

## Purpose of this factsheet:

This factsheet aims at contributing to the quality implementation of humanitarian cash for protection for Ukraine and the region that is presented in the Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) and in the Regional Refugee Response Plan (RRP), as published on 15 February 2023. As a reminder, in support of the respective national governments, the coordination of the HRP is led by OCHA, while UNHCR leads the coordination of the refugee response.

## HOT TOPICS AND QUESTIONS OF THE MOMENT

- ➔ **Inside Ukraine:**  
How can CVA (Cash & Voucher Assistance) be used to support evacuations?
- ➔ **Outside Ukraine:**  
Are the amounts made available to Ukrainian refugees as part of national protection schemes sufficient to meet their basic and protection needs?
- ➔ **Inside and outside Ukraine:**  
What is the difference between Cash for Protection, Emergency Case Management and Individual protection assistance?
- ➔ What type of information on children should and should not be collected at enrolment stage, considering data protection risks? (Ex: birth certificates)
- ➔ Closure of community centres - how to ensure a protective shelter and environment for families?
- ➔ What would the implications be of setting more restrictive selection criterias for cash assistance?
- ➔ How to mitigate existing/future protection risks associated with lack of available and affordable shelter options?
- ➔ Should the CVA assistance still be limited to 3 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?

## KEY FIGURES

**5,4M** estimated number of Ukrainian IDPs ([link](#))

**5,9M** refugees fleeing Ukraine recorded in Europe ([link](#))

**5,4M** people have benefitted from humanitarian assistance ([link](#))

*Map: this factsheet covers updates in Cash and in Protection in the following countries:*



## Role of the C4PTF in Ukraine ([link to website](#))

- ➔ Provide technical guidance on the design of CVA & Protection assessments and activities and analysis of findings, including through the dissemination of tools and key resources
- ➔ Offer a space for collaboration and discussion to address key CVA and Protection challenges that emerge, ensuring sharing of best practices and lessons learnt.
- ➔ Adapt global guidance and tools to the Ukrainian response

# Key links for Cash for Protection in the Ukrainian regional response (link to website)

Coordination tools in grey - General guidance in pale blue - CP4TF resources in green

## PROTECTION MONITORING HIGHLIGHTS

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

## MEAL INDICATORS - CVA & PROTECTION

→ C4PTF recommended indicators for programs using CVA combined with Protection activities

## PROTECTION RISK ANALYSIS FOR CVA

→ C4PTF mapping of the different protection risks that refugees and IDPs are facing in Ukraine

## UKRAINE CASH WORKING GROUP PAGE

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

## CONSIDERING PROTECTION WITH MEB

→ C4PTF resource on how to consider protection aspects when designing a MEB: key protection risks & costs

## KEY CONSIDERATIONS FOR CVA & CP

→ C4PTF general guidance on how to implement CVA to achieve Child Protection outcomes.

## GLOBAL CASH 4 PROTECTION WEBSITE

→ Cash for protection resource library

## RESOURCES FOR UKRAINE RESPONSE

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

## GPC - CASH FOR PROTECTION DEFINITIONS - WORKING DOCUMENT

## UKRAINE 3W OPERATIONAL PRESENCE

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

## GBV MONITORING TOOLKIT

→ Instructs cash practitioners to adapt CBI monitoring systems to reflect protection risks

## SAVE THE CHILDREN CVA AND CP TOOLKIT

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

## TRICLUSTER DASHBOARD

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

## USING CVA TO PROTECT CHILDREN

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

## CVA & GBV COMPENDIUM: A TOOLKIT

→ Guidelines for Integrating Gender-Based Violence Interventions in Humanitarian Action

## UKRAINE 2023 CVA DASHBOARD

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

## STC CP & CVA MEAL TOOLKIT

→ To assess, address and monitor Direct and indirect impact on CP concern, and CP benefits of CVA.

## GBV CONSIDERATION IN UKRAINE

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

## Key contacts in the C4PTF

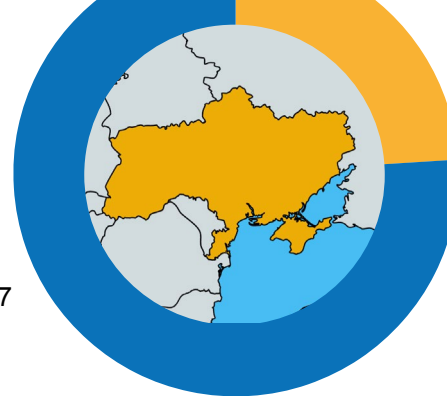


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# Key updates relevant to CVA & protection in Ukraine



24% Funded (of \$3,9bn)<sup>1</sup>

## KEY FIGURES

**2,1M** people assisted by MPCA as of 30/04/2023 ([link](#))

**\$1Bn** amount disbursed in MPCA as of 8/12/2022 ([link](#))

## CVA

### RECOMMENDATIONS

**74USD - 2200UAH**  
per person per month / Shelter top-ups of 130USD per HH

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**New Ukraine Protection Cluster Organogram, as of June 2023 ([link](#))**

### General response updates - in Ukraine

OCHA - Ukraine Humanitarian Response 2023: Situation Report, 26 May 2023 ([link](#))

UNHCR - Ukraine Emergency: UNHCR Operational Response, Delivery Updates (17 May 2023) ([link](#)) 4.32 million people reached with UNHCR assistance in 2022

UNHCR - Ukraine: UNHCR Monthly Operational Update, March 2023 ([link](#))

OCHA - Ukraine: 2023 Humanitarian Response Plan Funding Snapshot (as of 4 May 2023) ([link](#))

OCHA - Information Sharing Protocol Ukraine, 17 May 2023 ([link](#)) - Establishes a collective framework for information and data exchange on the basis of a common data and information sensitivity classification.

