Ukraine crisis:

harm reduction organizations needs and response



War conflict in Ukraine

Escalating large-scale war conflict in Ukraine causes enormous humanitarian crisis affecting millions of people, those leaving the country looking for safety and internally displaced people within Ukraine itself.

Impact of these happenings - felt also by people who use drugs who are particularly vulnerable during times of war and conflict.

In Ukraine – HR network

In Ukraine, harm reduction organizations assist the community of people who use drugs and Ukrainian people who have fled the war or lost homes:

- by continuing their services
- creating temporary shelters
- sharing limited resources.

To continue, they need support



In Ukraine – HR network

To access the immediate needs in humanitarian aid and financial assistance:

1. Ukrainian HR organizations were requested to submit their needs in humanitarian aid

2. EHRA circulated a form to complete

3. Requests from organizations were analyzed

4. Most "in demand" categories of requested aid identified.



Categories of requested aid

Food Hygiene Clothes Fuel Equipment Medicine Products for kids Essentials for sleeping Communication Miscellaneous allowances

Services (evacuation, legal, psychological, mental health help, etc.)



Food

- Tinned food (meat, fish, vegetables)
- Instant noodles, soups, etc.
- Grains/cereals
- Vegetables/fruits
- Flour
- Butter/oil
- Tea, coffee, sugar
- Biscuits/crackers/sweets
- Food for children
- Disposable dishes
- Thermoses



Medicine

Pain killers Cardiac drugs **GI** disorders drugs Antiallergic Flu and colds drug /nasal congestion Antifungal drugs Drugs for thyroid dysfunction Analgesics Antihypertensive drugs Hemostatic agents Antiseptic Antipyretic drugs Syringes Dressing materials: bondages, ointments, etc. Naloxon (nasal form) – 50 000

Many of these drugs are prescription only.



Clothes / Kids / Hygiene

- Soap, shampoos, razors, deodorants
- Washing powder/soap for adults and kids
- Toilet paper, paper towels, napkins, pads
- Disinfectants, sanitisers
- Towels
- Track suits, shoes, jackets
- Socks, underwear
- Pampers, wet wipes, baby powder
- Milk formula
- Games, pencils, books for children



Equipment / Essential for sleeping

- 1. 25 generators (for shelters)
- 2. Battery lamps 2000, lanterns
- 3. Power banks 1000
- 4. Convection oven for mini-bakery (baking bread)
- 5. Sleeping bags, mats up to 500
- 6. Blankets, pillows up to 500
- 7. Beddings/linen, towels up to 500
- 8. Beds 10



Fuel / communication

- 1. Petrol 5000 l.
- 2. Diesel 2500 l.
- 3. SIM cards 130
- 4. Walkie-talkie (1.5 2 km.)
- 5. Portable printer



Allowances / Services

- Financial support for shelter personnel and staff
- Fin. support for IDPs
- Evacuation of personnel and clients (400 pers.)
- Transportation expenses for IDPs
- Psychological and mental health services
- Repairs costs/spare parts for vehicles used to transport products and deliver IDPs
- Materials, raw materials and light equipment for production units



Ukraine crisis - EU neighboring countries needs

- According to UNHCR estimates, up to five million people will flee Ukraine to neighbouring countries such as Poland, Romania, Moldova, Hungary, Slovakia, Lithuania and other countires.
- Local organisations tending to the needs of vulnerable and discriminated groups will also need support in organising and offering aid to Ukrainians on their territories.
- More than 20 NGOs (as of today), EHRA members, in these countries request financial assistance through different mechanisms.



NEXT STEPS

- Continue verifying and responding to needs of Ukrainian partner organizations
- Identify organizations in European counties willing to help with humanitarian aid to Ukraine – financially and/or logistically
- Organize supply of requested goods and funds to Ukraine, employing safe and reliable delivery channels



