



Ukraine Children's Action Project (UCAP)

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Crisis in Ukraine Deepens, What We Need to Know Now



In our communication last month, we expressed deep concern about the growing needs of Ukraine's children and families suffering in a war that seems endless.

And we also shared our concern about the abrupt, irrational elimination of humanitarian aid to Ukraine under the auspices of the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID). With a stroke of President Trump's pen on an executive order, USAID was shut down. And that was that...

And then, just two days ago, in an Oval Office debacle, President Trump and Vice President Vance dressed down Ukraine President Volodimir Zelenskyy in a public display of hostility that sent shock waves around the world.

This was, of course, an international embarrassment for our country and a turning point with respect to how the U.S. will be conducting its relationships with other countries,

reserving our harshest words for our longest standing allies and friends. And on Friday, the target of the administration's wrath was Ukraine.

None of this bodes well for Ukraine's children.

What's so very troubling to us now is that the idea of a peaceful, fair settlement of the war seems more elusive than ever. Russian troops currently occupy 20% of Ukraine and have delivered unimaginable hardships to Ukrainian children and civilians throughout the country, including the kidnapping of at least 20,000 children.

The U.S. seems poised to essentially abandon Ukraine or push for a ceasefire that will be disadvantageous in the extreme to one of our most important democratic allies.

As far as UCAP is concerned, we have long realized that even if there was an immediate end to the fighting the recovery process will be long and arduous.

Ukraine's children will need large-scale educational remediation, physical rehabilitation and programs to help children who have been traumatized by displacement, loss and grief.

Just know that UCAP's work continues to address the needs of Ukraine's war-impacted children. And your help is deeply appreciated, perhaps more than you can imagine.

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Stop the Bleed Training



UCAP is funding specialized training of students and teachers living near the front line. Training includes the basic control of bleeding in case of injuries due to missile and drone strikes in civilian areas. This approach empowers civilians of all ages with skills that can be life-saving during these dangerous and unpredictable wartime realities. Over 1000 students and teachers will receive training in the next 2 months.

Training is hands-on and scenario-based which allows trainees to practice in the most realistic way possible.

The program provides tourniquets and other equipment to teach the course as well as funding for stop the bleed life-saving kits that are built and left with the various schools where students are being trained.



Caring for Children waiting for Families

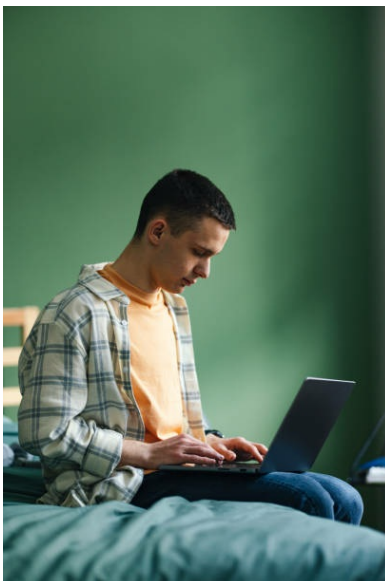


Our partner in Dnipro who supports orphaned children and those in large foster families also oversees the care of vulnerable children, removed from their families for safety, who are brought to local hospitals until safe accommodations can be found for them

Yuliia visited some of these young children while in Dnipro last month and brought much needed warm clothes and games to occupy their time while waiting for overstretched systems to find them safe places to live.

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Laptops for Children of Heroes



UCAP is partnering with the non-profit **Children of Heroes** to bring 100 laptops to teens who have lost one or both parents in the war. This supports 30% of the teens helped by the organization who need educational devices this year.

Access to technology is essential for education, communication, and future opportunities, especially for displaced children facing disruptions in their learning.

These laptops will help teens continue their education, develop new skills, and stay connected with their support networks.

Dnipro Telehealth Network - Progress

It was important for Yuliia to meet with Dnipro Children's Hospital (DNH) leadership in February about the progress being made on the UCAP funded Regional Telehealth project. After full installation of the telehealth equipment in March, pediatric subspecialty services will be safely provided to children in the Dnipro region. Four regional hospitals will connect to Dnipro Children's Hospital, where pediatric subspecialists will provide care to children throughout the region.



For many families living in remote communities currently under siege from Russian missiles, traveling to these medical centers for in-person evaluation and treatment has become too risky.

Our collaboration with the medical team at Dnipro Children's Hospital and American telehealth experts is supporting the development of the necessary telehealth system and equipment.

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Meet the Children



Through a Mother's Eyes: Olena

Kharkiv, Ukraine: "We are a family from Northern Saltivka in Kharkiv. On the first day of the war, we left our home, which was later completely destroyed. The memories of those early days are heavy and haunting."

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So, once again, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts for continuing to support UCAP as we pledge to pursue the mission on behalf of Ukraine's children for as long as it takes.

Fondly,
Irwin and Karen,

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