

NOVA
UKRAINE



Impact Report

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Your Impact to Date

Thanks to donors like you, we have spent \$25.4M on delivering aid to Ukraine. (As of July 20, 2022.)



5,315+
Tons of Aid
Delivered



1,774,600+
Meals Served



51,000+
Evacuated



3,500+
Volunteers
in Ukraine



313,900+
Aid Packages
Delivered



2,378,000+
People Helped

Medical Deliveries

Thanks to a generous grant from Pioneer Natural Resources, our medical team was able to deliver more equipment than ever.



A \$2 million grant from Pioneer Natural Resources paid for over 102 pieces of advanced medical equipment, including anesthesia machines, angiograms, portable X-rays, and others, as well as \$700,000 worth of medication. The equipment was purchased and delivered in the past month.

At Mechnikov Hospital in Dnipro – one of the largest medical institutions in Ukraine, and situated closest to the front lines – doctors treat the largest volume and most extensive war injuries in the eastern parts of Ukraine. Anesthesia machines make life-saving surgeries possible and comfortable for patients.

Medical Equipment

398 Wound VACs Delivered

141 Power Stations Purchased

102 Portable Ultrasound Machines Purchased

71 Ventilators Purchased

27 Portable X-Ray Machines Purchased

12 Ambulances Delivered

6 Surgical Microscopes Purchased



In Lviv, a lack of X-ray machines leads to preventable deaths. Several hospitals in the area share the use of a single Angiogram machine – a type of X-ray machine used to visualize blood vessels.

The delay in imaging costs lives in a hospital system already overwhelmed by a large influx of patients due to the war.

According to our estimates, at a total of 100 Angiograms and 1,000 anesthesia machines would meet the medical needs of the whole country.

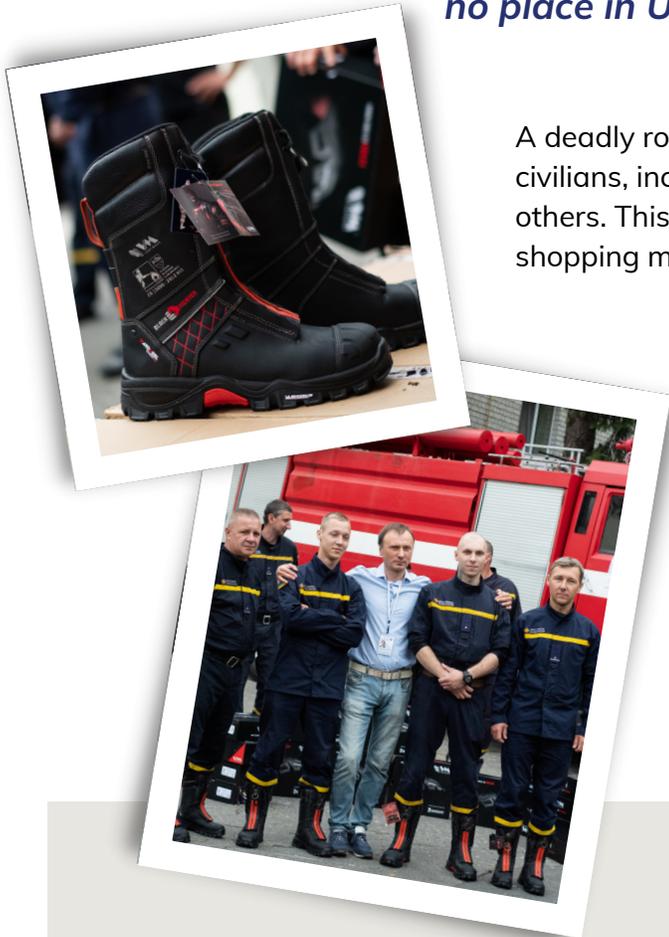
First Responders

Two deadly attacks in just two weeks have demonstrated that no place in Ukraine is safe today. Our support of first responders is more critical than ever.

A deadly rocket strike on an office park in Vynnytsia killed 24 civilians, including 3 children, and maimed as many as 70 others. This attack came just 2 weeks after a similar strike on a shopping mall in Kremenchuk which killed 21 civilians.

Both cities are in central Ukraine – over 200 miles from the front lines of the war. As Russia escalates war activities targeting civilian population centers, the work of first responders in Ukraine is more critical now than ever.

