

# BI-WEEKLY FACTSHEET ON THE CASH FOR PROTECTION TASKFORCE (C4PTF) #10 13<sup>th</sup> Sept. IN UKRAINE & NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES 2022

## **Purpose of this factsheet:**

This Factsheet is produced on a bi-weekly basis for Protection and Cash and Voucher Assistance (CVA) specialists who are considering, planning for, or already using CVA integrated into protection programming to support protection outcomes for individuals and households inside and outside of Ukraine. Key findings are paired with "hints" wherever possible based on the current state of information and best practice resources on how CVA for Protection can be applied.

This factsheet aims at addressing Cash for Protection broadly and relies on the key information provided by the Task Team members as well as the relevant clusters, AoRs and working groups. All previous factsheets are available via this link.

# HOT TOPICS AND QUESTIONS OF THE MOMENT

 How to address the needs of most vulnerable households during winter?

- Closure of community centres how to ensure a protective shelter and environment for families?
  - What would be the implications of setting more restrictive selection criterias for cash assistance?
  - How to mitigate existing/future protection risks associated to lack of available and affordable shelter options?
  - What type of information on children should and should not be collected at registration stage, considering data protection risks? (Ex: birth certificates)

- Should the CVA assistance still be limited to three months?
- How can agencies best support foster families with CVA?
- How to estimate the value of protection top ups in CVA calculations?

How to set up referral mechanisms between CVA and Protection teams that are safe from a data protection perspective?

Are the amount made available to Ukrainian refugees as part of national protection schemes sufficient to meet their basic and protection needs?

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Do not hesitate to contact us to send feedbacks, key points of interests that you would like to see included in the next factsheet!

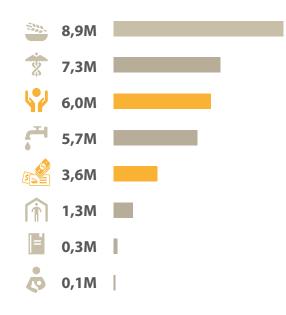
### **KEY FIGURES**

**7M** estimated number of Ukrainian IDPs

**7.2M** refugees fleeing Ukraine, 50% being children

**3.6M** people have received MPCA assistance (link)

# Estimated people reached by clusters as of 08/09/2022 - UNHCR (link)



### Key links for C4P in the Ukrainian regional response



### WEBMAP : CASH & CP FOR UKRAINE

This webmap collates all available information on Cash interventions and Protection activities (including CP, GBV, mine action), assessments, needs and existing coordinating structure for the Ukraine response in Ukraine AND neighbouring countries. It is populated thanks to all CVA and Protection practitioners inputs via the following online forms. Please take some time to fill the 3Ws! (links below)

### → HUMANITARIAN CONTACT LIST - UKRAINE

→ ASSESSMENT TRACKING SYSTEM - UKRAINE

### → PROTECTION ACTIVITIES (UKRAINE)

- -> CASH INTERVENTIONS (UKRAINE)
- CASH INTERVENTIONS (ROMANIA)
- CASH INTERVENTIONS (MOLDOVA)

### **PROTECTION MONITORING HIGHLIGHTS**

→ Interactive dashboard created by UNHCR collecting data on various protection monitoring indicators and risks.

### **UKRAINE CASH WORKING GROUP PAGE**

 Landing page of CWG with all relevant documents, updates, factsheet, toolbox

### **GLOBAL CASH 4 PROTECTION WEBSITE**

 $\rightarrow$  Cash for protection resource library

### **CVA AND CP TOOLKIT**

Toolkit for Monitoring and Evaluating Child Protection
When Using Cash and Voucher Assistance

### **UKRAINE 3W OPERATIONAL PRESENCE**

Live 3W from OCHA for NGO and INGOS operating in
 Ukraine

### **GBV CONSIDERATION IN UKRAINE**

Consideration for Women and Girls when using cash in ukraine and the Regional Refugee Response (UNFPA)

### **CVA & GBV COMPENDIUM: A TOOLKIT**

Guidelines for Integrating Gender-Based Violence
Interventions in Humanitarian Action

#### **RESOURCES FOR UKRAINE RESPONSE**

All assessments, useful tipsheets and guidance
 listed in the previous factsheets

### **USING CVA TO PROTECT CHILDREN**

Live document: key consideration when using
 CVA to achieve CP outcomes

#### **TRICLUSTER DASHBOARD**

CCCM, Protection, Shelter dashboard on Ukraine
 communal settings for IDPs

### **UKRAINE CVA DASHBOARD**

 Live dashboard with # of people assisted, # of partners and type, # of activities and coverage

# Key updates relevant to CVA & protection in **Ukraine**

### Funding environment

Ukraine response is 82% funded with 729,3million USD required. UNHCR -Operational Response, Delivery Updates<sup>1</sup> - September 2022 (link) Open Call for proposals: UHF 1st 2022 Standard Allocation - Protection Cluster Guidance - September 2022- (link) Envelope 1: 50 million USD ; deadline 15 Septem-

ber 2022 - Envelope 2: 20 million USD ; deadline 29 September 2022

**USAID - Ukraine Rapid Response Factsheet** September 2022 (link) USAID invest in more than 40 activities implemented by more than 700 implementing partner staff in the country.