IMC - Ukraine Crisis - Situation Report #28 (May 16, 2023) ([link](#))

WFP - Situation Report – Ukraine ([link](#))

UNFPA - Ukraine Humanitarian Snapshot #20, 1 - 30 April 2023 ([link](#))

UNICEF - Ukraine Humanitarian Situation Report No. 27: 1 – 30 April 2023 ([link](#))

OCHA - Ukraine: Deterioration of the humanitarian situation in Donetsk oblast - Flash Update #4: Lyman - ([link](#))

OCHA - Ukraine MPC response: areas falling under 30km buffer from the front line and international border ([link](#))

### Cash updates

OCHA - Ukraine Cash Working Group Meeting minutes, 24 May 2023 ([link](#)) & 10 May 2023 ([link](#)) (previous minutes: [link](#))

→ OCHA - AAP - Updated list of iNGOs and NGOs providing MPCA ([link](#))

→ REACH - JMMI Dashboard ([link](#))

→ IOM, OCHA - MPCA targeting framework, May 2023 ([link](#))

### Protection - General updates

Protection Cluster, UNHCR - Ukraine: Protection Cluster - National Meeting Minutes (4 May 2023) ([link](#))

Protection Cluster, UNHCR - Updated Organogram, June 2023 ([link](#))

### PSEA

OCHA, UNCT Ukraine - Minutes of the Inter-Agency PSEA Network meetings in Ukraine (15 May 2023) ([link](#))

Support Eastern Hub: Safeguarding Resource: resource library with over 100 resources on safeguarding/PSEA ([link](#))

UNCT Ukraine - Summary Conclusions: Roundtable on the Operationalization of the Multi-Year Strategy on Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse in Ukraine 2023 (April 2023) ([link](#))

1. OCHA - Ukraine Humanitarian Response 2023: Situation Report, 26 May 2023 ([link](#)) - Funding as of May 2023.

## Key updates continued - Ukraine

### GBV

**GBV Case Management Task Team meeting notes** - 19 May 2023 ([link](#))

**GBV Subcluster Working Group on Addressing the Needs of Male Survivors of Sexual Violence** ([link](#))

**Protection Cluster, UNFPA - GBV SC Coordination Meeting Notes**, 04 May 2023 ([link](#)) - **Capacity Enhancement Working Group Meeting Notes** ([link](#)) - **SC sub-national East/South Working Group Meeting Notes** 14 April 2023 ([link](#))

**Protection Cluster, UNFPA - Gender Based Violence Risk Prevention, Mitigation and Response in Collective/ Transit Centers in Ukraine - Inter-Cluster Work Plan 2023** ([link](#))

**Ukraine: GBV Subcluster Working Group on Addressing the Needs of Male Survivors of Sexual Violence**, 20 April 2023 ([link](#))

### Older persons

**OHCHR - The Human Rights situation of older persons in Ukraine in the context of the armed attack by the Russian Federation** ([link](#)) UN report -

The UN found that older people on both sides of the frontline were hit exceptionally hard by power outages, water cuts as well as a lack of access to health services, medication and pensions that for most were the only source of income. Those depending entirely on their old age pensions for survival had to undertake perilous journeys across frontline areas to collect their pensions.

**CARE - CARE Responds to New UN Report that Sheds Light on the Situation for Elderly People in Ukraine** ([link](#))

### Mine Action

**Ukraine: Mine Action 2023 Monitoring - 5W Situation Report** (As of 05 May 2023) ([link](#)) - 839,685 beneficiaries reached

**UNCP - Ukraine: Explosive Ordnance Risk Education (EORE) for humanitarian actors to promote staff safety and project planning**, 15.05.2023 ([link](#))

### PwDs

**IDA - The situation of persons with disabilities in the context of the war of aggression by Russia against Ukraine** ([link](#)) -

This report focuses on the voices of persons with disabilities themselves, through extensive personal testimony from persons with disabilities and some of their representative organizations with the aim of encouraging more disability- inclusive rights protection and humanitarian response.

→ [UNHCR - UKRAINE HOTLINE LIST](#)

→ [GBV REFERRAL PATHWAYS - UKRAINE](#)

→ [REGIONAL PSEA AND SAFEGUARDING NETWORK](#)

# Key updates continued - Ukraine

All previous assessments listed on the factsheets are available on the GPC website ([link](#)) and OCHA - Assessment mapping ([link](#))

## Assessments

### CCCM cluster, REACH, UNHCR - Ukraine Collective Site Monitoring: Round 7, March 2023 Brief ([link](#))

- Humanitarian assistance: 58% of the collective sites (CSs) reportedly received humanitarian aid in the 30 days prior to data collection.
- Humanitarian needs: Food products remain top of the list of urgent needs, which was reported by 30% of site managers.

