be found here.
- Ukraine Protection Cluster Response Dashboard can be found here.
- CCCM Cluster Collective Sites Mapping here.
- Shelter Cluster Response Dashboard here.

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