**Sweden Government approves SEK 500 million (48million USD)** to Ukraine for reconstruction and humanitarian support (link)

### **Response general updates**

### OCHA - Situation report - September 2022 (link) (link to previous sitrep)

Protection Gaps: According to the national survey conducted by the UN Population Fund, around 90 per cent of men in Ukraine have never resorted to psychological assistance or asked for help in case of distress, loss or other need. To encourage men to overcome their hesitance and seek support, Gender-based Violence subcluster partners plan to expand activities on social perception change to motivate men to reach out to and receive quality support.

### IOM - Ukraine Response Operational Update – August 2022 (link)

### OCHA - Ukraine: 5W Operational Presence Map - September 2022 (link)

586 partners (including 368 national NGOs and 105 iNGOS), 52 partners in MPC, 65 in Child Protection, 30 in GBV, 9 in Mine action

UNFPA - Ukraine Emergency Situation Report #12 - September 2022 (link)

### **Winterization**

**ACAPS Thematic Report - Ukraine: Overview of winterisation needs and response** – September 2022 (link) An estimated 1.7 million people need winterisation assistance before the upcoming colder temperatures in Ukraine (OCHA 15/07/2022).

### REACH - Winterization 2022/2023: damage to energy infrastructure - August 2022 (link)

Due to significant heating infrastructure damage, preparations for the 2022/2023 winter season may be complicated in Ukraine, especially in areas affected by the conflict.

### <u>CVA</u>

OCHA - Ukraine Cash Working Group Factsheet - August 2022 (link) Describing the 8 Task team rolled out in Ukraine. ACTED, OCHA - Task Team 3: Potential Solutions for Deduplication - April 2022 (link) ACTED, OCHA - Key Agreements on Targeting (Task Team 1) – August 2022 (link)



# 82% Funded

### **KEY FIGURES**

**3,6M** people assisted by MPCA as of 09/09/2022 (link) (1,92M in OCHA dashboard (link)

**\$748M** amount disbursed in MPCA as of 09/09/2022 (link)

# RECOMMENDATIONS

# 74USD - 2200UAH

per person per month / Shelter topups of 130USD per HH

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# Key updates continued - Ukraine

Ukraine: Joint Market Monitoring Initiative (JMMI) Round 3 - June 2022 (link) REACH - Ukraine Focus on Food: Staple Starches prices - July 2022 (link) WFP - Ukraine market analysis for effective WFP interventions - Bi-weekly price monitoring update - July 2022 (link)

### <u>GBV</u>

Generic GBViE Referral Pathway in Ukraine - August 2022 - available in English and Ukrainian (<u>link</u>, <u>link</u>) Describes the process, principles and contacts for GBV specialists to make referrals to other essential services for GBV survivors Terms of Reference for National GBV Sub-Cluster - August 2022 (<u>link</u>) GBV Sub Cluster Capacity Building WG Meeting Minutes – August 2022 (<u>link</u>) Draft Capacity Building Action Plan should be now opened for comments/suggestions by the GBV SC partners.

### **Child Protection**

Child Protection Sub-cluster Meeting minutes - August 2022 (link) (July 2022 – link)

#### Mine action

UNDP - Mine Action - 5W Situation Report- September 2022 (link) (August 2022 – link) 12 active partners. 54,000 beneficiaries reached by physical activities, 3,4M with digital activities.

New assessments and useful guidance - all previous assessments listed on the factsheets are available on the GPC website (link)

#### OCHA - Assessment mapping (link)

### IOM - Ukraine Internal Displacement Report: General Population Survey - Round 8 - August 2022 (link)

**IOM - Ukraine Area Baseline Report Round 10**, Internal Displacement Figures Recorded at Oblast and Raion Level – August 2022 (link) (link to Round 8, link to round 9) (see also map at the end of factsheet. Kyivska, Kharkivska, Poltavska, and Dnipropetrovska oblasts host a high proportion of IDPs in Ukraine.

### REACH - Ukraine: Humanitarian Situation Monitoring - August 2022 (link)

- The most frequently reported concerns across all assessed settlements were safety concerns, disruptions to utilities, access to education, disruptions to transportation or fuel, and access to financial services. In CAA settlements, the same concerns were highlighted by KIs, with access to water (including drinking water) being reported among the top concerns in CAAs.
- In addition to being among the most common concerns across assessed settlements, **car fuel** was also the most frequently reported need by KIs, followed by **financial resources, food, and housing.**
- Lack of money or high prices are a commonly reported barrier to accessing specific services across the assessed sectors, including access to food, access to NFIs, access to healthcare, access to heating during winter, access to education, etc.

**CCCM Cluster, REACH, UNHCR - Collective Site Monitoring (CSM) survey**, Ukraine - Round 2: July 2022 (link) – (Round 1 : June 2022 – link) 58,562 Individuals were reportedly staying in the assessed collective sites on the day of data collection; with a reported overall capacity of monitored sites of 129,397. **67% of sites reported having a referral system** in place by which persons at risk or affected by protection concerns can seek support. **53% of sites reported possibility to inform about GBV** and human trafficking incidents at the site. 32% of sites reported receiving humanitarian assistance in the last 7 days prior to the data collection. KIs reported food products (79%) and hygiene items (45%) as the most frequent type of assistance sites received.

