

Ukraine Emergency Response Situation Report

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Introduction

Country/Location: Ukraine

Title of Emergency: War- Responding to humanitarian crisis in Ukraine

Dates covered by report: March 20 – March 26, 2022

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General overview (For External Use)

According to OCHA, since 24 February, around 10.2 million people have been forcibly displaced – roughly, a quarter of the Ukrainian population – with the number of people moving across international borders surpassing 3.7 million.

[Ukraine: 2022 Flash Appeal Funding Snapshot \(as of 24 March 2022\) - Ukraine | ReliefWeb](#)

[Ukraine: Humanitarian Impact Situation Report \(As of 12:00 p.m. \(EET\) on 25 March 2022\) - Ukraine | ReliefWeb](#)

Overview of ChildFund Response (For External Use)

ChildFund Alliance issued a [Ukraine Crisis: Regional Response Plan](#) on March 18, 2022. The plan outlines the response activity for ChildFund Deutschland's partners in Ukraine and WeWorld's refugee response in Moldova, as follows:

1. Supporting children and families who have become Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) through the distribution of medicine, food and basic items to families in shelters. This includes financial transfers to Ukrainian supermarkets to distribute food and other basic items.
2. Education, Mental Health and Psycho-Social Support (MHPSS) to Children.
3. Support to refugees who have crossed over to Moldova.
4. Global Advocacy and Lobbying.

ChildFund Deutschland's Response Program

Please refer to Sitreps #1-6 for information on ChildFund Deutschland's response to the crisis in Ukraine. These Sitreps are on the ChildFund Alliance [member's only](#) website.

First Version – 25 February 2022; Second Version – 28 February 2022; Third Version – 4 March 2022; Fourth Version – 9 March 2022; Fifth Version – 15 March 2022; Sixth Version – 21 March 2022.

During the week of **March 20-26**, ChildFund Deutschland's partner organizations undertook the following activities:

- Opened two hubs for distribution of relief goods; these hubs are open and operational (in **Cherkasy and Rivne**). The partners are mainly collecting and distributing food.
- In Lysychansk, **1,570 children** received hygiene products.
- In Pyryatyn (Region Poltava), **37 children** received hygiene products.
- In Kyiv, **71 children** received food, hygiene products and medicine.
- In three small cities in the Region Volhynia **176 children** received food, baby food and hygiene products.
- In Chernivtsi, **62 children** received food, baby food and hygiene products.
- In Vyshhorod, **78 children** got food, baby food and hygiene products.
- In Cherkasy, **42 children** received food, baby food and hygiene products.
- In Troitskoye (Luhansk Region), **260 children** received food and baby food
- In Vorokhta (Region Ivano-Frankivsk), **160 children** received food and baby food.
- In Sloviansk, **3 children** received urgently needed medicine.
- Altogether **77 children** participated in the art therapy (in various locations in South Western Ukraine)
- In Cherson, **83 families** with children received cash support into their banking accounts. Five of these families are hosting orphaned children; three of these families have children with a disability.
- The support program for children with disabilities in various cities continued.
- ChildFund purchased a mini-bus for one partner organization allowing them to transport food and other relief items (instead of using private cars).

Supplies are becoming limited and the biggest problem is the unavailability of medicine and medical equipment. In addition, with the ongoing fighting, it is getting more and more difficult to buy food in the cities. Food has to be often transported long distances, which is very risky while the fighting is ongoing.

In hospitals, orphanages and IDP camps, **beds, mattresses, blankets and hygiene products** are in urgent need. In addition to food and medicine, they are the most urgent requirement.

Response of Government, UN and other Agencies

For more information on the government, UN Partners and other agencies, please see below links to Sitreps on the crisis in Ukraine:

[UNICEF Ukraine Humanitarian Situation Report No. 5, 17 - 23 March 2022 - Ukraine | ReliefWeb](#)

[WFP Ukraine and Neighboring Countries External Situation Report, 25 March 2022.pdf \(reliefweb.int\)](#)

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1. Security & logistics

On Monday 07/03, WeWorld emergency deployed two members of their emergency team: one to Poland and inside Ukraine; and another one to Berlin. Another staff will be deployed to Moldova at a later point.

Three days of backstopping coordination in Berlin were necessary to plan a coordinated ChildFund Alliance Regional Response. On Friday, ChildFund Alliance's first rapid Response Plan covering four months (April-July 2022) was ready and agreed between WeWorld and ChildFund Deutschland. It defines line of interventions, sectors, roles and responsibilities, target population and funds necessary to respond to the immediate needs inside Ukraine and in Moldova. WeWorld will lead the response for the Alliance in Moldova while ChildFund DE inside Ukraine with the technical support and guidance of WeWorld.

During the first 10 days, WeWorld's headquarter mission inside Ukraine covered Lviv and Lutsk, and set up a field office in Lviv for ChildFund Alliance operations. **Two local/national staff members were hired (Program Management and Admin/Logistics).**

On March 22, WeWorld deployed a second mission in Ukraine for one month in to foster the relationship with institutional donors, conduct need assessments and participate in interagency coordination in the field.

WeWorld will deploy permanent expatriate staff in Ukraine in the next weeks in order to replace people in the field now who are WeWorld senior staff experimented in emergency context in surge form Africa.

Security is relatively calm in Lviv and western Ukraine with an intensification of air strikes during the last couple of days with military targets only. WeWorld/ChildFund Alliance office is located in a business center in Lviv while the guesthouse is in a neighborhood free from possible targets following security assessment. WeWorld is registered on INSO <https://ngosafety.org/> and receives regular up-dates. Moreover, staff in the field receive emergency communication with security provisions via SMS on their mobile phones.