### REACH - Research Terms of Reference Rapid Economic Assessment 31/05/2023 ([link](#))

- To improve information availability on how certain social and economic impacts of the war have contributed to reduced access to livelihoods among women and other marginalised/vulnerable groups,<sup>1</sup> as well as identify gaps in existing labour market support and livelihoods-related social service

## Area-based assessments

**Hungarian Interchurch Aid: Multi-sector needs assessment among people living at different distances from the frontline in Kharkiv, Donetsk, Zaporizhzhia & Kherson Oblasts** (March - April, 2023) ([link](#)) - The research objective was to explore the different characteristics, needs, problems and helping relationships of people living at different distances from the frontline.

**COAR - Kharkiv Location Profile**, September 2022) ([link](#)) – **Rivne Location profile**, December 2022 ([link](#))

**REACH, WFP - Ukraine Multi-Sector Needs Assessment - A brief look at inaccessible areas, May 2023** ([link](#)) - 268 settlement-level interviews were conducted between November 2022 and January 2023.

- The most commonly reported concerns for inaccessible settlements were "safety concerns" (54%) , access to medicines (46%), access to healthcare services (40%), access to financial services (40%)
- The average household income was nearly three times smaller compared to accessible areas (for those reporting non-zero income, for households they are familiar with in the settlement)
- More than four in ten AoK respondents claimed that a household they are familiar with in the settlement had zero income in the 30 days prior to the survey

### Most commonly reported needs in the settlements in the 30 days prior to data collection

Food	69%	<div style="width: 69%;"></div>
Drinking water	55%	<div style="width: 55%;"></div>
Provision of medicine	36%	<div style="width: 36%;"></div>
Healthcare	28%	<div style="width: 28%;"></div>

## Regional / General Updates on Refugees from Ukraine ([link](#))

**UNHCR - Ukraine Refugee Situation - RRP Achievements: Quarterly Inter-Agency Regional Snapshot** (January to March 2023) ([link](#))

**UNFPA - Ukraine Emergency Situation Report #18** -17 May, 2023 ([link](#))

**UNHCR - Ukraine Situation Flash Update #47** (19 May 2023) ([link](#))

### Assessments

**UNHCR - Regional Protection Profiling & Monitoring - Protection Risks and Needs of Refugees from Ukraine - dashboard** ([link](#))

- A revised protection monitoring questionnaire was used to complete 17,708 interviews in Hungary, Moldova, Poland, Romania, and Slovakia between October 2022 and mid-February 2023.

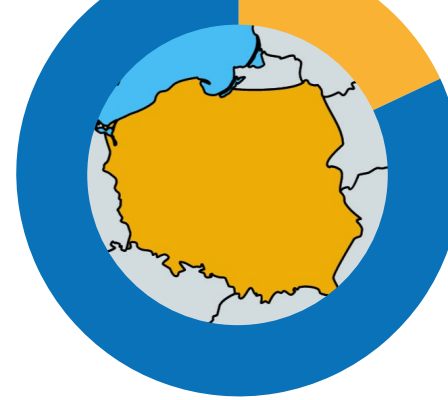
**UNHCR - Displacement Patterns, Protection Risks and Needs of Refugees from Ukraine - Regional Protection Analysis # 2** ([link](#))

**UNHCR – Ukraine Situation outcomes of cash assistance: findings from Post-Distribution Monitoring** ([link](#))

Data collection conducted in Ukraine, Poland, Moldova, Romania, Slovakia, Bulgaria, covering 2,375 PDM interviews conducted between September and December 2022.

- Almost 80% of respondents preferred cash as an assistance modality, while the remaining 20% indicated a preference for a combination of cash and in-kind.
- Only a minority of respondents (6%) reported challenges with receiving, keeping or spending the cash.
- Equally, only a minority (6%) reported feeling at risk when receiving or spending the assistance, although this was mostly reported by recipients in Ukraine rather than refugees (7% vs. 1%).
- Less than a third of respondents knew how to report complaints and feedback, with a higher proportion (over 40%) in Poland and Slovakia
- The vast majority of respondents (93%) reported having access to the services and items they needed in markets and shops.
- By far the main immediate basic need that refugees and war-affected people reported spending their money on is food (81%).
- In all countries, the majority of respondents felt that the assistance had significantly or moderately contributed to: Improving their living conditions (66%) / Reducing their feeling of stress (66%) / Reducing their financial burden (72%)
- In Ukraine, a higher percentage of recipients (64%) reported engaging in adverse coping strategies compared to refugees (28%) in the four weeks leading up to the interview. The most frequent strategy reported among both population groups was reduced expenditure on household items, education or health to meet their food needs, with a smaller proportion reporting taking out loans.