### CCCM Cluster, REACH, UNHCR - Winterization Update: Collective Site Monitoring (CSM) Round 2: July 2022 (link)

21% of monitored sites reportedly will have issues in terms of heating supply this coming winter. 35% of monitored sites reported that light or medium rehabilitation of heating systems was required for winter. 61% of monitored sites reported urgent needs of blankets for residents

### Refugees international - Localizing the International Humanitarian Response in Ukraine – September 2022 (link)

The internationalization of aid undermines Ukrainian organizations' leadership and ownership of the response. Given the strength of the public, private, and civil society sectors, the Ukraine context clearly illustrates the dangers and missed opportunities of building parallel aid structures that disempower local, democratically oriented governance structures.

### HelpAge: Needs of Older People in Ukraine - July 2022 (link)

Priorities of older displaced people: 74% need cash, 70% need medicine and healthcare, 61% need hygiene items. 89% of older people have a health problem, 43% have a disability, 57% struggle to access medication.

### Ukrainian Homecoming: A Study of Refugee Returns from Poland - September (link)

56 per cent of respondents did not engage in any income-generating activities during their periods of stay outside of Ukraine. 50% of survey respondents said their children had not attended school since leaving Ukraine. The main factor driving return for a third of respondents was family reunification and the wish to return to their country.

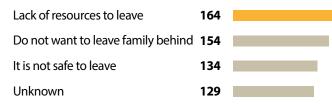
**EC, Gvt of Ukraine, World bank – Rapid Damage and Needs** Assessment (RDNA)- August 2022- (<u>link</u>) The current cost of reconstruction and recovery in Ukraine amounts to \$349 billion (€349 Billion). This figure is expected to grow in the coming months as the war continues.

Mercy Corps - Mental Health & Psychosocial Support Rapid Situational Analysis Ukraine - Kyiv, Odessa & Lviv (April 2022) - (link)

### **IDPs intentions**<sup>1</sup>

10.000.000

Out of 3,190 submissions, the most commonly reported reasons why the population cannot leave were: <sup>1</sup>



### Ukrainian Refugees intentions<sup>2,3,4</sup>

**Poland : 71%** of Ukrainian refugees report plans to stay in their current host country in the near future, with safety, family ties and employment as the main reasons

**Romania : 53%** of Ukrainian refugees report plans to stay in Romania in the near future, with safety, protection procedures and community ties as the main reasons

**Moldova: 53%** of refugees report plans to stay in their current host country in the near future, with safety, family ties and language as the main reasons

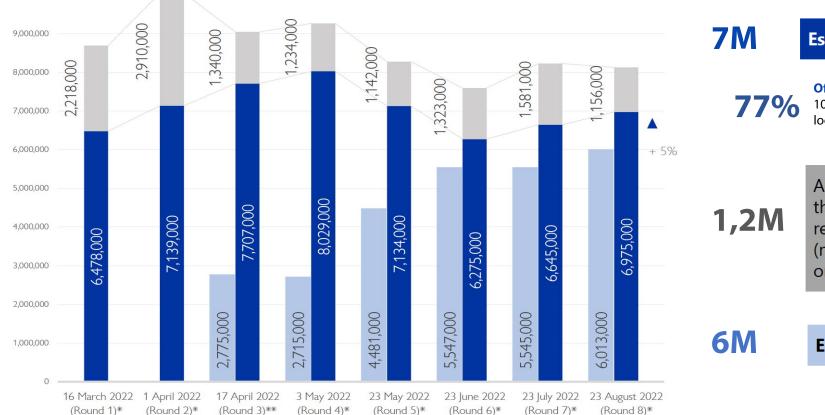
### Internally displaced persons, returnees and actively considering leaving<sup>5</sup>

# Key figures: displacement intentions

**1**. Protection monitoring highlights dashboard, Protection cluster (link)

2. UNHCR, REACH - Profiling update: refugees from Ukraine in Poland – June 2022 (link)
3. UNHCR, REACH - Romania Protection Profiling & Monitoring: Profiles, Needs & Intentions of Refugees from Ukraine - August 2022 (link)

**4.**UNHCR, REACH - Profiling & Monitoring: Profiles, Needs & Intentions of Refugees from Ukraine- August 2022 (link) **5.** IOM Ukraine Internal Displacement Report: General Population Survey - Round 8, 23 August 2022 (link)



### Est. IDPs in Ukraine

**Of Ukrainian IDPs plan to return,** and 10% plan to integrate in their current location (and 9% don't know yet)

Actively **consider leaving** their place of habitual residence due to war (non-displaced population only)

### Est. returnees in Ukraine

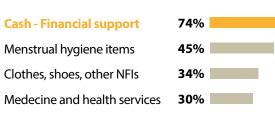
# **Key figures: Top needs**



### Reported needs in Ukraine, according to Ukrainians<sup>1</sup>

### Most commonly reported pressing needs

### IDPs



### Non IDPs

Cash - Financial support	65%
Menstrual hygiene items	36%
Medecine and health services	25%
Food	22%

### Returnees

Cash - Financial support	67%
Menstrual hygiene items	29%
Food	21%
Medecine and health services	20%

### Reported needs of Ukrainians, according to Key informants<sup>6</sup>

Most commonly reported pressing needs (n= 306 KIs)

