# UKRAINIAN-AMERICAN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSOCIATION

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# DONATIONS TO SUPPORT WAR RELIEF EFFORTS IN UKRAINE

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The Ukrainian-American Environmental Association (UAEA) is compiling information it has been receiving on where and how people might make donations to support military, medical, humanitarian, and/or other needs that may arise due to the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

The information provided below is not comprehensive and some has been circulated previously. Additional suggestions have been received recently and we hope to sort through them and circulate them in the days ahead.

UAEA is not in a position to vet all the contacts provided below or to offer definitive guidance on which may be the most effective. UAEA has worked in the past with the first four organizations listed below. I plan to make my first donation to the US-Ukraine Foundation (on whose Board of Directors I have served in the past) and will likely support others in the weeks ahead.

Thank you!!			

## A.) U.S.-BASED ORGANIZATIONS WORKING TO SUPPORT UKRAINE:

The charities listed below are registered in the U.S. and (based on my own knowledge or otherwise confirmed by United Help Ukraine) are 501(c)(3) Not-for-Profit organizations. Donations and gifts are tax-deductible to the full extent allowable under IRS regulations.:

1.) <u>United Help Ukraine</u> - Donate to the Life-saving medical supplies to Ukraine's front lines (click on "donate" for donation options) https://www.facebook.com/donate/1790857681112387 2.) <u>Ukrainian Congress Committee of America</u> (UCCA) - Donate to Humanitarian Effort (click on "donate" for donation options) https://www.mightycause.com/story/M1wzpf

3.) <u>U.S.-Ukraine Foundation</u> – Working with the Afya Foundation to ship unused medical supplies via "Operation Ukraine AirLIFT"

(click on "Donate Now" link)

https://usukraine.org/take-action/donate; https://usukraine.org

4.) <u>Razom for Ukraine</u> - Donate to Tactical medical training and emergency response in Ukraine

(click on "donate" button)

https://www.facebook.com/donate/1158240871580789/10223987229401655

5.) **Nova Ukraine** - Delivers aid packages to Ukraine with everything from baby food and hygiene products, to clothes and household supplies (click on "donate" button)

https://www.facebook.com/donate/1137971146948461/5313902711988404

6.) Sunflower of Peace - Donate to Tactical medicine

(click on "donate" button)

https://www.facebook.com/donate/507886070680475/2099553790222204

#### B.) GLOBAL CITIZEN LIST OF WHERE TO MAKE DONATIONS:

Global Citizen reports that Ukrainians have put together a list of organizations where you can donate to help people affected by the crisis as well as other ideas on how you can support Ukraine. That list can be found here: https://www.globalcitizen.org/en/content/ways-to-help-ukraine-conflict

<u>NOTE</u>: For some of the organizations listed below, it is unclear whether donations will benefit Ukraine specifically or just the organizations' broader humanitarian work.

1.) <u>People in Need</u> - providing humanitarian aid to over 200,000 people on the ground. For those most in need, they provide food packages, emergency shelter, safe access to drinking water, hygiene items, and coal for heating.

Donate here: https://www.peopleinneed.net/donate/once?amount=1000&accountId=7

2.) <u>Ukrainian Red Cross</u> - does loads of humanitarian work, from aiding refugees to training doctors.

Donate here: https://redcross.org.ua/en/donate/

3.) <u>International Medical Corps</u> - is on the front lines and prepared to help citizens with emergency health care services, as well as mental health and psychosocial support. The agency is also keeping the pandemic top of mind throughout the crisis by prioritizing COVID-19 awareness and prevention services, to help keep displaced citizens safe from the pandemic. Donate here:

https://give.internationalmedicalcorps.org/page/99837/donate/1?ea.tracking.id=DP~UA22~DPH HU2202

4.) <u>CARE</u> - is responding to the crisis by providing Ukrainians in need with food, hygiene kits, psychosocial support services, access to water, and access to cash.

Donate here:

 $https://my.care.org/site/Donation2?df\_id=31071\&mfc\_pref=T\&31071.donation=form1\&s\_src=172220UCFM00\&s\_subsrc=FY22UkraineCrisisFundMO$ 

5.) <u>UNICEF</u> - is repairing schools damaged by the bombings and providing an emergency response to children affected by the conflict.