**DFS - Ukrainian Conflict Analysis Brief - The impact of one year of conflict on Women and Children in Ukraine** (19 May 2023) ([link](#))



18% Funded (of \$103M)<sup>1</sup>

## Key updates relevant to CVA & protection in Poland

### Overall updates

UNHCR Poland Operational Update, 15 May 2023 ([link](#))

Protection Working Group, UNHCR - Poland: Protection Sector Terms of Reference ([link](#))

PAH, UNHCR - Poland: Cash Working Group - Guidance Note - MPCA Transfer Values, July 2023 onwards ([link](#))

- Using the same methodology as the last year, the Survival MEB in 20224 (775 PLN per person), adjusted by inflation and CPI5 (6%), gives the transfer value of 820 PLN per person

UNHCR - Poland: Funding Opportunities for Polish NGOs, 26 May 2023 ([link](#))

UNHCR - Ukraine Emergency - UNHCR Poland Factsheet, 01 May 2023 ([link](#))

UNHCR - 2023's Poland PSEA network action plan: Working together for preventing and responding to sexual exploitation and abuse in the refugee response in Poland ([link](#))

UNHCR - Poland: 2023 Regional Refugee Response Plan - Reporting Guidelines ([link](#)) in Polish ([link](#))

2023 PSEA Network Action Plan ([link](#))



INTER-AGENCY COMPLAINTS  
REFERRAL FOR SEA ALLEGATIONS



GBV REFERRAL PATHWAYS - POLAND

### CVA RECOMMENDATIONS

**195USD - 820PLN**  
for the 1st person per month +  
**820PLN** per HH member, to a  
max. of 4,100PLN per HH ([link](#))

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1. UNHCR Poland Operational Update, 15 May 2023 ([link](#))



## Focus - key findings of UNHCR Regional Protection analysis#2\* (link) Findings from Ukrainian refugees in Poland with 19,724 Respondents- Last update 8 may 2023

**25%** of households contain at least one member with a specific need.

These households encounter difficulties meeting their needs in host countries, leading to increased protection risks and potential influence on return decisions, even in sub-optimal conditions in Ukraine.

**42%** of respondents are staying in rented accommodation

10% of respondents will need to find new accommodation in less than three months, mainly due to the termination of free accommodation programmes.

### Most commonly reported current activity in the host country

Employed	30%	
Unemployed	22%	
Retired	18%	

**83%** of respondents reported at least one urgent need

**83%** of respondents who have urgent needs prefer to receive support as cash

### Most commonly reported urgent need

Material assistance	47%	
Employment	36%	
Healthcare	35%	
Accommodation	30%	
Food	26%	

### Most commonly reported Information needs

Financial aid	47%	
Job opportunities	30%	
Healthcare	25%	
Legal status	21%	
None	19%	

\* UNHCR - Displacement Patterns, Protection Risks and Needs of Refugees from Ukraine - Regional Protection Analysis # 2 (link)



## Refugee coordination forum in Poland (link)

The Government of Poland leads the refugee response, complemented by activities of humanitarian organizations. The work of the humanitarian organizations which are part the refugee response is coordinated through the Refugee Coordination Model (RCM).

Since March 2022, the RCM has been adopted to respond to the sudden influx of refugees from Ukraine. In Poland, the RCM is coordinated through the Inter-Sector Coordination Group (ISCG). The RCM facilitates interventions that are in line with government priorities while maximizing resource complementarity and impact. At the national level, the ISCG in Poland consists of the sectors as outlined on this page. Additionally, several working groups and networks are reporting to the ISCG. Taking a localized approach, aside of the national structure, inter-agency Refugee Coordination Fora (RCF) are established in Mazowieckie (Warsaw), Malopolskie (Krakow), Lubelskie (Lublin) and Podkarpackie (Rzeszow).

The RCM maximizes opportunities for cross-fertilization in the implementation of the Refugee Response Plan 2023 through the ISCG and RCF architecture, enabling participating organizations to build on tangible achievements made in 2022.

\* - including mental health and psycho-social support working group jointly with the protection sector

The **Government of Poland** has the primary responsibility of the refugee response. Under the Refugee Coordination Model, the **UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR)** coordinates the complementary activities of humanitarian actors.




→ **POLAND CASH TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP**

→ **POLAND PSEA NETWORK**

### WORKING GROUPS & NETWORKS

- Accountability to Affected Populations** UNHCR / TBC  
**Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse Network** UNHCR/FDDS/Plan International
- Basic Needs (NFI, WASH, Food Security)** UNHCR / TBC
- Cash-based Interventions** UNHCR / Polish Humanitarian Action
- Information Management** UNHCR
- NGO Forum "Razem"** Polish Humanitarian Action

 Coordination Meeting  
Calendar & [Contact List](#)

**Podkarpackie**  
Rzeszow

**Malopolskie**  
Krakow

**Lubelskie**  
Lublin

SUBNATIONAL  
COORDINATION



## Key updates relevant to CVA & protection in Romania

### General updates

UNHCR Romania - Ukraine Refugee Situation Update, Update #48 - 26 May 2023 ([link](#)); #47 - 19 May 2023 ([link](#)) - #46 ([link](#)) - #45 ([link](#))

UNHCR - Romania PSEA network - MoM ([link](#)): Romania Anti-Trafficking TF - MoM ([link](#))

UNHCR - Ukraine Situation Inter-Agency Romania Update April 2023 ([link](#))

### Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps:

**Protection:** The end of the 50/20 program and the delays with the disbursement of housing costs for January-March 2023 to Romanian hosts, as well as the uncertainties around the conditionalities in the new housing and integration support program, continued to lead to reported evictions of refugees from their accommodation. During April, protection partners have continued to prioritize information provision and counselling to support the dissemination of information on the new programme as it has become available and helped to address the needs of evicted refugees.

**Child protection:** In the monthly Child Protection Sub-WG, partners discussed the limited information available on children with disabilities and have requested more desegregated data from NAPCRA on children identified with disabilities through the PRIMERO registration exercise.