Food items	73%
Employment	70%
Accommodation	70%
Hygiene products	39%

# Most commonly reported priority needs across all assessed settlements (n= 306 KIs)

Car fuel	58%
Financial resources	25%
Food	22%
None	16%

Most commonly reported population groups that were<br/>less able or unable to meet their everyday needs n=<br/>306 KIs)People with physical disabilities36%Older persons33%Chronically ill people9%Female-headed households3%

# Reported needs of Ukrainian refugees outside Ukraine<sup>2,3,4</sup>

# Most commonly reported pressing needs Poland 54% Cash - Financial support 54% Employment 45% Accomodation 40%

### Romania

Cash - Financial support	38%
Family reunification	28%
Employment	28%

### Moldova

Cash - Financial support	56%
Accomodation	29%
Healthcare	26%

of IDP respondents indicated their households adopted at **least one coping strategy** in reaction to reduced incomes and increased insecurity. Amongst the most reported coping strategies were: Spent savings (75%), saved money on food (68%), Reduced essential non-food expenditure (67%)<sup>1</sup>

# Key figures: Cash, markets



### **Financial services<sup>7</sup>**

In general, **banks**, **ATMs**, **and Ukrposhta services reportedly remained available** across the country similar to the previous month.

Bank branches were reported to be fully available by only 53% and 67% of respondents in the South and East regions, respectively. In Kyiv and the West, the percentage is higher, around 98% and 79%. In May, the national average was 69%.

The region with fewer respondents reporting ATM services being fully available was the North, with about 68% of respondents. In other regions, the percentage ranged between 78% (South) and 98% (Kyiv). In May, the national average was 76%.

### Market functionality<sup>7</sup>

**48%** of retailers reporting difficulties keeping store operational and well-stocked.

Vehicle fuel was reported to be fully available by only 9% of customers across the country, while 63% of customers reported limited availability

Increase of JMMI basket price seems to have spread from East and South to North and West

Availability of food and hygiene items is rising, but supply chains are less reliable with more vendors depending on a single supplier

**Reported inflation continued to rise**, particularly for food items which increased by 17% when compared to February 2022

**Price of rent:** Across the country, rent prices for a 1-room apartment have reportedly increased by 16% when compared to January. In 2021, the increase in the same period was of 3%.

# **936UAH**<sup>7</sup> Full JMMI basket in June 2022\*

\* The JMMI Basket is a subset of the 296-item Minimum Expenditure Basket (MEB) maintained by the State Statistics Service of Ukraine, focusing only on core food and hygiene items that an average household must purchase **on a regular basis. When converting the JIMMI Basket to monthly minimum requirements** (kilocalories and sphere standards), the cost of the JIMMI Basket (food and NFIs) is equivalent to 2,622UAH per capita, per month (including baby NFI kits). This is not reflective of the costs of shelter, estimated by the cluster at 182 USD per family per month to cover costs of rent and utilities.

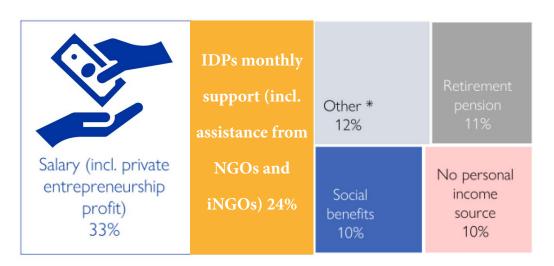
Food	UAH 1,166	(\$31,5)
(Drinking) Water	UAH 610	(\$16,5)
Hygiene products	UAH 126	(\$3,4)
Baby hygiene NFI	UAH 720	(\$19,5)
Total JMMI per month	UAH2,622	(\$71)



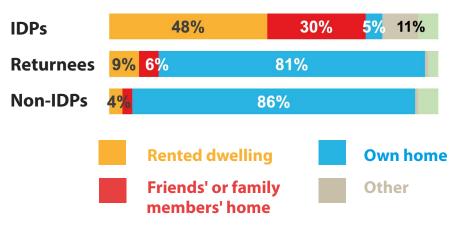
# Employment status in Ukraine amongst IDPs aged 18-64<sup>5</sup>

- **38%** Unemployed (41% of Male, 38% of female respondents)
  - **27%** were actively looking for work
  - ▶ 11% were not searching for employment.
- **31%** in paid work (41% of Male, 38% of female respondents)
- **16%** doing housework (1% of Male, 24% of female respondents)
- **9%** retired

# Main source of personal income after displacement (IDPs aged 18-64<sup>5</sup>



### Housing situation in Ukraine<sup>1</sup>





Of IDPs reported that their **housing is inadequate for winter** 

# Key updates relevant to CVA & protection in **Poland**

### **Funding environment**

### UNHCR - 2022 Funding Update - August 2022 (link)

\$211.2 million - 96% funded. The percentage funded (96%) and total funding amount (\$202,542,667) are indicative. This leaves an indicative funding gap of \$8,698,577 representing 4% of the financial requirements.

### **General response updates**

UNHCR - Ukraine Emergency - Poland Factsheet - August 2022 (link) UNHCR - Ukraine Emergency - Poland Cash Assistance Factsheet - August 2022 (link) UNHCR - Ukraine Emergency – Poland Protection Factsheet - August 2022 (link)

**UNHCR - activity info reporting module step by step** – August 2022 (<u>link</u>) - A results framework has been established to track the performance of the 2022 Poland Refugee Response Plan (RRP) against indicators and to ensure progress against the targets set by partners at the start of the planning process.