Donate here: https://www.unicefusa.org/stories/amid-stress-and-sorrow-support-families-fleeing-ukraine/39558?form=FUNKBHMZQDQ

6.) <u>OutRight Action International</u> - is helping to support LGBTQ+ groups and organizations on the ground, setting up shelters and providing safety for citizens. All donations made to OutRight will go directly to the cause.

Donate here: https://outrightinternational.org/ukraine?form=Ukraine

- 7.) <u>United Nations World Food Program (WFP)</u> is deploying emergency operations in Ukraine and surrounding countries to provide food assistance to those fleeing the conflict. Donate here: https://secure.wfpusa.org/donate/save-lives-giving-food-today-donate-now-7?ms=2000\_UNR\_wfp\_redirect\_EX&redirected=US
- 8.) Save the Children is working with partners to respond to meet the urgent needs of affected children and their families. It's ready to provide life-saving assistance, such as food, water, cash transfers, and safe places for children as people flee amid freezing temperatures and brutal conditions, and to scale up options to ensure children impacted by the crisis have the support they need.

Donate here:

 $https://support.save the children.org/site/Donation 2? df\_id=5751 \&mfc\_pref=T \& 5751. donation=form 1$ 

9.) **SOS Children's Villages** - has worked in Ukraine since 2003 and is coordinating an emergency response to support families who are living in the conflict areas and those who have been internally displaced.

Donate here: https://www.sos-usa.org/

10.) <u>Mercy Corps</u> - is mobilizing a team to the region to assess where help is most needed, and is anticipating providing emergency cash assistance, as well as supporting local organizations that know their community needs best. Between 2015 and 2017, Mercy Corps provided

humanitarian assistance in eastern Ukraine, reaching more than 200,000 people with emergency cash, food, water, and sanitation supplies, small business development grants, restoring wardamaged homes and more.

Donate here: https://www.mercycorps.org/donate/crisis-ukraine-give-now

11.) <u>Medical Teams International</u> - is fundraising to send medical supplies to the region, with all proceeds going towards sending medicines and/or medical supplies.

Donate here: https://give.medicalteams.org/ukraine.htm

12.) World Health Organization Foundation - is raising funds for WHO's Health Emergency Appeal for Ukraine. An estimated \$57.5 million must be raised to deliver urgent physical and mental health care to the 18 million people in Ukraine needing urgent humanitarian assistance, and more than 4 million refugees who'll need protection and assistance in the coming months. Donate here: https://www.ukraine.who.foundation/

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## C.) DAILY KOS LIST OF WHERE TO MAKE DONATIONS:

Daily Kos has put together a slate of organizations that are supporting Ukraine refugees by providing hot meals, clothing, meet medical needs and shelter.

Again, it is unclear whether donations will benefit Ukraine specifically or just the organizations' broader humanitarian work.

1.) <u>Americares</u> - is preparing to deliver medicine, medical supplies, and emergency funding to help families access essential health care services.

For more information, see: https://www.americares.org/emergency-program/conflict-in-ukraine/

- 2.) <u>International Rescue Committee</u> is working to rush critical aid to displaced families. For more information, see: https://www.rescue.org/
- 3.) World Central Kitchen headed by chef and humanitarian José Andrés, is currently en route to Poland to provide meals for the many refugees pouring into the country.

For more information, see: https://wck.org/

To donate: https://secure.actblue.com/donate/moveon\_ukraine\_wck

4.) <u>International Fund for Animal Welfare</u> - has had a presence in Ukraine since 2014. Staff has remained in place and have continued to care for their animals.

For more information, see: https://www.ifaw.org/action/ukraine-emergency-aid-update

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# D.) SUGGESTIONS FROM THE EMBASSY OF UKRAINE IN THE UNITED STATES:

Kateryna Smagliy, 1st Secretary at the Embassy of Ukraine in the United States, has provided the contacts for a number of "trusted organizations." The contacts are drawn from the Ukrainian Crisis Media Center (https://uacrisis.org/en/help-ukraine). I believe most or all are based in Ukraine. Some of the pages may not be available temporarily due to the influx of visitors. If that's the case, please try again later.

