

# Changing lives



AUSTRALIAN FEDERATIONS OF UKRAINIAN ORGANISATONS
HUMANITARIAN AID INITIATIVES COMMITTEE

INTERNATIONAL COORDINATION OF MEDICAL AID FOR UKRAINE







UKRAINE CRISIS APPEAL | UHELP | UKRAINE CRISIS APPEAL RESETTLEMENT All three funds are managed by the Australian Federation of Ukrainian Organisations and administered by the Humanitarian Aid Initiative Committee.

The fund is driven by the **Humanitarian Aid Initiatives Committee (HAIC).** A dedicated group of volunteers around Australia who give their time freely and unrestricted to raise awareness and much-needed funds for humanitarian aid that changes the life of a child, teen, or adult and makes the next day a little brighter than the last.

#### The current committee members are:

NSW Sonia Keda, Olga Voronina

SA Iryna Kwasniuk

WA Mykola Mowczan, Roma Popadynec

QLD Peter Bongiorni
CHAIR Darka Senko
TREASURER Dan Wolody
SECRETARY Lily Semciw

#### **PROJECT PARTNERS**

ROTARY AUSTRALIA WORLD COMMUNITY SERVICES, ROTARY CLUB KYIV INTERNATIONAL, CARITAS UKRAINE, UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY, CURTIN UNIVERSITY WA and the

#### AFUO INTERNATIONAL COORDINATION OF MEDICAL AID FOR UKRAINE (ICMAU)

**Current committee** Chair: Dr Lesia Paslawsky, Dr Stephen Duma, Dr Elizabeth Grist, Teresa Lachowicz, Bohdan Lesiw, Dr Marie Rostek, Tetyana Smith and Nikki Woloszuk.

### Humanitarian Aid Initiative Committee's Mission Creating a better tomorrow!

- Develop life-changing programs and or assistance for the crisis-affected civilian and veteran population in Ukraine and new arrivals in Australia
- Provide programs that ease suffering in Ukraine and for new arrivals in Australia, upskill Ukrainians to promote self-sufficiency and improve quality of life
- Monitor crisis recovery assistance required in Australia & create one-off appeals when deemed necessary
- Provide National foundations for all donations by Australian Ukrainians for worthy causes. Securing the total financial support provided by Australian Ukrainians
- Develop well-planned projects, with KPIs, closely supervised and monitored
- Assure monies and results are 100% transparent & reported

### The Humanitarian Aid Initiatives Committee (HAIC) in action:

- Coordinate and fundraise across Australia. produce marketing materials, promote all funds and create awareness of needs and urgency
- Establish needs in Ukraine & for our new arrivals in Australia, source solutions, and establish programs to satisfy identified needs
- Complete due diligence on all projects, requests & assistance. Manage all projects
- Work closely and take advice from AFUO International Coordination of Medical Aid for Ukraine committee on medical requirements in Ukraine
- AFUO HAIC Chair makes project recommendation to the AFUO board for sanctioning and authorisation of funding and then request RAWCS or Dnister to release the donated funds to finance the nominated project or aid

HAIC meetings are held at least monthly. Weekly meetings are held with project managers in Ukraine and stakeholders to track progress and assure the projects still satisfy current needs.

Our RAWCS partners collaborate closely with us and provide advice and support on programs.

## Australian Federation of Ukrainian Organisations Funds

#### **UKRAINE CRISIS APPEAL**

Donations are Tax-Deductible \$7,323,890 raised since 24.2.2022

Was established by the AFUO in 2015 in response to Russia's 2014 invasion and constant war in Ukraine partnering with Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS) and Caritas Ukraine. Prior to February 2022 the Appeal raised over \$400,000 and delivered specialised programs and assistance for 100's of crisis-affected children, civilians, the elderly, and veterans in Ukraine bringing them hope and making their lives better.

Since February 24th, 2022, the intensified war is ravaging Ukraine, funds are used to provide emergency assistance to Ukrainian children, women, men, and the elderly. They are injured, displaced, orphaned and in need of urgent medical aid, shelter, clean water, food, and clothing to protect them from the elements, as well require expert trauma care.

There are currently close to one million Ukrainians without shelter. If this problem is not resolved, they will die this winter of hypothermia and other illnesses.

The Ukraine Crisis Appeal partnering with Rotary Club Kyiv International, and Caritas Ukraine has funded the refurbishment of 16 shelters across Ukraine providing shelter for 7,600 people. We hope to establish another three before year-end.

As well, 172 pallets of lifesaving medical and surgical equipment valued at \$23 million dollars have been organised and shipped to Ukraine by ICMAU.

An allocation of \$15,000 was also made available in 2022 and distributed in multiple small grants to assist individuals in Ukraine.







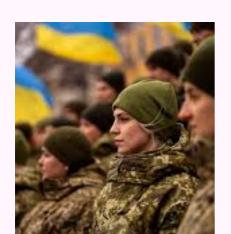




## Australian Federation of Ukrainian Organisations Funds

#### **UHELP**

non-tax-deductible donations \$549.761 raised since 24.2.2022



U-Help, defenders of Ukraine fund was formed by the Australian Federation of Ukrainian Organisations (AFUO) in 2015 in response to Russia's 2014 invasion of Ukraine.

It was established to provide emergency lifesaving equipment for hospitals and the Defenders of Ukraine.

It continues to provide support to the territorial civilian forces defending Ukraine and world peace.

#### **U-HELP currently funds:**

- clean drinking water
- food
- medical supplies
- individual first aid kits
- thermal underwear
- socks
- clothing
- tourniquets
- fuel
- night-vision goggles
- protective equipment
- helmets
- protective vests
- vital communication system
- off-road vehicles
- non-lethal drones to Ukraine's territorial forces.



An allocation of \$65,000 was made available in 2022 and distributed in multiple small grants to help and support immediate family members of the Ukrainian community across Australia that are fighting on the ground in Ukraine.

## Australian Federation of Ukrainian Organisations Funds

**UKRAINE CRISIS APPEAL RESETTLEMENT FUND** 

Tax-Deductible

\$502,948 raised since 24.2.2022

Was formed by the Australian Federation of Ukrainian Organisations (AFUO) in 2022 in response to Russia's expanded invasion of Ukraine. It was established to provide support to Ukrainians resettling in Australia.

Its aim is to help bridge the gap in:

- emergency medical assistance
- emergency financial support
- community integration
- English language courses
- home setup
- seminars on health, business, etc.
- entering the Australian workforce
- children's programs, retreats and camps.
- life skills, swimming, first aid, driving lessons.

The fund is currently distributing \$300,000 (which includes the \$100,000 grant from BUPA) at \$300pp to our recent arrivals from Ukraine to support the cost of their BUPA health check required for a 786 visa.

### Donations

Since February 24, 2022, with the generosity of our Ukrainian and Australian communities, we have raised a

Total of **\$8,376,599** 

A donation of any amount will help to change a life

**TAX-DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS** – are collected by our partners Rotary Australia World Community Services www.ukrainecrisisappeal.org

**NON TAX-DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS** are collected by Dnister Credit Union