### <u>Cash</u>

Poland MPCA response to the Ukraine crisis - 6 months in - September 2022 (link) Priority challenges & needs: Accomodation/ Shelter; Health; Employment/ livelihoods; Legal assistance Most vulnerable groups: Elderly; PwDs; Women with many children; TCNs & Roma Community Children, in particular between 16y.o and 18y.o.;

UNHCR – UNHCR Presence, Blue Dots & Cash Enrollment Centres, as of 24 Aug 2022 (link)

#### <u>GBV</u>

Terms of Reference GBV Sub-Sector Working Group Poland – September 2022 (link)

### GBV Sub-Sector Meeting Minutes Warsaw, Poland – September 2022 (link)

Presentation of GBV risk assessment by Elisabeth Mc Guinness (UNHCR) - Coordination tools for GBV service mapping : link will soon be shared with GBV members.

### New assessments and useful guidance:

# UNHCR, REACH - Regional Protection Profiling & Monitoring: Profiles, Needs & Intentions of Refugees from Ukraine- August 2022 (link)

The main results based on all 14,065 interviews conducted between May and mid-August 2022. The majority of respondents are staying with hosts or in rented accommodation (70%), while 16% are still staying in collective sites. 13% of respondents have relatives in their host country.



# **96% Funded**

### **KEY FIGURES**

90M\$ in CVA to assist refugees from Ukraine (link)261m Ukrainian refugees enrolled for CVA (link)

# RECOMMENDATIONS

# 150USD - 700PLN/

for the 1st person per month + 600PLN per HH member, to a max. of 2.500PLN per HH. (link)

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### UNHCR, REACH - Profiling update: refugees from Ukraine in Poland – June 2022 (link)

- 63% of refugees intend to stay in Poland, at least for some time. For the majority of the respondents, their decision is driven by safety reasons. Those planning to return (22%) are most often motivated by the perception that the situation in Ukraine has improved.
- 78% of the respondents say they are hosted or rent accommodation in Poland (35% and 34% respectively), while 15% of respondents are staying in reception, transit centres and collective sites
- Financial support, access to employment and accommodation are the most frequently reported immediate needs, followed by in-kind assistance and medical treatment. Access to housing is likely to remain one of the main concerns, with rising rental and energy prices in Poland, particularly in the main cities, where most refugees are currently residing. Given that the majority of refugees have vocational and/or university education, support in validation of diplomas and access to job opportunities for women with childcare responsibilities will be crucial to enhance self-reliance and inclusion.

### IOM - Poland: Crossings to Ukraine Surveys 21 April – 21 June 2022 (link)

**ICMPD – Policy paper - Temporary protection in Poland: What solutions for vulnerable groups?** – September 2022 (link) Displacement can compound the existing vulnerabilities of women, children, and the elderly, especially when travelling alone or already being disabled – Supporting persons with special needs is 'not a sprint run but rather a marathon' (link to webarticle from niepelnosprawni.pl)

### **Upcoming assessment**

**REACH - Research Terms of Reference: Multi-Sector Needs Assessment (MSNA) Light** - August 2022 (link) - Data will be collected on 22/09/2022 on 1200 households - final presentation to be expected end of October.

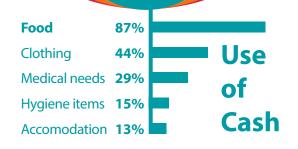
Poland MPCA response to the Ukraine crisis - 6 months in - September 2022 (link)