- 1.) <u>Come Back Alive</u> works directly with the command and personnel of military units, purchasing infrared thermal imaging cameras, night vision goggles, hemostatics etc. https://savelife.in.ua/en/donate
- 2.) <u>Army SOS</u> manages purchases of necessary ammunition, shields, intercommunication and reconnaissance facilities, etc. and delivers all goods directly https://armysos.com.ua/pomoch-armii
- 3.) <u>Hospitallers</u> works directly on the frontline https://www.facebook.com/hospitallers/posts/2953630548255167
- 4.) <u>Phoenix Wings</u> the appropriate equipment & uniform, personal non-lethal protection (vests, helmets), required treatment of the wounded soldiers, and repair of the buildings used by the army

http://wings-phoenix.org.ua/en/about-fund

5.) <u>Ukrainian Women Veteran Movement</u> – a consolidation of female veterans, amongst other things organizes preparation for actions in case of emergencies and defense situations. NOTE: page is in Ukrainian

https://www.uwvm.org.ua/?page\_id=3437&lang=en

6.) <u>Vostok SOS</u> – raising funds for various needs of the army NOTE: Need to translate page into English.

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#### **E.) NATIONAL BANK OF UKRAINE**:

The following information was forwarded by the US-Ukraine Business Council and posted by Ukrainians of DC at: https://www.facebook.com/UkrainiansofDC . This information has <u>not</u> been double-checked or confirmed by UAEA.

The National Bank of Ukraine has decided to open a special fundraising account to support the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

The central bank's decision comes after the Ukrainian government imposed martial law throughout Ukraine in response to armed aggression by Russia and the renewed threat to Ukraine's independence and territorial integrity.

All the information about the fund can be received by the link https://ukraine.ua/news/donate-to-the-nbu-fund/

In case the link will not work, because all GOU institutions may be under Russian cyber attack, see the updated information about the special account:

For UAH remittances:

Bank: National Bank of Ukraine

MFO 300001

Account No. UA84300001000000047330992708

EDRPOU Code 00032106

Payee: National Bank of Ukraine

For USD remittances:

SWIFT Code NBU: NBUA UA UX JP MORGAN CHASE BANK. New York

SWIFT Code: CHASUS33

Account: 400807238

383 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10179, USA

Funds will be wired into account No. UA84300001000000047330992708

For GBP remittances:

SWIFT Code NBU: NBUA UA UX

Bank of England, London SWIFT Code: BKENGB2L

Account: 40000982

Threadneedle Street, London EC2R 8AH, UK

Funds will be wired into account No. UA84300001000000047330992708

For EUR remittances:

SWIFT Code NBU: NBUA UA UX DEUTSCHE BUNDESBANK, Frankfurt

SWIFT Code: MARKDEFF

Account: 5040040066

IBAN DE05504000005040040066

Wilhelm-Epsteinn-Strabe 14, 60431 Frankfurt Am Main, Germany

Funds will be wired into account No. UA84300001000000047330992708

For CHF remittances CHF:

SWIFT Code NBU: NBUA UA UX

ZURCHER KANTONALBANK, ZURICH

SWIFT Code: ZKBKCHZZ80A

Account: 0700-01227572

IBAN CH32 0070 0070 0012 2757 2

Josefstrasse 222, 8005 Zurich, Switzerland

Funds will be wired into account No. UA84300001000000047330992708

For AUD remittances:

SWIFT Code NBU: NBUA UA UX

RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA, Sydney

SWIFT Code: RSBKAU2S

Account: 81753-2

GPO Box 3947, Sydney NSW 2000, Australia

Funds will be wired into account No. UA84300001000000047330992708

For CNY remittances:

SWIFT Code NBU: NBUA UA UX

STANDARD CHARTERED BANK, Hong Kong

SWIFT Code:SCBLHKHH Account:447-0-946243-6 GPO Box 21, Hon Kong

Funds will be wired into account No. UA84300001000000047330992708

For CAD remittances:

SWIFT Code NBU: NBUA UA UX BANK OF MONTREAL, Toronto

SWIFT Code: BOFMCAM2 Account: 3144-1044-166

100 King Street West, 24th Floor, Toronto, Ontario, M5X 1A1, Canada Funds will be wired into account No. UA84300001000000047330992708

For JPY remittances:

SWIFT Code NBU: NBUA UA UX

MUFG BANK LTD, Tokyo SWIFT Code:BOTK JP JT Account: 653-0430048

1-2-3, Nihombashi HONGOKU-CHO, Chuo-ku, Tokyo 1003 -0021 Japan Funds will be wired into account No. UA84300001000000047330992708