

UKRAINE EMERGENCY RESPONSE

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OVERVIEW OF DISASTER

The situation in Ukraine is intensifying by the hour with media and social media testimonies speaking to a growing sense of panic and fear. More than 7.5 million children living in Ukraine are at grave risk from the sudden escalation in the conflict. The use of artillery, mortars, and military force puts children at risk of death, injury, trauma, disruption of access to education and basic services, forced displacement, and separation.



Many people in Ukraine will also be internally displaced, and others will be forced to seek refuge in neighbouring countries. Inside Ukraine, 12 million people are at grave risk, while an additional 2 million people, mostly women and children, have fled the country and are seeking refuge in neighbouring countries. The UN estimates that more than 4 million people could flee Ukraine by summer.

Children are separated from their fathers as their fathers stay behind in Ukraine to fight for the country. Mothers who have been forced to flee their homes alone with their children without their husbands are afraid at the thought that they will probably have to care for their children alone, without their partners. Children are confused and in despair. Many are fearful and in tears.

WORLD VISION'S RELIEF RESPONSE

World Vision is currently operating directly in Romania with cross-border operations into Ukraine. Since the beginning of the crisis, World Vision, with the support of international donors, has been able to provide the following:

Within Ukraine

- Delivered food and non-food items (NFIs) to a 600-bed hospital, including the minimum food basket, mattresses, pillows, bed linens and cleaning supplies to serve 300 families for two weeks, in partnership with Siret Municipality



Within Romania

- Siret Transition Camp:** Delivered 173 fuel and electrical heaters, temporary toilets, 15 televisions to make border processing spaces more child-friendly, food, and NFIs e.g. diapers, pacifiers, and hygiene items
- Sighetu Marmatiei Refugee Camp:** Distributed heaters and food, arranged transportation services for 100 refugees and arranged medical care for 5 refugee children in need
- Isaaccea Border:** Delivered heaters and food
- Albita Border:** Delivered food, hygiene kits and toys
- Husi Camp:** Established one child-friendly space to provide education and psychosocial support services. Provided hot beverages and food to refugees at border crossings in Vaslui, Maramures and Tulcea, Romania





MOVING FORWARD

Thank you for your generosity and love for children and their families in their time of greatest need. On behalf of the children and families affected by Ukraine Crisis who may never have a chance to thank you personally, we would like to extend our appreciation for your gift of hope and help in this emergency.

Moving forward, World Vision will continue to actively scale up our response in accordance with the needs identified and donations received will go towards interventions such as:

- Providing emergency aid items to ensure that the refugee families' immediate/basic needs are met e.g. water, heaters, hygiene kits, and child-friendly kits
- Providing psychosocial support to children and families and promote educational continuity for affected children
- Equipping host communities to support refugees by rehabilitating and upgrading facilities and/or provision of consumables supplies to facilities.

To keep track of the Ukraine Emergency Response progress, please visit:

<https://www.worldvision.org.sg/en/news-and-updates>.

We have also launched a live blog where Mark Mitchell, World Vision's Technical Director for Emergency Logistics and Prepositioning will be sharing with us his first-hand experiences on the ground over the next three months at the Ukraine-Romania border. Follow his journey:

<https://www.worldvision.org.sg/en/news-and-updates/live-updates-ukraine-romania-border>

To make a difference to children affected by other disasters, please support The Survival Fund – a way to allow us to stand in the gap while both bracing at-risk communities and providing relief to those recovering from disasters. To learn more, visit <https://disaster.worldvision.org.sg>.