**GBV:** Through the awareness sessions at the police, it has been highlighted the need of reinforcing concepts of GBV and domestic violence among the specialist in front line response. The uncertainty of 50/20 program has been a major concern among communities. Many fears of eviction due to the termination of the program and misinformation and speculations are amid confusion.

**Cash assistance:** The deduplication is happening only with small number of partners as the deduplication Data Sharing Agreement is not signed yet by partners that providing cash/voucher assistance. More trainings are needed for the organizations participating in the deduplication to further utilize UNHCR the deduplication Tool (RAIS).

**MHPSS:** Specialized support is still limited to services that must be paid by the Ukrainian nationals. Children and adults living in independent apartments still do not have access to many opportunities for MHPSS activities.

**PSEA :** The Safeguarding Hub Eastern Europe published the Disability Inclusive Safeguarding - Regional Review (Moldova, Poland and Romania) that set out to understand the safeguarding needs of organizations of people with disabilities (OPDs) and Ukrainian refugees with disabilities. ([link](#))

## CVA RECOMMENDATIONS

120USD per person per  
month (568RON)

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1. UNHCR Romania - Ukraine Refugee Situation Update, Update #48 - 26 May 2023 ([link](#))



## Focus - key findings of UNHCR Regional Protection analysis#2\* (link)

Findings from Ukrainian refugees in Romania with 1,636 Respondents- Last update 8 may 2023

**15%** of households contain at least one member with a specific need.

These households encounter difficulties meeting their needs in host countries, leading to increased protection risks and potential influence on return decisions, even in sub-optimal conditions in Ukraine.

**66%** of respondents are staying in rented accommodation

4% of respondents will need to find new accommodation in less than three months, mainly due to the termination of free accommodation programmes.

### *Most commonly reported current activity in the host country*

Family responsibilities	<b>24%</b>	<div style="width: 24%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>
Employed	<b>19%</b>	<div style="width: 19%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>
Unemployed	<b>17%</b>	<div style="width: 17%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>

**86%** of respondents reported at least one urgent need

**75%** of respondents who have urgent needs prefer to receive support as cash

### *Most commonly reported urgent need*

Accommodation	<b>42%</b>	<div style="width: 42%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>
Material assistance	<b>42%</b>	<div style="width: 42%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>
Employment	<b>41%</b>	<div style="width: 41%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>
Education	<b>40%</b>	<div style="width: 40%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>
Food	<b>30%</b>	<div style="width: 30%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>

### *Most commonly reported information needs*

Financial aid	<b>39%</b>	<div style="width: 39%; height: 10px; background-color: #FFC000;"></div>
Job opportunities	<b>31%</b>	<div style="width: 31%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>
Healthcare	<b>29%</b>	<div style="width: 29%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>
Accommodation	<b>27%</b>	<div style="width: 27%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>
Education	<b>21%</b>	<div style="width: 21%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>

