

# Ukraine Children's Action Project (UCAP)

## **April Report 2025**

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## The Recent Attacks Kill and Injure Dozens



We could ask: Why have the Russians intensified their attacks on Ukraine in recent weeks? Not just attacks on military installations or infrastructure, but missile and drone attacks on civilian neighborhoods. On schools and playgrounds. On residential neighborhoods and clinics. These are the targets selected by perpetrators of massive war crimes.

Maybe you assumed or hoped, as we did, that there would be a ceasefire while major

parties worked out a permanent peace agreement. No such luck. Children and civilians continue to be killed, injured and traumatized every day across Ukraine.

Russia has committed itself to the destruction of Ukraine as a democratic country and as a vibrant, innovative culture with more similarities than differences with Western Europe and the U.S. than most of us might imagine.

Ukraine's children remain directly in the crosshairs, especially in the Russian-occupied territories where children are being abducted, indoctrinated, and turned against their own families.

And to think that the U.S. government has essentially ended all humanitarian aid to Ukraine is especially heartbreaking.

As our government waivers in its commitment to supporting Ukraine's defense and vilifies Ukraine's leaders, it is increasingly and openly supporting Vladimir Putin's violent aggression and unacceptable demands in exchange for ending active war fighting. This means that it remains up to the people of America – and the people of countries across the world - to step in and step up when governments cannot or will not do the right thing.

And that's why your support of UCAP means more than ever.

## Nearly 1400 Teens Trained - Stop the Bleed!





Our partner has just finished the 5th week of their Stop the Bleed Teen Ukraine project. They have trained nearly 1400 students and the feedback is overwhelmingly positive. They hear over and over from the teachers that their students know the theory, but never get to practice like they do in these trainings. Many schools are asking the program to return for more trainings!

They trained in cramped air raid shelters, gyms and large event rooms. The team continues to deliver excellent training no matter the challenges or locations.

Learn More

## Helping Students Prepare for the Future During Wartime





UCAP is supporting Donetsk National Technical University (DonNTU), one of Ukraine's oldest and most respected technical universities. After three wartime relocations, the university is now based in the Lviv region. The university is actively working to rebuild its educational and scientific infrastructure in a safer area of the country.

UCAP's support is funding a new initiative to help internally displaced persons (students) (IDPs) access higher education. With our help, the project is able to offer free online preparatory courses for the 2025 National Multi-Subject Test (NMT), a key requirement for university admission, and free online career guidance consultations to help students plan their academic and professional futures.

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#### **Solar Batteries and Lights - and Hope**



In times of war, when the stability of electricity supply is unreliable and the safety of children remains a primary concern, UCAP's gift has truly become a lifeline for families. Thanks to these solar batteries and lights, children can now safely complete their homework, read, and play in the evenings without fear of darkness. The lights were distributed to foster families and family-type



orphanages that live near the frontline.

## Message to our Donors - from Director, Mom Plus Me

"We understand that these are not easy times for anyone. The events unfolding around us impact the relationship between America and Ukraine, and it is especially meaningful for us to know that, despite everything, you continue to stand with Ukraine.

The fact that you keep supporting children affected by the war is more than just aid—it is a profound act of trust, true humanity, and shared responsibility for the future.

We feel this support deeply. And on behalf of our entire team, I want to thank you. Your support inspires us, gives us strength, and proves that kindness knows no borders. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for standing with Ukraine, for believing in our children, and for fighting alongside us.



I can only imagine how difficult this is for you. But please, don't give up!"

With gratitude, Nastya Hryshchenko



## More Tablets for Education



UCAP continues to work with Lviv's member of Parliament, Nataliia Pipa, to distribute computer tablets to internally displaced children and children of fallen soldiers. Through our latest grant this month we have provided **1735 tablets to help students** continue their education, and get access to online lessons, etextbooks, and additional educational resources.

The families share that because of this program, the children sense that they are remembered, that they are not alone, that the world around them is ready to support them.

## **Meet the Children**



## Through a Mother's Eyes: Nina - Donetsk, Ukraine

Everything has a beginning and an end! The beginning was full of anxiety; how will it be? And the end was filled with different emotions: joy, fulfillment, confidence, gratitude, etc.! I can say this about the time spent with the child in the camp. Thank you to the entire friendly team at Recovery Camp for the safe space they have created for children and mothers!



We can't thank you enough for your on-going support and caring for the children of Ukraine. UCAP continues to reach more children because of you!

With gratitude, Irwin and Karen

> Other Ways to Give

\*After nearly 3 years of operation, we want to share that our administrative overhead is just 13%. The respected Charity Navigator considers anything under 25% worthy of it's highest rating!



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