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The Ukraine Humanitarian Fund (UHF) is one of the quickest, most effective ways to directly support the most urgent, lifesaving humanitarian relief in Ukraine.

The UHF was created in 2019 by the United Nations Emergency Relief Coordinator (ERC) to make funding directly available to the best-placed and most effective humanitarian partners operating inside Ukraine.

Ukraine's security and humanitarian situation is deteriorating rapidly since the beginning of military operations on 24 February 2022. The UHF is a critically important channel to support in-country relief operations and ensure that urgently needed humanitarian assistance reaches the people in Ukraine who need it most.

## **Funding life-saving action**

Donations to the UHF are collected into a single fund and made available locally to a range of carefully vetted and trusted relief partners who are on the ground, at the front lines of the response and closest to people in need.

These partners prioritize the most urgent assistance together and make sure that UHF funds go to the most important emergency response activities at the right time.

Partners include UN agencies, national and international non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and Red Cross/Red Crescent organizations. They are all committed to staying and delivering assistance and protection to the people of Ukraine.

Together, and with UHF support, they deliver health care, food aid, clean water, shelter and other humanitarian assistance for millions of people in need inside Ukraine.

An inclusive and transparent process ensures that resources focus on the highest priority needs. This means that funding decisions empower local partners and humanitarian leadership, and lead to better collaboration and collective ownership of the emergency response.

## How can you help

## Donate

The UHF is funded by voluntary contributions from Governments, the private sector and individuals.

1 The easiest and guickest way to support is by donating online at https://crisisrelief.un.org/ ukraine-crisis.

2\* If you prefer to do a wire transfer, the

**United Nations Foundation** can receive a wire transfer for amounts over \$10,000.

3\* Governments, private sector entities and foundations that wish

to contribute can contact the OCHA Donor Relations Section.

\* For 2 and 3 please email ocha.donor. relations@un.org

Share

Help promote the UHF.



It took me less than a minute to make a life-saving donation for people in Ukraine. You can help make a real difference too: https://crisisrelief.un.org/ ukraine-crisis

2 Urge people across your social networks to contribute by sharing:

In #Ukraine. civilians bear the brunt of the conflict. Intensifying hostilities are threatening the lives and wellbeing of tens of thousands of families.

Help us provide them with the means to survive: https:// crisisrelief.un.org/ukraine-crisis



## **HOW CBPFs WORK**

## **ABOUT CBPFs**

The UHF is one of 21 currently active Country-Based Pooled Funds (CBPFs) which are established when a new emergency occurs or when an existing humanitarian situation deteriorates.

CBPFs support the delivery of an agile response and encourage effective and efficient use of available resources. They help to minimize transaction costs and provide transparency and accountability with recipient organizations thoroughly assessed and projects monitored with regular reporting on achievements.

Allocations support the most urgent components of Humanitarian Response Plans and appeals and complement other funding sources, such as the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) and bilateral funding from governments.

CBPFs are locally managed by managed by the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA) under the leadership of the Humanitarian Coordinator and in consultation with the humanitarian community. Advisory Boards oversee the Funds, providing advice on key decisions, and ensuring efficient and effective management. At the global level, the Pooled Fund Working Group brings together key stakeholders (representing donors, NGOs and UN agencies) to provide policy guidance.

Following the opening of the first CBPF in Angola in 1991, UNOCHA has 30 years of experience managing in-country pooled funds. UNOCHA also manages CERF, a global fund which has supported emergency responses in some 100 countries since 2005.

### CONTRIBUTIONS



Donors contribute to specific CBPFs.

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Contributions are pooled

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## **IDENTIFYING** HUMANITARIAN NEEDS



Aid workers on the ground identify the most urgent types of humanitarian assistance that people need, such as shelter, food, clean water and medicine.





Humanitarian partners work together to prioritize life-saving relief activities. They request CBPF funding through the Humanitarian Coordinator.

ALLOCATING FUNDS



Based on expert advice from aid workers on the ground, the Humanitarian Coordinator allocates CBPF funding.

# SAVING LIVES



Relief organizations use the money for life-saving aid operations. They always track spending and impact, and report back to the Humanitarian Coordinator.



For general information about CBPFs please visit:

http://bit.ly/OCHA\_CBPFs



Real-time information about funding and allocations is available here: cbpf.data.unocha.org

PHOTO: On 25 February 2022 in Kyiv, Ukraine, a girl looks at the crater left by an explosion in front of an apartment building which was heavily damaged during ongoing military operations. © UNICEE/Moldova