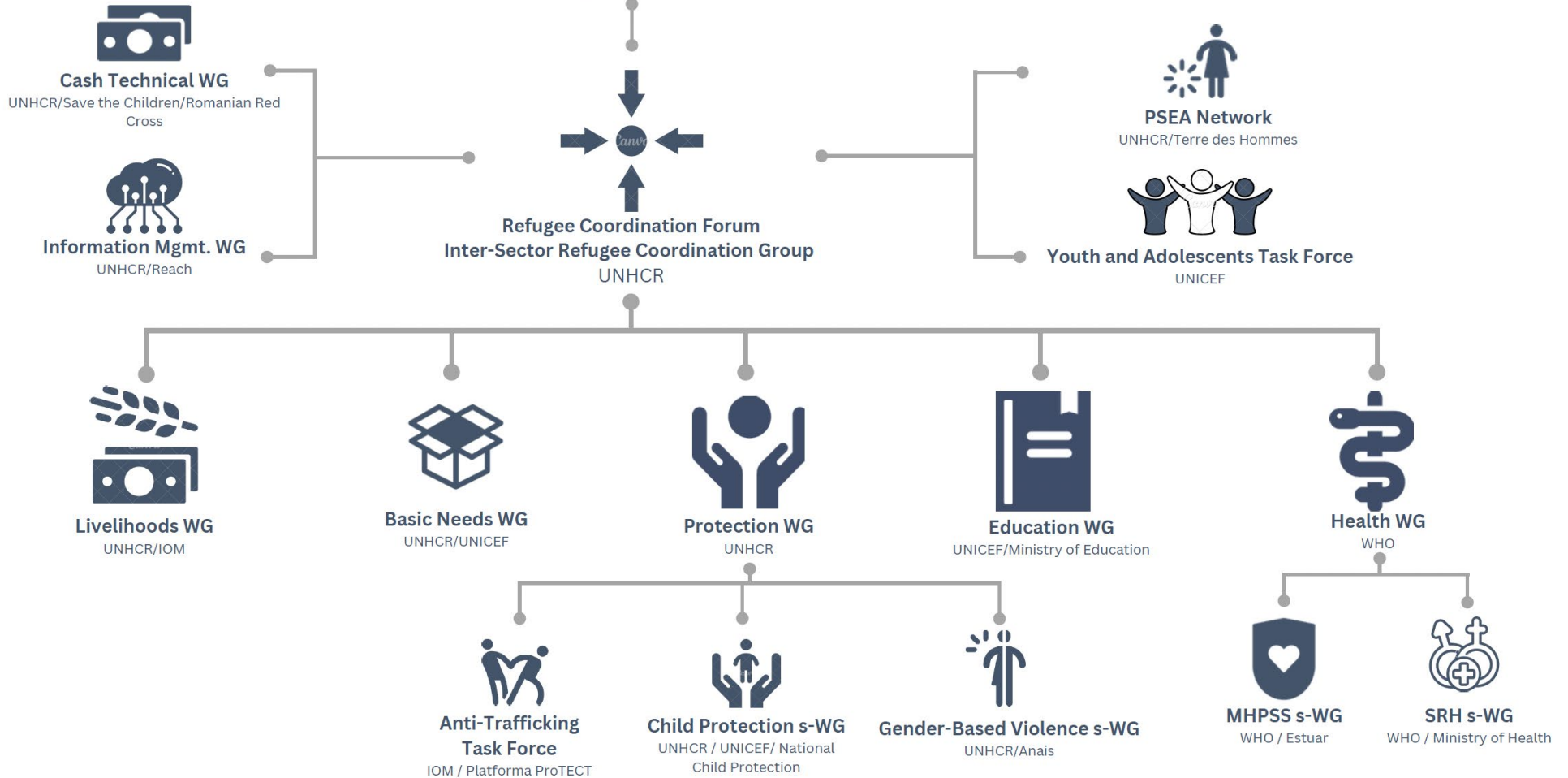


## Refugee coordination structure in Romania (link)

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UNHCR Representative



→ **ROMANIA CASH TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP**

→ **ROMANIA PSEA NETWORK**



## Key updates relevant to CVA & protection in Moldova

### General / operational updates

**UNHCR : The Republic of Moldova Operations Update** 16 may 2023 ([link](#)) - Previous update ([link](#))

**INTERSOS Moldova - Monthly Report** (April 2023) ([link](#))

**UNHCR - Funding Opportunities for Local Civil Society Organizations in Moldova** (09 May 2023) ([link](#))

**UNHCR - Inter-Agency Winterization Planning Process - Refugee Response Plan | Moldova | May 2023** ([link](#))

- The purpose of this strategy is to ensure the adequate preparation and response to the needs of refugees during the winter season in Moldova. It aims to provide a comprehensive approach to winterization through an inter-agency coordination effort.

**Ukraine Situation - Moldova: Inclusion and Livelihoods - UNDP Presentation on Cash For Work for Socio-Economic Inclusion (28 Mar 2023)** ([link](#))

### Protection updates

**UNHCR - Ukraine Situation - Moldova : Disability Task Force Meeting Minutes** (04 May 2023) ([link](#)) - **Gender-Based Violence Sub-Working Group Meeting Minutes** (27 Apr 2023) ([link](#)) - **Protection Working Group Meeting Minutes** (26 Apr 2023) ([link](#)) - **MHPSS TRG - Minutes of Meeting** (10 Apr 2023) ([link](#))

**UNHCR - Ukraine Situation: Moldova: AAP Task Force Terms of Reference** (March 2023) ([link](#))

**Ukraine Situation - Moldova: Gender-Based Violence Sub-Working Group - Presentation at Joint LI, MHPSS and GBV SWG Meeting** (May 2023) ([link](#))

**Ukraine Situation - Moldova: MHPSS TRG - Presentation at Joint LI, MHPSS and GBV SWG Meeting** (May 2023) ([link](#))

**Ukraine situation: Moldova: Roma Task Force Meeting Minutes** (26 May 2023) ([link](#))

### Assessments

**Gvt of Moldova, REACH, UNHCR - Moldova Refugee Accommodation Centre (RAC) Monthly Needs Monitoring, Update as of 25.04.2023** ([link](#))

- On 27 March 2023, 65 RACs were active. Six Centres closed and one opened since then.
- The top three most requested categories of items include personal hygiene items (requested by 33% of Centres), cleaning products (28% of RACs), and food products (16%)

## CVA RECOMMENDATIONS

**USD120 (2200 MDL)**  
Monthly cash grant per person  
(UNHCR cash update)

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## Key updates continued - **Moldova**

**Helvetas - Ukraine Situation - Moldova: Inclusion and Livelihoods - Feasibility Study Presentation on Employment Opportunities, Skills Development and Social Cohesion for Ukrainian Refugees and Vulnerable Moldovan Individuals** ([link](#))

**UNDP - Ukraine Situation - Moldova: Inclusion and Livelihoods - UNDP Presentation on Cash For Work for Socio-Economic Inclusion (28 Mar 2023)** ([link](#))

**UN Women - Liminal Lives: Gender and Diversity Assessment of Refugees From Ukraine in Moldova After One Year of Forced Displacement** ([link](#))

- As the international armed conflict moves into its second year, refugees are under increased pressure to secure more sustainable income and employment in Moldova. Single women-headed households with many care responsibilities, Roma women, older persons, and people with disabilities face distinct barriers to employment including lack of flexible work, lack of childcare, language barriers, lack of job opportunities, a mismatch between skills and available jobs and lack of information about employment options.
- Given the large proportion of women and children, humanitarian programmes have specifically targeted women and girls. Refugee men have, however, inadvertently been marginalised from some assistance programmes, in particular livelihood opportunities and MHPSS.
- Sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA) remain a concern, as refugees stay longer in Moldova and risk increased vulnerability, as their resources dwindle, and as medium-term housing and livelihood solutions must be found

**REACH - Rental Market Assessment Moldova - Preliminary Findings (May 2023)** ([link](#))

This assessment aims to shed light on rental market dynamics, rental housing costs, characteristics, availability and accessibility, the experiences of refugee households currently renting their home, as well as the market dynamics of the rental markets of two urban and two semi-urban locations.

