

War in Ukraine

how can your church partner with Habitat in responding

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"Goodness is stronger than evil, Love is stronger than hate, Light is stronger

than darkness..." Archbishop Desmond Tutu

Europe is now facing the largest humanitarian crisis of a lifetime as the conflict in Ukraine has led to a surge of refugees fleeing to safety in neighbouring countries.

Habitat for Humanity has been supporting the shelter needs of families across Central and Eastern Europe since 1992. The UNHCR estimates that more than 1 million people have fled Ukraine and these numbers are expected to accelerate in the coming days and weeks, creating an **unprecedented need for emergency and long-term shelter.**

Habitat for Humanity has the capacity and the experience to respond to these urgent needs.

We have teams already working with first responders at the borders and are coordinating with partners.



for Humanity România

Give

Habitat has launched an appeal to support those being forced to flee their homes. Sending funds will enable our colleagues in Romania, Poland, Slovakia or Hungary, alongside partners to coordinate the response, source items locally and distribute them to those most in need.

Details on how to donate as a church or individial are here - **habitatni.co.uk/ukraine**; if you wish to hold a special collection or host a fundraiser you can use this link to enable online donations.

habitatni.enthuse.com/cf/warinukraine

Pray for Ukraine

Join us as we cover Habitat's response to the unfolding crisis in Ukraine in prayer.

Download and share our latest 'Prayer for Ukraine' here: habitatni.co.uk/pray

Join us for our next virtual #PrayAtHome for Ukraine - to register for the next session visit - habitatni.co.uk/pray



"May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you." Jude 1:2

Our Focus

Habitat is working to alleviate the shelter burden of Ukrainian refugees.

PHASE 1 Emergency needs

Habitat's immediate response at the Romanian and Hungarian borders included; providing heating in border camps and emergency supplies to families who have fled Ukraine.

Hear directly from Roberto, National Director of Habitat Romania about the immediate support Habitat is providing there. www.habitatni.co.uk/ukraine

PHASE 2 Longer term shelter needs within host communities

With a strong history across the region, Habitat will work to assess the longer-term housing stock needs for families arriving and settling in host communities across the region and/or returning to Ukraine using our **'Pathways to Permanence'** methodology. Interventions will build on the strengths of current programmes and will need significant support across Poland, Hungary, Romania and Slovakia.

• **Short-term:** Providing basic kits/care packages based on need in host countries

- Medium-term: Providing accessible and affordable rental housing (with full or partial subsidy)/cash for rent assistance in host countries including important social support
- Long-term:
 - Utilising 'empty spaces', providing long term housing in currently disused apartments including identification of such stock and renovation support in host countries
 - Identifying more permanent solutions in host countries and/or Ukraine

Please continue to pray for peace, for the people of Ukraine, the Habitat teams in Hungary, Poland, Romania and Slovakia together with all those who will help practically or speak out for peace and share our social media posts with your church community.

To learn how your church can support Habitat's Response to the war in Ukraine, contact contact Pete Graham, Engagement Officer at Habitat for Humanity Ireland:

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