# Average Polish Income: 9300PLN

Estimated amount to cover basic needs:7000PLN

# Rent: 3.000PLN

CVA amount: 2.540PLN

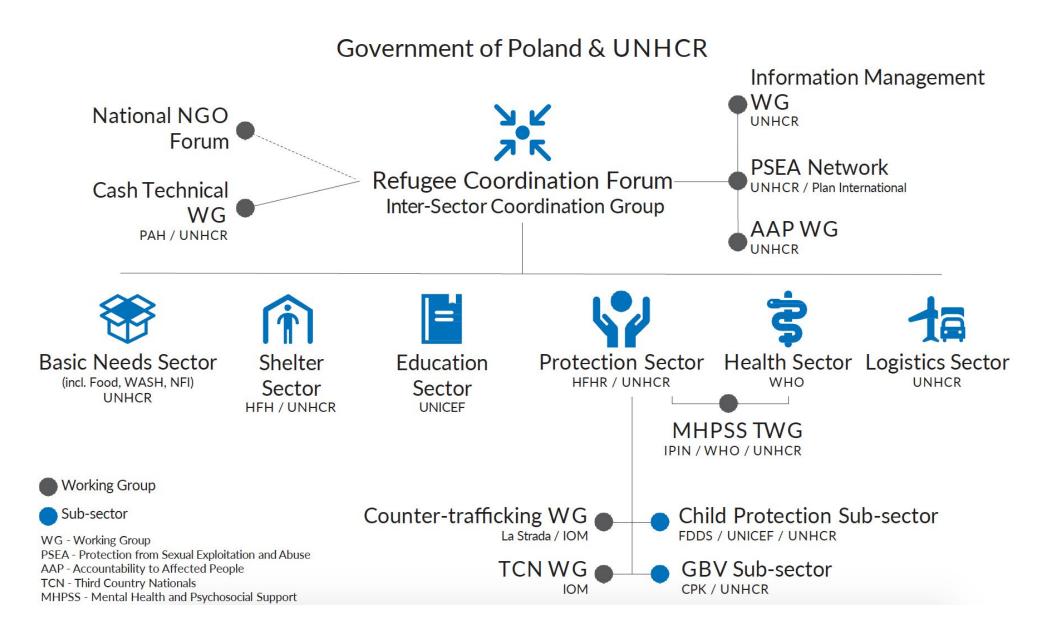


44%

of respondents were able to meet less than 75% of their basic needs

# Key updates continued - Poland

**Refugee coordination architecture in Poland (link)** 



# Key updates relevant to CVA & protection in **Romania**

### **Funding environment**

**UNHCR – 2022 funding update** (link)<sup>1</sup> UNHCR's financial requirements 2022 - \$147.4 million - 84% funded.

### **General updates**

### UNHCR - Ukraine Refugee Situation Update, Update #12 - September 2022 (link)

81,158 refugees are currently in Romania, with 61,558 refugees registered for temporary protection in Romania (as of 4 September 2022). 18,225 refugees enrolled for UNHCR cash assistance. 35,865 refugees provided with information and counselling in person or over the phone

**UNHCR - Regional Refugee Response Plan for the Ukraine Situation** - Inter-Agency Operational Update: Romania - August 2022 (link)

### Protection: Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

The lack of data on refugees' residence locations remains a significant challenge for partners in the RRP, particularly for outreach and targeting of programmes.

RRP partners have been reporting challenges for refugees in accessing health care due to language barriers and technical difficulties to register with a family doctor.

### **AAP:** Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

Messaging to and the development of appropriate communication channels to better reach older people and people with disabilities is paramount. Coordination with organizations working for People with Special Need (PwSN) will be enhanced to cover this identified need.

### **Child Protection:** Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

There is a continued need for the provision of psychosocial support services and Ukrainian/Russian-speaking psychologists and specialists. There is a need to improve and formalize SoPs for the referral of identified child protection cases to specialised service providers. As part of the winter preparations some Blue Dots based in tents could benefit from replacement with containers, heating, and enhancing access for people with disabilities.

### **<u>GBV</u>**: Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

There is a need to further work on the mainstreaming of 'prevention and response to GBV' within all the sectors and activities of the RRP partners, with support of the inter-sector team and to raise awareness on GBV and available GBV services to refugees.

# 84% Funded

### **KEY FIGURES**

81,158 refugees
remained in Romania (link)
16,881 refugees have
benefitted from CVA (link)

## CVA RECOMMENDATIONS

**120USD** per person per month (568RON)

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### **Trafficking in Persons:** Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

The vetting system for accommodation being provided to refugees should be strengthened and there is a need for specialized accommodation centres for unaccompanied children (UAC) who are victims of trafficking.

Enhanced monitoring and support for UACs placed within foster families should be developed – in coordination with the child protection working sub-working group.

### **CVA:** Achievements and impact

UNHCR, Romanian Red Cross (RRC) and Oxfam are jointly working on designing and conducting a rapid market assessment for cash for winterization. A data sharing agreement was developed and now pending signature by participating agencies in the Cash Working Group.

### UNHCR Romania Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance Factsheet - September 2022 (link)

Some 18,225 refugees from Ukraine enrolled for cash assistance in Romania. 90% of the refugees enrolled are women and children. 5 enrollment centres in Brasov, Bucharest, Galati, Iasi and Suceava. Cash has been transferred to over 16,881 people.

### New assessments and useful guidance

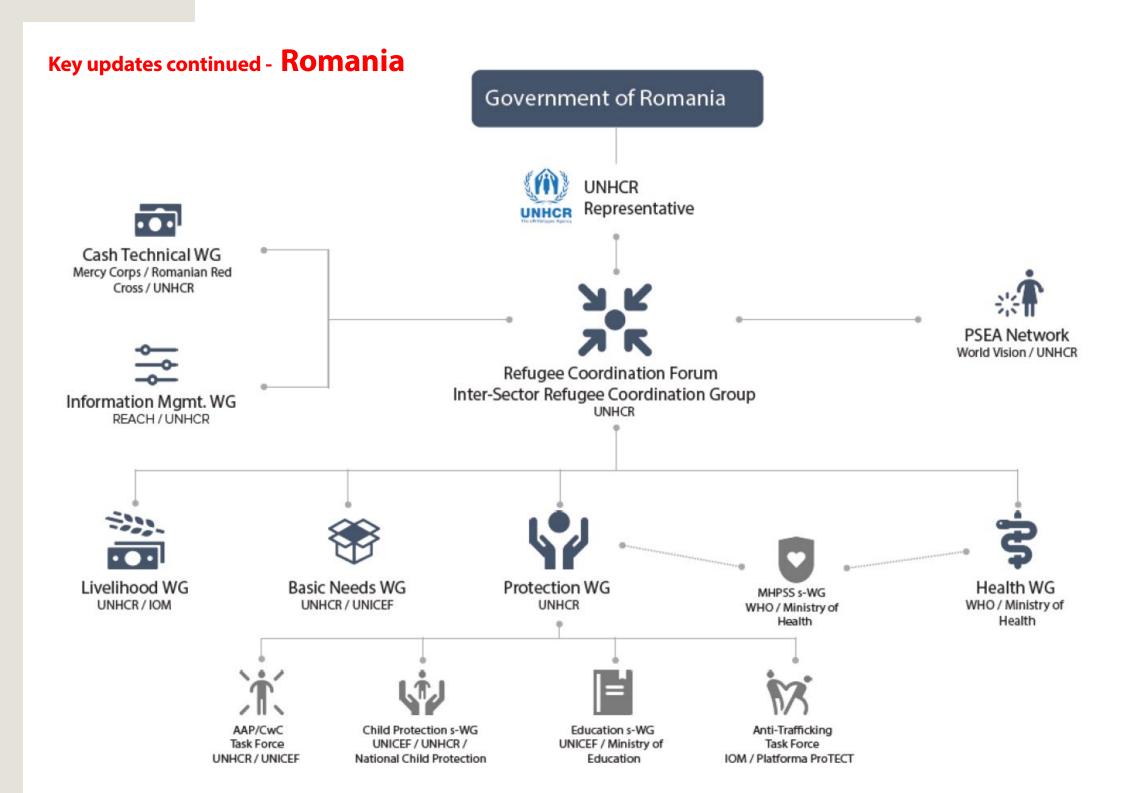
**REACH, UNHCR – Overview of Refugee Accommodation Centres** - August 2022 (link) – 15% of places in RACs are currently occupied, 85% are available.