2. Partnership and coordination

WeWorld is also leading the coordination for the Alliance within the overall interagency humanitarian coordination system being put in place by the international community (not without difficulties). OCHA is coordinating the response inside Ukraine.

ChildFund Alliance members are actively participating in the humanitarian coordination clusters system.

WeWorld is coordinating at regional level attending interagency coordination group led by OCHA in coordination with UNHCR and Regional Logistic Cluster.

Inside Ukraine, both WeWorld and ChildFund Deutschland actively participate online in interagency coordination led by OCHA; Education Cluster and Cash Working Group. WeWorld is also participating in different clusters meeting in person in Lviv and has organized bilateral meeting with several UN agencies in the field, including OCHA.

WeWorld emergency team set up an ad hoc rapid partners’ capacity assessment because all the partners identified by ChildFund Deutschland were trusted organizations of development projects, but not necessarily experienced in emergency operations. Localization, with a strong component of capacity strengthening and technical assistance for local partners is an important pillar of the ChildFund Alliance Regional Response Plan.

On March 12, WeWorld and ChildFund Deutschland assessed the capacities of four partners in Ukraine. The assessment included face-to-face interview and in person visit by WeWorld team leader.

3. Programs (that are being done by ChildFund)

WeWorld teams in Ukraine have conducted need assessments in Lviv mainly targeting IDPs hosting centers, which serves as a transit center for people fleeing conflict zone and seeking temporary accommodation before continuing the journey or finding more long-term solutions.

Following the needs assessed and response envisaged, it will be implemented in cooperation with local partners and by the staff appointed:

Location	Need assessed and response
Lviv Palace of UA Railways Theatre building managed by former railwaymen	This is mainly a transit center. From 9 March to 23 March, they welcomed 3,594 people and exited 3,570.
	<p>NEEDS AND PROPOSED ACTIVITY: They need equipment to prepare and store food (fridge, microwave), psychological support and safe spaces for children.</p>
Lviv Sport Life Gym	It should be a transit center but there are people who have been there since the beginning of the conflict because they have no idea (or the means to get there) where to go. They have a play area for children because it already existed in the gym but no one to manage it and it would be convenient for parents who need to go and do some paperwork to register etc. People also come here from other centers because, being a gym, they also have showers.
	<p>NEEDS AND PROPOSED ACTIVITY: Set up of Child friendly Space with professionals providing Psychosocial support.</p>
Lviv Humanitarian Hub	It is not a transit center but a hub for the collection and distribution of humanitarian aid. IDPs go there and collect necessary humanitarian aid.

	<p>NEEDS AND PROPOSED ACTIVITY: Psychosocial support, protection and referral activities. Provision of baby food, diapers and sanitary napkins</p>
Lviv Train station Maternity Center	<p>The space is very limited but they can accommodate four times the capacity (100/150 people could enter there but they reach 450). It is a transit center where mothers and their babies are supported; because of the high demand and needs, it has been chosen to host only mothers with babies and very young children. There is a little corner with some children's games and there are volunteer psychologists present. They need baby food for children under 6 months + small water bottles that are easy to carry and real meals, not sandwiches.</p> <p>NEEDS AND PROPOSED ACTIVITY: Set up/equip that corner of the room with as a child friendly space, have a permanent person working in there and provide baby food, small water bottles. If possible, hot meals will be delivered and ready to eat.</p>

4. Staffing

Staff on the Ground:

WeWorld has appointed:

2 expatriate staff (one Head of Mission and one Emergency Coordinator)

2 local staff (one Project Manager and one Admin/Logistics)

5. Donors

Proposals and concept note submitted: **Non-at this time**

Confirmed funding:

Donors	Program	Amount (USD)
ChildFund International USA	Emergency Response Ukraine	115,000
ChildFund Deutschland	Emergency Response Ukraine	380,000
Barnfonden	Emergency Response Ukraine	20,500
ChildFund Japan	Emergency Response Ukraine	60,500
Educo	Emergency Response Ukraine	22,000
Terre des hommes Germany	Emergency Response Ukraine	220,000
ChildFund New Zealand	Emergency Response Ukraine	33,000

ChildFund Korea	Emergency Response Ukraine	50,000
ChildFund Ireland	Emergency Response Ukraine	33,400
Un Enfant Par La Main	Emergency Response Ukraine	21,800
Total		\$956,200.00

Please note that most of these funding commitments have been made in Euro. The given information in USD is a rough calculation; the exact amount can be different depending on exchange rates.

6. Finance:

See above. From the beginning of the war until Friday, March 25, ChildFund spent **248,773 Euros** (approx. **273,650 USD**) for this emergency response in Ukraine. With national and international fundraising unfolding, this amount will grow. Adjustment to needs will be done permanently, as the situation changes. **As a part of the funding need as described in the Regional Response Plan, we anticipate a need of more than 800,000 Euros for the relief activities after Easter and, depending on access to the country and development of the military situation, even significantly higher amounts in the future. It has to be noted however that the possibility to transfer funds and secure support through Ukrainian partner organizations can be terminated on short notice.**

7. Media/Communications (Mobile & Email)

Frequent activity in social media in English and German. Please contact Nicole Peckhaus (peckhaus@childfund.de) about related details.

The Communication and Marketing (CMC) distribution list is being utilized for sharing media information and updates which are distributed both by ChildFund Deutschland and by WeWorld.

Together with its emergency team, WeWorld deployed a photographer in Lviv region from March 7-19.

8. Next Steps

1. Maintaining and protect contact with Ukrainian NGO partners. Establish and test contact with new Ukrainian NGO partners recommended by existing partners.
2. WeWorld opened a ChildFund office in Lviv/Ukraine and is seconding two staff member to Lviv. Getting this first ChildFund Alliance presence in the country, operational and registering ChildFund Deutschland at OCHA is of high priority.