Nova Ukraine is committed to shipping and distributing any equipment donation bound for first responders in Ukraine.



Delivering Equipment to First Responders

The city of San Jose, California, donated over \$1.6 million dollars worth of firefighting equipment to Nova Ukraine, which handled the delivery and distribution of the equipment to firefighters and first responders across Ukraine.



The city plans to send 373 self-contained breathing apparatus air packs, 600 mask-mounted regulators, 183 air cylinders and several hundred self-contained breathing apparatus masks to Nova Ukraine and Firefighter Air Ukraine.

PROJECT HIGHLIGHT

PROVIDING AID TO OCCUPIED KHERSON

It is difficult to overestimate the desperation that has gripped Kherson since the occupation on March 1.

Hundreds of civilians have been killed. Residents have experienced looting, kidnapping, torture and rape under Russian occupation. The city is cut off from supplies.

Local volunteers have played a vital role in helping those in most dire need. **Thanks to your support and the bravery of volunteers on the ground, Nova Ukraine has provided crucial aid** to the Kherson residents.

“The support provided to Ukrainians in Kherson is critical,” said one of our volunteers. **“Every day of life under occupation robs us of hope a bit more. But we have come to understand that we’re not alone. ...Every little bit of help goes a long way. Every package delivered to us makes a big difference for the people of Kherson. Please, don’t ever abandon us.”**



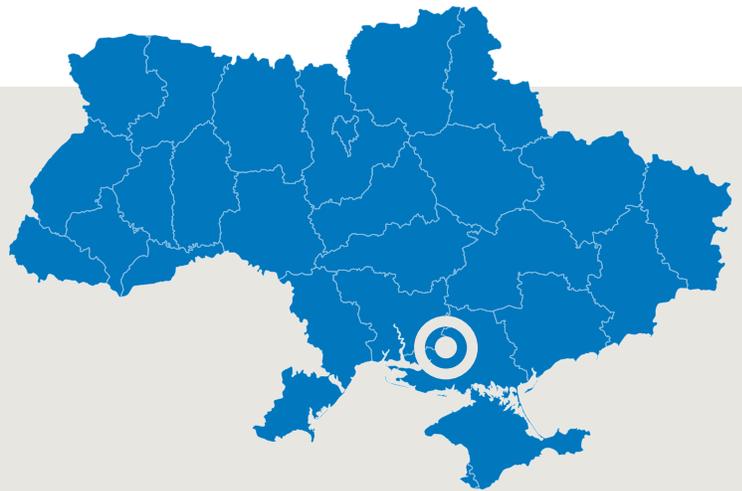
7,240
People
Helped



1,853
Food
Packages



31
Trips through
Southern Ukraine



Because of its strategic location near Crimea, **Kherson was the first major city to fall to Russian occupation** and remains occupied to this day.



Anton (left) with his family. Anton was killed by sniper fire while evacuating civilians.

RISKING THEIR LIVES FOR OTHERS

In addition to providing humanitarian assistance, volunteers also help evacuate residents. To do that, volunteers put their lives on the line. Last month, our local partner Mysto City reported that a volunteer who helped evacuate more than 100 people was killed by a Russian sniper during an evacuation. A local businessman before the war, 43-year-old Anton Kushnir was driving at the head of an evacuation column of cars when a sniper took his life.

Refugee Support

Refugees need your support now to secure their future and maintain hope.

REFUGEES IN THE US DEAL WITH HOUSING WOES

More than 70,000 Ukrainians are estimated to have arrived in the United States since March. But arrivals face severe challenges - they wait several months for approval of work authorization, and lack credit history for apartment rentals, as well as dealing with record high housing prices due to inflation and housing shortages. Nova Ukraine is helping the most vulnerable arrivals find supportive housing by recruiting host families who are willing to open their homes to refugees.

NAVIGATING SERVICES IN THE USA

Arrivals under the Uniting for Ukraine are eligible to receive federal benefits such as Medical, food stamps, and cash assistance. But the application process is complex and varies by county and state. Nova Ukraine volunteers help arrivals apply for benefits, and prepare their documents for submission.

REFUGEE PORTAL

We continue to maintain resources for newly arrived refugees on our portal: refugees.novaukraine.org.