**UNHCR, REACH - Romania Protection Profiling & Monitoring: Profiles, Needs & Intentions of Refugees from Ukraine** - August 2022 (link) Main results based on 3,240 interviews conducted between May and midAugust 2022.

More than half (53%) report plans to stay in Romania in the near future, with safety, protection procedures and community ties as the main reasons

Half of the respondents are staying Government and civil society provided accommodation (50%), while 35% are staying in hosted accommodation. 14% of respondents are renting on their own or have other arrangements.

### The top three urgent needs reported by respondents are cash assistance (38%), family reunification (28%) and employment. (28%)



# Key updates relevant to CVA & protection in Moldova

### **Operational updates**

OCHA - New winterization campaign dashboard (<u>link</u>) OCHA - Operation data portal – interactive dashboards (<u>link</u>)

### UNHCR - Refugee Coordination Forum Meeting Minutes - August 2022 (link)

Planning Assumptions and Figures 2022-23: an additional refugee influx is expected due to winter reasons. The estimated number of new arrivals is 40,000 in addition to the 89,000 refugees already in Moldova, and in top of regular fluctuations on refugee population.

Government Response Financial Aid for Winter Period: **A monthly payment on the value of 700 MDL (36.5 USD)** will be made to persons receiving state pensions and/or social allowances with low income from November 2022 to March

### 2022. Release of the Joint Winterization Plan: 15 September

UNHCR - Moldova Operations Update, Ukraine Refugee Situation - August 2022 (link)

On 4 august, the MFA and UNHCR signed a MoU.

90,525 Ukrainian refugees remaining in Moldova: 60% females, 49% children, 15% elderly - 4,223 third-country nationals have remained in the Republic of Moldova

UNHCR - Gagauzia Local Refugee Coordination Forum Meeting Minutes – August 2022 (link)

Presentation of the Refugee Coordination Forum (RCF) and main ongoing activities; Temporary Protection and CBI/ cash interventions; and Community and Information Centers

**Gvt of Moldova, Moldova Refugee Accommodation Centre (RAC) Weekly Needs Monitoring, Update – August 2022** (link) 5542 total available places , with 2466 free spaces - 3,055 refugees hosted in 73 refugee accommodation centres supported by UNHCR

### <u>CVA :</u>

**Gvt of Moldova, UNHCR - Strategic Directions for Cash Assistance in** Moldova - Cash Working Group - June 2022 (link)

### **Protection:**

UNHCR - Protection Working Group Meeting Minutes - August 2022 (link) Mental Health and Psychosocial Support TWG Meeting Minutes - August 2022 (link)

<u>GBV</u>: UNFPA, UNHCR - GBV Sub-working meeting minutes – August 2022 (<u>link</u>) link to 5W (<u>link</u>); Contact list information of members of the SWG. (<u>link</u>); GBV Referral Pathways (<u>link</u>) Gender-Based Violence Sub-Working Group Update #04 – July (<u>link</u>)

<u>CP:</u> Child Protection Sub Working Group Meeting Minutes- August 2022 (link) UNHCR, UNICEF – CP sub-working group Blue dot Presentation – September 2022 (link)



### **KEY FIGURES**

**79m** indiv. received cash assistance in Moldova (link)

**30M\$** distributed MPCA as August 2022 (link)

## CVA RECOMMENDATIONS

USD120 (2200 MDL) Montly cash grant per person (UN-HCR cash update

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**<u>Roma Community:</u>** UNHCR - Roma Task Force Meeting Minutes - July 2022 (link) PSEA : **PSEA Network Factsheet N. 1** - September 2022 (link) - Contacts: Diego Nardi, Inter-Agency Coordination Officer – \_nardid@unhcr.org - PSEA Network Website (link)

AAP: Gvt of Moldova, UNHCR - Accountability to Affected Population Task Force Meeting Minutes - September 2022 (link)

### **Assessments**

**UNDP: Inclusion and Livelihoods - Human Mobility Analysis and Mapping of the Refugees' Needs by use of alternative data** – August 2022 (<u>link</u>) - Needs of refugees, length of stay and employability, using the list of Prepay numbers distributed by Orange MD (~49'000 numbers) - To improve turnout, respondents received a bonus.

