

# Conflict in Ukraine

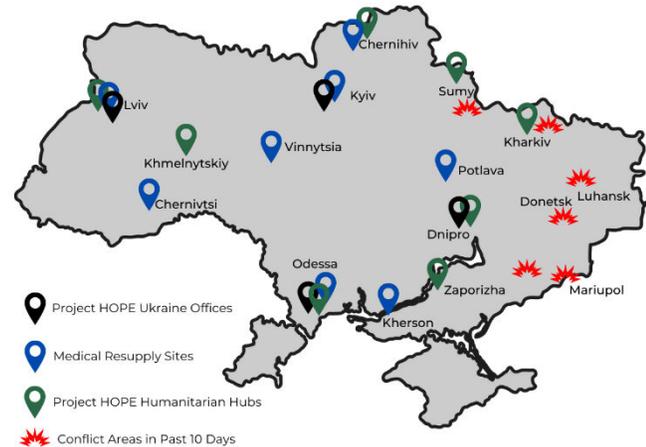
## Situation Report #22

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### KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- Project HOPE has launched multiple mobile medical units (MMUs) in Ukraine to provide primary health care to populations impacted by the violence.
- Project HOPE has completed multiple rehabilitations of medical facilities in Ukraine and has begun several other reconstruction projects to reinstate health services to the population.
- As the Russia-Ukraine war enters its 112th day, battles are still raging in the twin cities of Severodonetsk and Lysychansk in eastern Ukraine.
- Russia's invasion of Ukraine has created 7.5 million refugees<sup>i</sup>



### SITUATION OVERVIEW

The twin cities of Severodonetsk and Lysychansk continue to be the epicenter of fighting in Luhansk oblast in eastern Ukraine. Intense hostilities have been ongoing for the past three months, leading to large-scale destruction of infrastructure and residential buildings alike, cutting off access to electricity, gas and water. Russia also bombed the Azot chemical plant where an estimated 800 civilians are hiding in the underground bomb shelter at the plant<sup>ii</sup>.

Russia's invasion of Ukraine has already created **7.5 million refugees**, according to the latest reports. The UNHCR (United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees) estimates there are at least **4.8 million refugees** present across Europe, and over **3.2 million refugees** from Ukraine have registered for temporary protection or similar national protection schemes in Europe<sup>iii</sup>. Based on the IOM Displacement tracking matrix<sup>iv</sup>, there are **1.1 million internally displaced people in Ukraine**, most of whom have been displaced from Donetska, Kyivska, Luhanska, and Kharkivska oblasts.

### HUMANITARIAN NEEDS

Ukraine's already stressed health care system is buckling as people continue fleeing conflict areas seeking safety. More than **1.4 million people** are without running water across eastern Ukraine, while UNOCHA reports an additional **4.6 million people** in the country are at risk of losing access to running water, causing a growing risk of water-borne diseases such as acute watery diarrhea. Lack of electricity makes effective water treatment impossible<sup>v</sup>. Meanwhile, more than **295 health care facilities** across Ukraine have been damaged or destroyed during the conflict, according to the World Health Organization<sup>vi</sup>. These attacks have decimated access to health care at a time when people need it most: women have been forced to deliver babies in basements, injured people have had no access to care, and ill children have lost access to lifesaving treatments.

More than 7.5 million people remain displaced by the war within Ukraine and 15.7 million people are estimated to urgently require humanitarian assistance, protection, and mental health support as almost all Ukrainian refugees arriving in neighboring countries are women,

children, and older people. There is a high level of distress, and family separation has resulted in large numbers of unaccompanied and separated children and single parents. The risks of gender-based violence, abuse, and mental health violations are multiplied.

Across Ukraine, many older people remain within their homes, many in areas of intense fighting. They need access to shelter, food, water, medicines, emotional support, and access to their pensions, even though these fall short in covering their basic needs. A new survey from HelpAge International in western and central Ukraine offers an insight into the challenges and specific needs of displaced people over 60<sup>vii</sup>. Almost **nine out of 10** older people (89%) have a health condition, including hypertension (57%), heart problems (50%), joint aches and pains (41%) and gastro-intestinal issues (20%); 71% of those with a health condition have more than one.

## PROJECT HOPE RESPONSE

Project HOPE continues to implement a highly coordinated, comprehensive humanitarian intervention in Ukraine and neighboring countries. Emergency programming in Ukraine focuses support to local primary and secondary health facilities through essential medical equipment and supplies. The refugee responses in Moldova, Poland, and Romania have identified local partners to target gaps in essential services, including primary health, mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS), and protection.

In all locations, Project HOPE continues to work closely with government officials, local partners, and coordination clusters to ensure efforts address most pressing needs.

