Humanitarian needs to date

- +4.6 million people have fled to neighbouring countries
- +7.1 million have been displaced inside Ukraine
- 1 child has been displaced almost every single second since the start of conflict
- 100 health care facilities have been damaged

Crisis overview

- This is the fastest growing refugee crisis since World War II.
- The total number of refugees in Poland is nearing 2.5 million people. 90% of the refugees are women and children.
- Nearly half of all pharmacies across Ukraine are closed, limiting access to critical medicines. Many health care workers have been displaced or are unable to work, creating gaps in health coverage.
- There has been a massive volunteer effort and outpouring of support for this crisis.

40 days in review

Mid-February: Medair and humanitarian organisations actively monitoring an increase of tensions between Russia and Ukraine.

24 February: Intense clashes are reported in Ukraine. Nearly 80,000 refugees arrive in surrounding countries including Poland.

28 February: Medair team arrives in Rzeszow, Poland.

7 March: 1.9 million people have fled Ukraine; more than 500,000 are children. Medair receives official registration in Poland.

9 March: Swiss Solidarity launches a National Day of Solidarity for Ukrainians. Medair is selected as an implementation partner.

15 March: In Poland, Medair is supporting volunteer organisations and host families who are serving refugees.

22 March: 3.5 million people have fled Ukraine and 6.5 million are displaced internally. Medair aims at reaching nearly 160,000 people.

29 March: Medair is functional in six Ukrainian cities and operating the largest refugee reception centre in Poland.

12 April: 13 million people are estimated to be stranded in areas of conflict and unable to meet their basic needs. Medair’s response plan evolves to impact 200,000 vulnerable people.
The mission of the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) is to coordinate the global emergency response to save lives and protect people in humanitarian crises.

Humanitarian Impact

With the scale and direction of the ongoing military operation, 18 million people are projected to become affected. Of the affected population, 12 million people are expected to need humanitarian assistance, and 6 million with the most urgent humanitarian needs will be assisted with the resources required under the Flash Appeal, including 2.1 million IDPs covering the initial period of three months. The Flash Appeal 2022 supersedes the 2022 Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP), as of 1 March.

KEY FIGURES (FLASH APPEAL 2022)

- 2.5 million people targeted
- 12 million people in need
- 2.1 million IDPs
- 107,000 healthcare facilities affected
- 1.4 million people displaced
- +4.6 million people will likely cross international borders within weeks.

Medair’s objective: helping 200,000 people affected by conflict in Ukraine

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Sources: Border crossing points—multiple sources. Country and administrative division—UN GIS and State Statistical Production Enterprise “Kartograph”, Refugee outflow—The refugee figures provided by UNHCR are based on reports received from respective government authorities and other international sources on movements to Russian Federation and Belarus. IDP—IDM. Hostilities—public sources and local reports.
Medair’s response in Poland

Approach
Deploy emergency response experts and enhance volunteer-led initiatives which are assisting refugees:
- **Stabilise**—ensure a staff presence 24 hours per day/7 days per week including Ukrainian translators
- **Standardise**—provide support to refugees which is consistent with minimum humanitarian standards
- **Sustain**—when needed, supplement volunteer activities with use of stipends and purchase of relief items

Impact*  
* As of 10 April 2022
Currently operating Poland’s largest refugee reception centre in Przesmyl | +1,000 active volunteers |  
+500 ‘safe’ drivers registered for transporting refugees | +6,000 refugees registered 04–10 April |  
Health services at Przesmyl train station in coordination with Polish Red Cross | Health services at Kroscienko border crossing reception centre | Psychological First Aid training for staff and volunteers

Medair’s response in Ukraine

Approach
Operate teams in cities where IDPs have arrived and are likely to continue arriving. Provide mental health and psychosocial support in addition to meeting physical needs.
- Distributions of relief items including cash transfers and cash-for-work projects
- Rapid implementation of technical projects such as improvements to hospital basements which are being used as air-raid shelters or schools used as overnight shelters; provision of health supplies
- Implementation through local partners including volunteer organisations and municipalities where possible

Impact*  
* As of 10 April 2022
Operations teams active in six cities; initial assessments active in Kyiv and area | Establishment of supply chain into Ukraine from Poland; two successful deliveries of relief items | Trauma training for 125 mental health professionals through partner Arq International | Five water and sanitation projects are in technical review stage | Three health facility interventions or supply requests are at the stage of project development

Medair ambassadors

Joining a Medair response as volunteers gave our Ambassadors the opportunity to see the impact of their support.

‘Every life matters. It does. It’s not just about managing a situation but meeting the person in need. That’s what I saw in the people I was travelling with.’

‘I found the way of operating fantastic. There is seriousness in the work. Refugees are registered when arriving and when leaving. The drivers and the people who come to help are registered. We see that we also want to protect vulnerable people from those who could take advantage of this vulnerability. This is important work being done.’
Beyond Ukraine

We are concerned about the impacts that this crisis will have within Medair and upon vulnerable people worldwide.

Thank you

This emergency response is like no other. The incredible generosity and flexibility of our partners and donors means that we are quickly helping people without interrupting the volunteer and civic activities in Poland and Ukraine. Some of our valuable donors include: