

# Solidarity with Ukraine

## Two years of action



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## Taking action together



Two years after Russia's invasion of Ukraine on February 24, 2022, and against the background of a long war, humanitarian needs remain significant.

In the first months of the conflict, we focused on emergency humanitarian aid, in other words we provided food, shelter and heating, by supporting local partners working in the field. At the same time, we were very much aware of the importance of supporting the unique potential of Ukrainian civil society, which can identify and implement the most appropriate solutions for emerging needs.

Faced with a war of attrition and waning resources, we have thought of all possible scenarios to continue helping the population over a long period in the most effective way possible, and with optimal impact. Which is what brought us to fine-tune our strategic approach. In June, the Solidarity with Ukraine Committee closed applications for projects and concentrated on 13 key partners. We now assist them over the long term so that they can be as effective as possible in their fields, and become independent.

Our field visits with our partners, including the latest in Ukraine in July 2023, help us find out how projects are progressing, and to keep needs in mind while staying in touch with local actors. Developing solutions jointly with the persons concerned represents the value we add to our work.

Key intervention priorities are still the same: help for the most vulnerable, human rights issues and reconstruction. We do this by supporting local entities in the field, guiding them in their organization, but also offering psychological support.

For the past two years, €12.8 million has been allocated to the implementation of more than 150 projects in Ukraine and also Poland, Moldova and Romania, where people remain particularly vulnerable. This vital outpouring of solidarity is essential to help Ukrainians cope.

In the coming months, we will keep listening to our partners to continue to best meet their needs and take action together. ”



**Michel Maietta**, president of the Solidarity with Ukraine Committee.



*Karine Meaux, center, in a modular camp in Lviv, with our partners*

## Committee members

### PRESIDENT

#### **Michel Maietta**

Founder and Director of IARAN (Inter-Agency Research and Analysis Network), a hub of humanitarian professionals based in London, specialized in strategic consulting for humanitarian and development actor; Lecturer at Université Paris-Saclay and Futuribles International.

### MEMBERS

#### • **Elisabeth Dahan**

Former Director of International Relations at the French Economic Social and Environmental Council; former Ambassador of France to the Maldives and Sri Lanka from 1996 to 2000.

#### • **Kateryna Korotetska**

Head of Behavioral Change Management, Engineer in Information Systems, involved with several French and Ukrainian NGOs.

#### • **Anne Le Huerou**

Sociologist, Assistant Professor at Université Paris Nanterre, specialist in contemporary Russia, member of AEC (European Citizens' Assembly) and Mémorial France.

#### • **Thierry Liscia**

EMDR-Accredited Clinical Psychologist; former acting Adviser for Mental Health at Agence Française de Développement (AFD).

#### • **Bérengère Quincy**

Former Ambassador of France to Denmark and Permanent Representative of France to several United Nations offices; former ambassador tasked with preparing the Paris Climate Conference (COP 21) in 2015; GRET Board Director.

#### • **Inga Wachsmann**

Head of Migration and Integration Policies and Practices in France and Europe, of Democratic and Civic Spaces in France and Europe, and of Equitable Transition at Porticus France.



*The challenge right now is to help civil society cope for the duration. Which is why 13 key partners have been identified in Ukraine and Moldova in various areas of intervention such as humanitarian action and support concerning human rights. With Fondation de France, they are strongly committed to assistance that is even more effective, coordinated and lasting, for the benefit of the most vulnerable people.”*

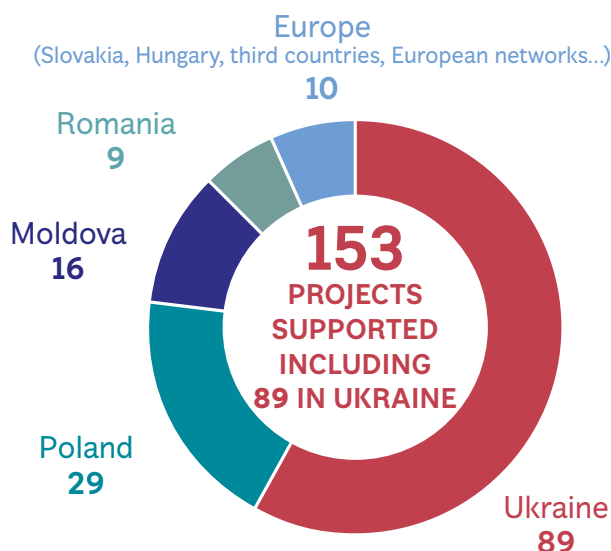
**Karine Meaux,**  
Head of Emergency Action at Fondation de France

## Key figures as of December 31, 2023

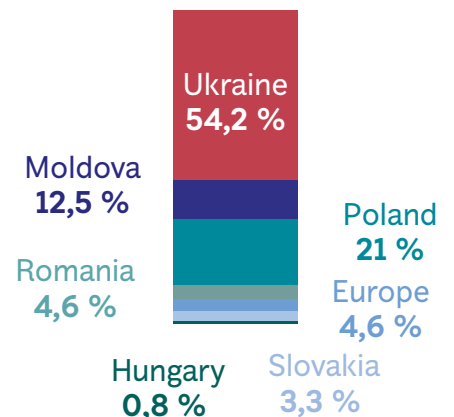
**122 000**  
DONATIONS

**18,6 million**  
**EUROS RAISED**

**12,8 m€**  
allocated



### PERCENTAGE BREAKDOWN OF SUMS ALLOCATED TO EACH COUNTRY



## Projects supported in Ukraine

For the past two years, Fondation de France's work has been to assist populations in Ukrainians and refugees. Faced with a war of attrition, it has adapted its strategy by supporting key partners who take action where it is needed and committed to work over the long term. The aim is to guide them so that they can undertake to rebuild once the war is over, while continuing to help the people most affected by the conflict.

### Ongoing care for the most vulnerable

Clearly, helping the most vulnerable remains our priority. For example, Fondation de France funds Ukrainian nonprofit Your Support which manages shelter for 180 people in Lviv. Since the start of the war, more than 3,200 people found refuge there, two thirds of them being children. The center offers medical and psychological care as well as help with employment. This is currently the only place in town that accepts marginalized populations (families with a disabled child, Roma people etc.).

To cope with an emergency in an emergency situation, following the destruction of the Kakhovka dam in June 2023, several partners received one-off support to document environmental damage, distribute food and water to people who were flooded and evacuate them to safe places.



*Nonprofit Angels of Salvation distributing first necessities.*



*World Central Kitchen organizing the distribution of food in Lviv, Ukraine.*



*Nonprofit Your Support offers psychosocial sessions for displaced children in Lviv, Ukraine.*



*Welcome center for displaced Ukrainian people in Lviv, set up by Triangle Génération Humanitaire.*

## Planning for tomorrow and testifying for the future

Against the background of a long war, preparation for rebuilding is a strategic priority. The National Network of Local Philanthropy Development aims to develop a grouping of stakeholders who will be lastingly involved in reconstruction projects. Encouraging young people's initiatives and developing their civic skills promotes the emergence of tomorrow's leaders who will contribute to rebuilding their country.

Preparing for the future is also the heart of the Docudays project, which carries out awareness raising programs and social support, especially for young people. They include organizing events (screenings, debates, etc.) on the topic of human rights and the integration of displaced people within the country. To this day more than 1,300 events have been organized with 25,000 people attending. Communication campaigns make it possible to share this information with a wider audience. Broadcasting the stories is essential, to cope with often very harsh reality. LHRC Alternative collects personal memories from the inhabitants of regions strongly

impacted by war. These life stories testify to the changes in daily living imposed by the situation, but they also testify to the ability of society to adapt.

## Help for the helpers

Fondation de France also takes care of Ukrainian humanitarian partners, who continue to work tirelessly for the most vulnerable, and helps avoid burnout in the teams on the ground.

*"This war is also a war of attrition, a clearly psychological one too", explains Ingrid Hardouin, Head of Emergency Programs. "Because of drone and missile attacks, and sirens blaring frequently to alert civilians, people in Ukraine don't sleep much. Hence the prevalence of professional and emotional burnout in helpers."*

Which is why Fondation de France supports its partners in psychological education and prevention programs for its teams. Unfortunately, these issues are often still underestimated or even stigmatized. The idea is to convince the people affected that they have a good reason to ask for psychological care.

## Projects supported in Poland, Romania and Moldova

Fondation de France continues to support several actors in countries bordering Ukraine.