### Project HOPE's activities inside Ukraine:

- Project HOPE delivered a **Neurosurgical Microscope (worth \$115,000)** to the **Multidisciplinary Hospital № 18 in Kharkiv**.
- Project HOPE delivered **302 pallets (worth \$6.5 million)** to hospitals in need inside Ukraine. The pallets included **medicines, medical supplies, insulin, needles, hygiene kits, emergency health kits, surgical kits, and children kits**.
- Project HOPE delivered **22 pallets of sutures** to **Lviv Children's Hospital**.
- An additional **pallet that included 3,000 packets of cancer medication** was delivered to **Kharkiv Hospital**.
- The team has engaged a **local pharmaceutical company to provide key medicines free of charge** to **Ministry of Health of Ukraine**.
- Project HOPE is launching **three Mobile Medical Units (MMU)** to provide primary health care in the **Dnipro (1) and Zaporija areas (2)**.
- Project HOPE's **Medical Team** continues to **provide training for "Orthopedic Management of Ballistic Fractures"** in **Lviv Hospital**. The Trauma training course has been conducted for **125 trauma surgeons and students** in different health facilities in Ukraine (activity is still going on).
- Project HOPE has completed multiple reconstruction projects in hospitals in **Irpın and Bucha cities** (external rehabilitation works/windows replacement). The team continues to expand these activities to several facilities in **Borodyanka municipality** (including a kindergarten, municipal pharmacy, and hospital heating system), a hospital in **Zagalci village**, a clinic in **Dmitrovka village**, and **Psychoneurological hospital in Chernihiv city**.
- Project HOPE is planning to deliver **17 generators (each with the capacity to run a hospital)** to hospitals **Kyiv, Kharkiv, Kropyvnytskyi, Mykolaiv, Kherson, Chernivtsi, Odessa and Zaporizhzhia**.

### Project HOPE's activities in Moldova:

- Project HOPE supported SAMU's Emergency Medical Team, which is one of six EMTs operating in the country per the request of the Ministry of Health of Moldova and the



*Romanian volunteer doctors receiving medicines delivered by Project HOPE to the Heart Institute in Kiev, Ukraine*

World Health Organization office in Chisinau. SAMU's EMT is the only team providing services to Ukrainian refugees in the city of Chisinau. The EMT has provided emergency and ongoing medical services and medications to around **1,800 refugees, mainly children, women, and elderly refugees.**

- Project HOPE provided a **grant of \$260,000** to a local NGO, **The Moldova Project (TMP)**, aiming to increase the support provided to refugee children and their parents, by implementing integrated measures of education and creating safe spaces (play rooms) for development in Chişinău, Anenii Noi, Călăraşi, Cimişlia, Criuleni and Hânceşti districts. TMP will **establish 10 new play rooms and equip two existing ones where it will provide mental health services, parental education, and psychosocial counseling services to 700 refugee children and 500 parents and caregivers.**
- Project HOPE delivered **86,500 insulin pens (worth \$310,000) and 45 Interagency Emergency Health Kits (IEHK) (worth \$22,000)** to the Ministry of Health in Moldova.
- Another **2,160 hygienic kits** were delivered to the **Ministry of Labor and Social Protection** for distribution to **shelters, women and child centers, and other facilities**
- Project HOPE delivered **500 sleeping pads** to refugee shelters (**worth \$11,500**).

#### Project HOPE's activities in Poland:

- Project HOPE's team has provided a **\$300,000 grant to University Children's Hospital-Krakow (UCH)** to support their Ukrainian children's ward and is exploring mental health programming with the hospital. To date, the UCH has seen and treated **2,053 children from Ukrainian refugee families.**
- In addition to the grant, Project HOPE purchased medical equipment for UCH at a cost of **\$98,000.**
- Project HOPE also provided a **\$425,000 grant to local NGO Podkarpackie Stowarzyszenie dla Aktywnych Rodzin (PSAR)** for provision of **mental health support** to Ukrainian refugees, specifically women and children in **Rzeszow.**



*Meeting with a Polish explorer Marek Kaminski who claimed North and the South Pole in one year without outside assistance and his bilingual robot Boa within Mental Health activity for Ukrainian children in the partner's play space in Rzeszow, Poland*

#### Project HOPE's activities in Romania:

- Project HOPE's team in Romania is set to start providing assistance to Brasov and Constanta cities. Brasov and Constanta were identified by the UNHCR team in Romania as centers of high numbers of newly incoming Ukrainian refugees.
- Project HOPE continues its financial and technical support to three local NGOs (**Estuar Foundation, ICAR and Jesuit Refugee Services**), providing vital health and mental health care to refugees.

Project HOPE's teams in Ukraine, Poland, Romania, and Moldova continue to closely monitor the situation as it unfolds in order to adapt their response accordingly.

<sup>i</sup> [UNHCR Operational Data Portal](#)

<sup>ii</sup> [BBC- Ukraine war: Chemical plant hit as fighting rages in Severodonetsk](#)

<sup>iii</sup> [UNHCR-Ukraine Situation Update Report](#)

<sup>iv</sup> [IOM Displacement Tracking Matrix](#)

<sup>v</sup> [UNOCHA Ukraine Report](#)

<sup>vi</sup> [WHO SSA Data](#)

<sup>vii</sup> [HAI Ukraine: rapid needs assessment of displaced older people](#)

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