



BEYOND CONFLICT

IN UKRAINE

THE SALVATION ARMY RESPONSE TO THE UKRAINE CRISIS

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The Salvation Army has a long-standing presence in Ukraine and its neighboring countries. Because we are already part of the communities in which we serve, we are on the ground and responding immediately to the crisis.

Where it is safe to serve, The Salvation Army officers have pivoted programs to provide food, clothes, blankets, and emotional and spiritual care to those who have been displaced from their homes and are seeking refuge.



POLAND

In Starachowice and Warsaw, Salvation Army leaders and a group of faithful volunteers welcome incoming refugees. They have launched a food distribution program, which has since extended its hours to accommodate the influx of refugees needing support. They are also providing translation and information services, helping refugees find basic need services, medical assistance, and more. Throughout the crisis, the Salvation Army will provide not only meals, clothes, and shelter, but also community and hope.

MOLDOVA

With increasing numbers of families and individuals crossing the border, the Salvation Army has been working to find accommodations for those displaced refugees. In various locations across Salvation Army Eastern European Territories, over 2,000 refugees have been accommodated overnight and have been supported with meals, hygiene, and more. The Salvation Army continues to work in coordination with the 'Centre For Refugees Reception' in the village of Mikhailany in the Ryshkansky district.



UKRAINE

The escalation of conflict in Ukraine has forced many families and individuals to leave their homes. As of March 22, there have been an estimated 3.5 million refugees fleeing the country in search of support and safety. In light of this, the Salvation Army has been helping with border crossings and providing accommodations by transforming local Salvation Army centers into safe places for refugees to rest and have a warm meal to eat. Additional support is also being provided at the railway station in Dnipro, where volunteers are preparing meals to distribute to refugees.

HUNGARY

Last week, the local Salvation Army began seeking donations for sleeping bags, mattresses, blankets, and hygiene items to donate to those affected by the ongoing crisis. Salvation Army officers and volunteers then collected those donations in Yverdon, Biel and Zürich, and were able to sort and pack 700 boxes of relief items to distribute to refugees. 125 mattresses were also provided to support displaced families and individuals. The donations were delivered to Baptist Aid warehouse and will be distributed to incoming refugees in need of support.

RUSSIA

The Salvation Army in Russia responds to the needs of displaced people by providing food, hygiene, and other relief items. To date there are over 60,000 displaced people in the southern part of Russia.

CZECH REPUBLIC

The Czech Republic is already home to some 200,000 Ukrainians and therefore anticipates many refugees who will seek support from family and friends in the area. The Salvation Army has available capacity in the existing social services in the Czech Republic and stand ready to provide support.

ROMANIA

Relief at the northern border continues as tens of thousands of refugees pass through Siret. There, the emergency team is working diligently to support incoming families and individuals who have been displaced from their homes. At the Isaccea border, emergency teams are providing food and hygiene items to incoming Ukrainian refugees. The Salvation Army also provides emotional and spiritual care to those in need. A prayer, hug, and words of encouragement go a long way in times such as these.



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