### CCR, INTERSOS, REACH- Protection Monitoring Factsheet - August 2022 (link)

Findings of 1,196 surveys collected in June 2022.

**Cash is the most commonly reported humanitarian need** as a 1<sup>st</sup> priority (37% of respondents) and 2<sup>nd</sup> priority (16%), before accommodation as 1<sup>st</sup> priority (17%) and 2<sup>nd</sup> priority (7%) - 43% of respondents reported willing to "stay here", 27% to go to another country.

### IOM - Republic of Moldova Displacement Data Analysis on Third Country Nationals

-August 2022 (link) Third country nationals represent 8% of all entries to the Republic of Moldova from Ukraine ; with 4,234TCNs PRESENT in the country. The top countries of origin of those entering the Republic of Moldova so far were Azerbaijan (15%), Russian Federation (11%), China and Türkiye (8% each)

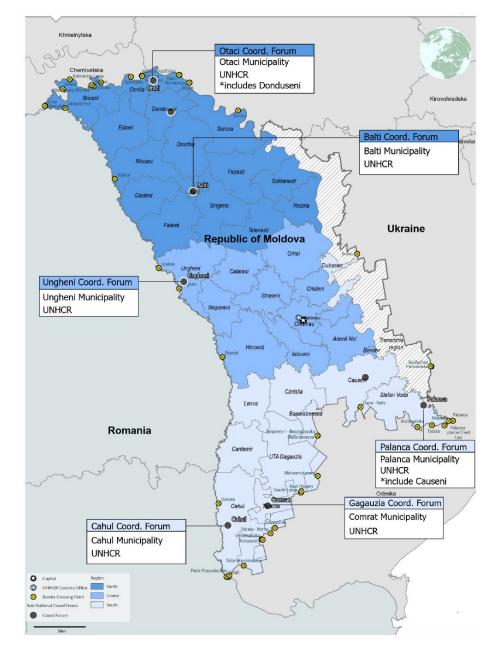
# UNHCR, REACH - Profiling & Monitoring: Profiles, Needs & Intentions of Refugees from Ukraine- August 2022 (link)

Based on 4,552 interviews conducted between May and mid-August 2022. While the findings vary based on the place of the interview, more than half of the respondents (53%) report plans to stay in their current host country in the near future, with safety, family ties and language as the main reasons.

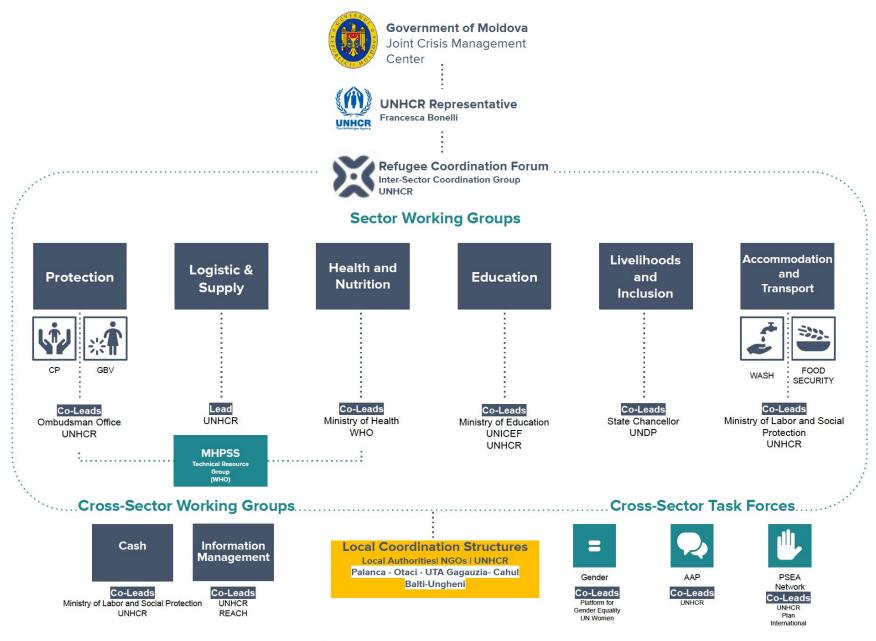
The majority (82%) of the refugees currently in Moldova are female, children, and elderly persons. The majority of respondents are staying in hosted or rented accommodation (65%), while 28% are still staying in reception or transit centres.

The top three urgent needs reported by respondents are cash (56% of respondents), accommodation (29%) and healthcare (26%).

### Republic of Moldova Local Refugee Coordination Forum; as of 5 September - OCHA (link)



### Ukraine refugee situation coordination architecture in Moldova, as of 05/09/2022 (link)



GBV Sub Working Group Co-Leads: UNHCR and UNFPA | Child Protection Sub Working Group Co-Leads: UNHCR and UNICEF | WASH Sub Working Group: UNICEF | Food Security Sub Working Group: WFP

# Annexes - relevant maps for the Ukraine response

### Internal displacement figures recorded at Oblast and Raion level, as of 19/08/2022 - IOM (link)