In Poland, the Polish Women Can Foundation promotes social integration of Ukrainian refugees. The foundation makes computers available to help them train online or find a new job. Particular attention is paid to women and young people, thanks to specific initiatives dedicated to entrepreneurship and training to improve their digital skills.

The social integration of young refugees is also at the heart of projects led by Hope and Homes for Children in Romania. The nonprofit organizes holiday camps for refugee children in the border areas, providing them with a little respite. Thanks to support from the Fondation de France, more than 400 children and adult refugees have been welcomed in Romania.

In Moldova, nonprofit Motivatie offers specific support for disabled refugees, including psychological help and adapted transport for those with physical impairments. Motivatie also raises awareness with other Moldovan organizations on the issues of accessibility and employability of refugees, as well as Moldavian people with a disability.

Lastly, because the issue of welcoming refugees concerns several countries, the Carpathian Foundations Network (Slovakia, Hungary and Ukraine) is active throughout Europe. They broadcast messages to the general public to combat prejudice concerning Ukrainian refugees, and they also provide practical and financial support to the local organizations working with the most vulnerable people.



*The CAM-Z Parasolka welcome center is for young disabled people from the region of Tiatchiv who benefit from medical care, specialist education and income-generating revenue initiatives.*



*The Hope and Homes center welcomes refugee children in Romania.*



*The Carpathian Foundations Network organizes activities to help integrate Ukrainian refugees in Slovakian schools.*

## The commitment of donor-advised funds

Several donor-revised funds have stepped up by launching fundraising operations, financing projects or engaging in other initiatives.

To this date, close to €880,000 has been raised for the Solidarity with Ukraine operation, thanks to the mobilization of all donor-advised funds.

Foundations frequently share information among themselves, which makes it easier for them to get involved collectively, as they identify and support local players.

This is the case for the Our World LifeChanger project, which helps displaced people in Ukraine to learn a new job in the digital sector. The project was initially supported by Fondation de France. Going forward, the Louis Justin Besançon donor-advised fund has decided to take this project over. The fund helps people who are finding it difficult to access employment in the second half of their professional life. The target is to train a cohort of 80 people in sectors with recruitment needs, such as web developer or UX and UI designer.

## Solidarity with Ukraine 2022 and 2023 sources and uses of funds statement as of 12/31/2023

SOURCES OF FUNDS	TOTAL	%	2022	2023
<b>Funds raised from the general public and other private funds</b>	<b>18 512 607</b>	<b>98 %</b>	<b>16 599 340</b>	<b>1 913 267</b>
<i>Individual donations</i>	17 614 313	95 %	15 892 197	1 722 116
<i>Fondation de France donor-advised funds</i>	890 956	5 %	705 594	185 362
<b>Grants from regional and local authorities</b>	<b>74 648</b>	<b>0 %</b>	<b>76 648</b>	<b>- 2 000</b>
<b>Other resources</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0 %</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Financial products</b>	<b>263 054</b>	<b>1 %</b>	<b>74 233</b>	<b>188 821</b>
<b>SOURCES OF FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>18 850 309</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>16 750 221</b>	<b>2 100 088</b>

USES OF FUNDS	TOTAL	%	2022	2023
<b>Charitable projects</b>	<b>13 377 662</b>	<b>93 %</b>	<b>8 022 584</b>	<b>5 355 078</b>
<i>Grants allocated to operators in the field</i>	12 837 271	96 %	7 751 611	5 085 660
<i>Project implementation and monitoring costs</i>	299 540	2 %	181 442	118 098
<i>Staffing costs</i>	240 851	2 %	89 531	151 320
<b>Donation processing costs</b>	<b>323 615</b>	<b>2 %</b>	<b>302 522</b>	<b>21 093</b>
<b>Donor information costs</b>	<b>227 963</b>	<b>2 %</b>	<b>197 338</b>	<b>30 626</b>
<b>Operational costs</b>	<b>389 807</b>	<b>3 %</b>	<b>224 912</b>	<b>164 895</b>
<b>USES OF FUNDS TOTAL</b>	<b>14 319 047</b>	<b>100 %</b>	<b>8 747 355</b>	<b>5 571 692</b>
Available at the end of the year (dedicated funds)			8 002 865	4 531 262

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