Connecting Refugees with Hosts in the US

In the beginning of June, I began to host Tetiana and her 5 year old daughter, Polina. They are both lovely and hosting them has been a great gift to me to have them here. It was a great joy to hear a sweet 5 year old voice giggling and even fussing in my home as young children do. — *Judy opened her home to refugees*



We spent 6 weeks looking for housing, but we could not find a landlord to rent to us without credit and rental history. When our temporary housing ran out, we still had not found anything. But then a miracle happened, Ekaterina from Nova Ukraine called and offered to move to Davis. We are very happy living here. — *Anna, with her husband and 4 children*



21,000+

Housing Vouchers Issued



328

Families Housed
by host families in the
USA



121

Families Received Direct
Financial Support



Internally Displaced People

Many displaced Ukrainians are reliant on, and are comforted by, your ongoing support and the work of our partners.



COMPUTERS FOR STUDENTS

Thanks to NU partnership with Computers 2 Kids, orphans evacuated from Odesa to Poland received personal laptops for study and fun.

The hotel they are staying in provided them with a dedicated entry room converted into a computer lab and classroom. Now the kids can resume online schooling! Some were supposed to graduate this year, but the war has disrupted their studies. Now they have a chance to catch up and graduate!



WATER FOR MYKOLAIV

The water systems in the southern cities of Ukraine were damaged by Russian shelling, and active fighting in the area makes repairs impossible. Thanks to your donations volunteers have dug two operational water wells in Mykolaiv, and tested the water to make sure it is safe to drink.

They now distribute the water to residents from a local source, and deliver large barrels of water to residents who live full time in makeshift bomb shelters.

Supporting Food Producers in Ukraine

Thanks to your support, our partner TM Amina was able to produce and distribute:



80,000+
Kg of Flour



25,000+
Kg of Pasta



10,000+
Kg of Cookies

PROJECT HIGHLIGHT

FROM KYIV TO SAN FRANCISCO

When circumstances became too desperate for Natalia and her family to stay in Ukraine, volunteers and donors made her journey to safety possible.

Natalia Chernysh never intended to leave Ukraine and become a refugee. After the Russians invaded Ukraine, Natalia, her daughter and father sat tight for a full month, hiding in a bomb shelter in the outskirts of Kyiv, in a neighborhood bordering Bucha.

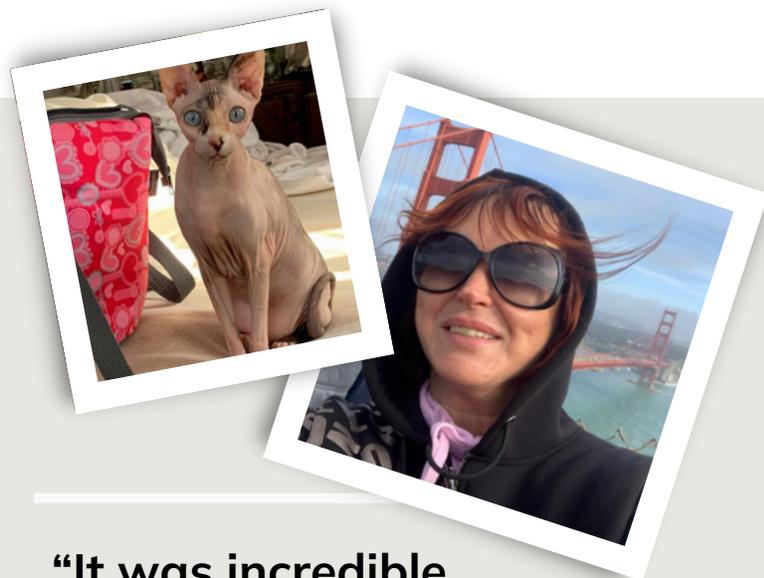
But then the fighting came closer and closer to their home. The last straw was when a cruise missile destroyed a nearby shopping center where her daughter used to work before the war.

In Search of Safety

Natalia packed her daughter, father, their two cats and a dog in her car and began a long, harrowing, convoluted, and often perilous journey — first through active war zones and eventually to Lviv and then Poland.

She hoped to stay in Poland, but Warsaw and Krakow were both overcrowded and overrun with Ukrainian refugees.