- Scarcity of available accommodation was the most frequently reported difficulty among surveyed households who faced a difficulty (44%), although most reported no difficulty at all

***Most commonly financial resource relied on to make the latest rental payment***

Cash assistance from NGOs, INGOs, UN	<b>67%</b>	
Income	<b>41%</b>	
Savings	<b>37%</b>	
Financial support from family / friends	<b>19%</b>	

→ **GBV REFERRAL PATHWAYS - MOLDOVA**

→ **SERVICES ADVISOR PLATFORM**

→ **CP REFERRAL PATHWAYS - MOLDOVA**



## Focus - key findings of UNHCR Regional Protection analysis#2\* (link)

### Findings from Ukrainian refugees in Moldova with 4,243 Respondents- Last update 8 may 2023

**20%** of households contain at least one member with a specific need.

These households encounter difficulties meeting their needs in host countries, leading to increased protection risks and potential influence on return decisions, even in sub-optimal conditions in Ukraine.

**44%** of respondents are staying in rented accommodation

4% of respondents will need to find new accommodation in less than three months, mainly due to the termination of free accommodation programmes.

#### *Most commonly reported current activity in the host country*

Family responsibilities	28%	<div style="width: 28%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>
Retired	21%	<div style="width: 21%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>
Unemployed	20%	<div style="width: 20%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>

**95%** of respondents reported at least one urgent need

**90%** of respondents who have urgent needs prefer to receive support as cash

#### *Most commonly reported urgent need*

Material assistance	89%	<div style="width: 89%; height: 15px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>
Food	72%	<div style="width: 72%; height: 15px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>
Healthcare	53%	<div style="width: 53%; height: 15px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>
Accommodation	12%	<div style="width: 12%; height: 15px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>
Employment	10%	<div style="width: 10%; height: 15px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>

#### *Most commonly reported Information needs*

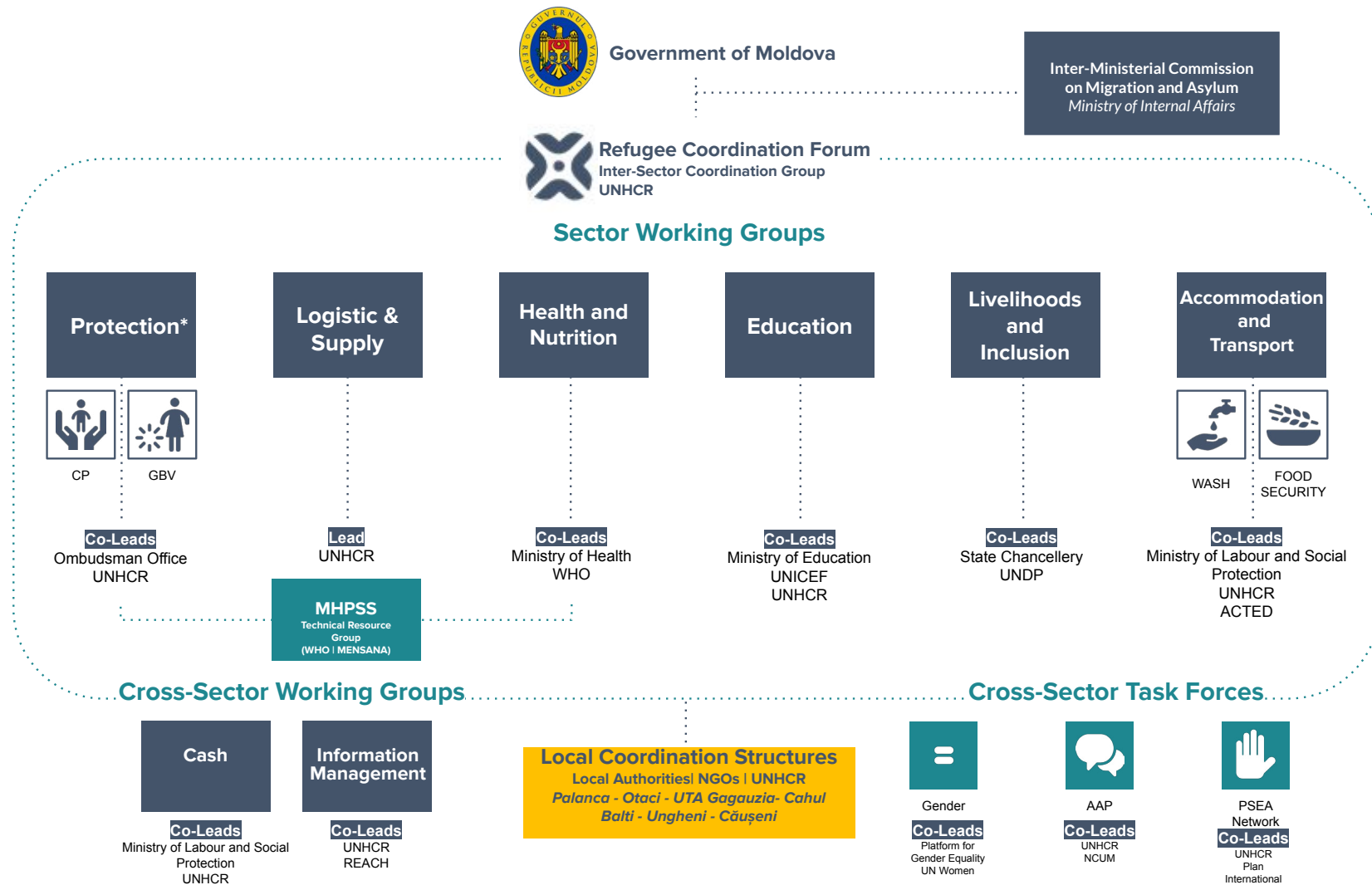
Financial aid	69%	<div style="width: 69%; height: 15px; background-color: #FFC000;"></div>
Healthcare	31%	<div style="width: 31%; height: 15px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>
None	21%	<div style="width: 21%; height: 15px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>
Legal status	19%	<div style="width: 19%; height: 15px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>
Job opportunities	15%	<div style="width: 15%; height: 15px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div>



