



DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

Recovery Camp Academy – THIRD TRAINING SESSION February 6 – March 6

Project:

Recovery Camp Academy — an online training program for professionals working with children and families in wartime conditions

Implementation period:

February 6 – March 6

Duration of training:

4 weeks

Key figures

- Total number of participants: 219
- Most active participants (regular attendance at Zoom meetings, completion of assignments) — 38–43 people
- Number of Zoom meetings during the training — 4
- Recordings of all Zoom meetings were available to every participant
- Number of participants who successfully completed the training and received certificates — 98 people

The main method of recruiting participants was through mailings/announcements among partner organizations, Telegram groups, Facebook communities, announcements on Recovery Camp's social media, and recommendations from previous program participants.

Geography and Professional Profile

The third cohort was notable for a significant number of participants from civil society and international organizations who already had experience working with children and implementing educational and recovery programs. The largest number of participants came from the Kherson, Kharkiv, and Kyiv regions.

The audience consisted of psychologists, educators, social workers, project coordinators, representatives of the civil society sector, and specialists who work directly with children and organize camps.

Key Feature of the Cohort

Participants in the third cohort were focused as much as possible on the practical application of knowledge, particularly on creating and improving camps in their communities

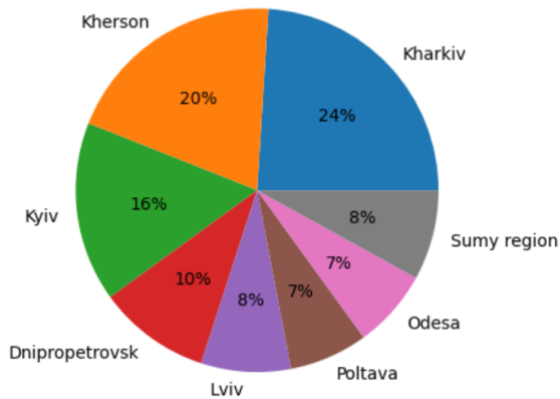


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Geography of Participants - Third Cohort



Success stories from the third cohort

Story 1.

Among the participants of the third cohort was a significant number of specialists who already work with children and organize camps. One of the participants, a representative of the UFO STEAM HUB team (Kremenchuk), shared her experience of running city day camps for children aged 6–14, particularly for children from IDP families

In their work, the team creates a safe space based on the “do no harm” principle, combining the STEAM approach, soft skills development, reflection, and active recreation without the use of gadgets

Participation in the Recovery Camp Academy allowed the team to rethink their own processes, better structure their activities, and strengthen their internal approaches to camp organization. The participant noted the practical value of the training and its impact on the quality of their program implementation.

Story 2.

The team’s true pride is the families of servicemen from the 93rd Brigade, who completed the training, gained practical experience at the camp, and formed a volunteer team to organize camps for children and military families in Yaremche.

The team is currently in the preparation phase for launching the camp and has reached out to Recovery Camp Academy for expert support. Plans include collaborative work on the program structure, activity plan, and location analysis with recommendations for its effective use.

The next step involves Recovery Camp’s game facilitators traveling to the site in Yaremche to share practical experience and strengthen the team before the camp’s launch.

TEAM CONCLUSIONS

1. The third cohort demonstrated growing interest in the program among organizations that are already implementing or planning to launch camps, indicating a shift from training to scaling up practices in communities
2. The high number of participants confirms the relevance of the topic and the need for systematic knowledge to work with children in wartime conditions



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3. Despite significant registration, active participation in live sessions remains sporadic, underscoring the importance of preserving recordings and maintaining an asynchronous format
4. There is a growing demand for practical tools, process structuring, and the implementation of ready-made camp models.
5. Given the growing relevance of summer camps and the high demand for practical tools, the team has decided to hold the fourth and fifth training sessions in April and May to strengthen the capacity of organizations working in this field.