Natalia and her family decided to leave Europe and try to make it to the United States. In the process they had to leave their beloved dog behind, since they found no way to transport him.



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“We flew with a heavy heart and tears through Paris, Mexico City, Tijuana, and finally to the border with the United States.”

Complications at the Border

By the time she made it to the border crossing, however, Natalia’s will to carry on began to wane. Her savings were gone and her father was sick on the road. But for the volunteers who helped them – first in Tijuana, and then Nova Ukraine here – Natalia may have given up altogether.

“We didn’t have the strength to carry on and keep fighting,” she said. “It was incredible to feel the warmth these volunteers showed us. For the rest of our lives we will be grateful to them.”

New Challenges

Once they arrived in San Francisco, Natalia's family faced a whole new set of hurdles. They could not afford the astronomical housing prices in California. Nor did they have money for necessities such as hearing aids for her father, driving lessons, or the \$820 application fee for a work permit. They were even denied food stamps.

Natalia seemed to have reached the end of her rope yet again. "I'm trying to look for a way to get by and can't find it," she said. "I can't do everything. If we are denied a work permit ... I'm afraid to even imagine."

"I feel good knowing that I am helping them kickstart a new life here."

Hope for a New Life

Fortunately for her, Nova Ukraine stepped in. First we secured emergency housing for Natalia and her family for a period of three months, until she can get settled and find work.

Then, through our Adopt-a-Family program, we put Natalia in touch with a generous donor. The contribution she received went toward basic necessities: food for the family and the cats, a hearing aid for her father, and various application fees.

"We feel infinite gratitude for the material assistance we received from your program and the generous donors that helped us," Natalia wrote in her thank-you note. "We are touched and grateful for this compassion and generosity."

Donors Make This Happen

The programs helping Natalia are possible only thanks to the gift of our generous donors. Thanks to our donors and hosts,

While Natalia is still figuring out her next steps, she at least knows she has a roof over her head, care for her father, and the support of donors and volunteers every step of the way.

Many more families need your help. The war in Ukraine has upturns millions of lives. You can make a family's transition better.

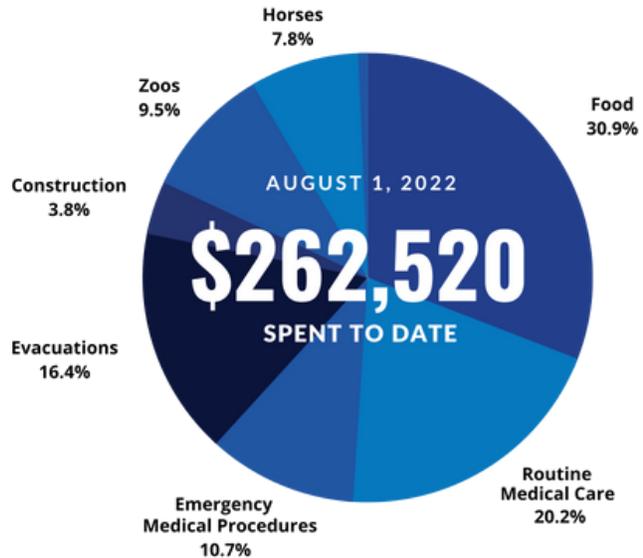
Consider financially supporting a family through our Adopt-a-Family, or opening your home to refugees.



Animal Welfare

As the war rages in Ukraine, animals have been caught in the crossfire.

Nova Ukraine is currently supporting several animal welfare organizations who are caring for injured animals across the country.



Spending to date by animals initiative. Funds are allocated to shelters, medical care for animals, as well as zoos and horse sanctuaries.

RESCUE FOR AN INJURED PUP

Ars was wounded in the chest by shrapnel on the outskirts of Kharkiv. At the vet he was also diagnosed with babesiosis, a tick-borne disease, and a broken front paw. He has received treatment and is recovering at the shelter. He loves to play with the younger pups, and despite his horrific history, he loves attention and belly rubs while being told how wonderful he is. We can't wait to see him fully recovered and adopted!

FEEDING HORSES IN KHARKIV

Thanks to our supporters and volunteers, the equestrian club Subaru in the war-torn city of Kharkiv now has enough hay to feed the horses for the entire year.



2,700+
Animals
Evacuated



1,235+
Animal Surgeries
Performed



21,000+
Animals
Helped