→ MOLDOVA CASH TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP

→ MOLDOVA PSEA NETWORK

### Refugee coordination architecture in Moldova (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  
\*Protection WG also includes the following thematic Task Forces: Roma, Anti-Trafficking in Person; Disability.





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

No updates this month



70% Funded (of \$19,9M)<sup>1</sup>

### **CVA** **RECOMMENDATIONS**

No data available

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## Key updates relevant to CVA & protection in Slovakia

UNHCR Operational Update - March 2023 ([link](#))

UNHCR Slovakia: Ukraine refugee situation operational update (Jan - Feb 2023) ([link](#))

UNHCR - RRP Achievements Report - March 2023 ([link](#)) 64,000 people reached - 23,000 in Protection by 14 organizations. 543 in PSEA by 9 organizations - **UNHCR - Achievements Report** - January 2023 ([link](#))

UNHCR - InterAgency CASH Assistance - End of year achievements 2022 - Jan 2023 ([link](#))

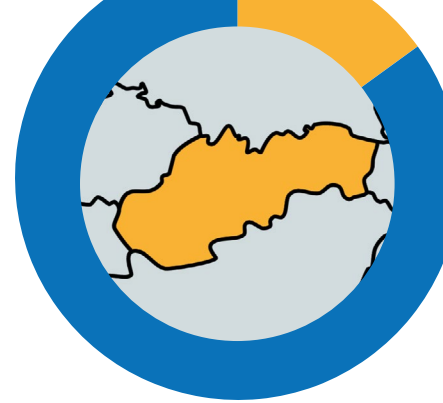
UNHCR - Slovakia: PSEA Task Force Inter-Agency Standard Operating Procedures for processing Sexual Exploitation and Abuse complaints ([link](#))

### Protection Updates

Ukraine Situation: Slovakia - Protection Profiling and Monitoring Factsheet - October 2022 - March 2023 ([link](#))

Protection WG: Key recommendations on Accommodation and Housing for the Government and RRP stakeholders ([link](#))

UNHCR - Key recommendations on disability to the Government and RRP stakeholders ([link](#))



15% Funded (of \$80,1M)<sup>1</sup>

## CVA --- RECOMMENDATIONS

No data available

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1. UNHCR - Slovakia : Refugee Response Plan 2023 - At a Glance ([link](#))



### Refugee coordination architecture in Bulgaria (link)

Government of Bulgaria & UNHCR



Refugee Coordination Forum  
Inter-Agency Coordination Working Group

→ BULGARIA CASH TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP



Cash Working Group  
(UNHCR)



MHPSS Technical Working Group  
(WHO)



Protection Working Group  
*Work in Progress*  
(UNHCR, State Agency for Refugees)



Education Working Group  
(UNICEF)



PSEA Network  
(UNHCR, UNICEF)

→ SLOVAKIA PSEA TASK FORCE

### Refugee coordination architecture in Slovakia (link)



Government of Slovakia



Refugee Coordination Forum  
MoI / UNHCR

Humanitarian and Development Donor Group  
Refugee Coordination Forum East  
District Offices (rotational) / UNHCR

Information Management WG  
UNHCR/Tenenet  
PSEA Task Force  
UNHCR / SNCHR

→ SLOVAKIA CASH TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP



Health Working Group  
WHO



MH/PSS sub-WG  
WHO/League for Mental Health



Protection and Inclusion Working Group  
Human Rights League/UNHCR



Child Protection sub-WG  
UNHCR/UNICEF/MoLSAF



TiP TF  
IOM



Inclusion sub-WG  
UNHCR/PIN



Education Working Group  
*TBC*



Cash Working Group  
MoLSAF / UNHCR

AAP

Acronyms:  
AAP - Accountability for Affected People  
PSEA - Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse  
MH/PSS - Mental Health/Psychosocial Support  
GBV - Gender base Violence  
TiP - Trafficking in Person  
WG - Working Group