

Supporting Ukraine and Ukrainians: Where to Donate

Reliable, trustworthy local organizations, initiative groups, individuals, and fundraisers*

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Military & Medical Support

Support the Armed Forces of Ukraine via a special fundraising account opened by the National Bank of Ukraine (NBU): bank.gov.ua/.../natsionalniy-bank-vidkriv...

Come Back Alive, one of the most respected and reputable NGOs that helps the Armed Forces of Ukraine: savelife.in.ua/en/donate

Razom for Ukraine is purchasing medical supplies for critical situations like blood loss and other tactical medicine items: razomforukraine.org/donate

CHARITY FOUNDATION OF SERHIY PRYTULA is collecting aid and responding directly to the pressing needs of The Territorial Defense, Armed Forces of Ukraine, National Guard, and other military units of the Ukrainian Army: prytulafoundation.org/en

Humanitarian, Refugee, Civilian Support

Ukraine Freedom Fund is a registered U.S. 501(c)(3). All donations go to sourcing/buying and delivering the most needed items as quickly as possible. www.ukrfreedomfund.org

Global Synergy Group is a registered U.S. 501(c)(3) founded by two Ukrainian-Americans originally from Crimea. The organization has been working with Ukrainian initiatives for over a decade and is doing incredible work right now directly supporting emergency needs in Ukraine, as well as helping Ukrainian communities coordinate to help each other. www.globalsynergygroup.org/donate

RPCV Alliance for Ukraine are Returned Peace Corps Volunteers who served in Ukraine: www.allianceforukraine.org/campaigns

The \$1K Project: Send \$1,000 to directly support a family that has been impacted by the war in Ukraine: airtable.com/shrOjsUE9kgQ0LquA

LGBTQI Community

Where to find help for LGBTI+ people? Resources compiled by Gender Z (in Ukrainian): www.facebook.com/genderzed/posts/4945914092121585

Insight Ukraine provides legal, psychological, and medical support to queer and trans-Ukrainians, among other forms of advocacy. Donate via PayPal: insight.ukraine@gmail.com

KyivPride helps LGBTQI people directly with means for food and relocation; they created a database of the organizations and individuals that are offering shelter and transportation in Europe: kyivpride.org/en/home-3/

Gender Z is using all contributions to cover the immediate needs of LGBTQ persons who have remained in Ukraine: genderz.org.ua/donate-to-support-lgbt-ukrainians

Gay Alliance Ukraine is running a shelter in Kyiv and needs support for food, supplies, and relocation: upogau.org/donate-us

Cohort NGO helps trans people with food, shelter, relocation and crossing the border: cohort.com.ua/donati

Women

Feminist Workshop, a well-established NGO in Lviv, provides shelter and other support to displaced women and elderly women. Support them on [Patreon](#), [GoFundMe](#), or [other donation options](#) (in Ukrainian).

Women's Perspectives, in Lviv, was one of the first feminist organizations in Ukraine. They provide shelter, basic necessities, and medicine to displaced people. www.women.lviv.ua/en/pidtrymaty-2

Marsh Zhinok (Women's March) provides shelter for displaced women and children in Lviv and Chernivtsi, and provides medicines, food, children's items, transportation,

supplies for other needs, and psychological and legal support for women in Ukraine.
marsh-zhinok.com.ua/donate-for-support

JurFem Ukrainian Women Lawyers Association (see Legal Aid)

Legal Aid

The Legal Hundred provides social and legal protection to veterans of the Ukrainian Armed Forces and their families. [Click here to donate through iPay](#) (the page will be in Ukrainian and prompt you for a Ukrainian phone number, but you can skip inputting the number. The option to pay with a bank card or Google Pay will pop up on the next screen).

[**JurFem Ukrainian Women Lawyers Association**](#) provides legal advice on the most [pressing issues that have arisen during the war](#), including the status and rights of internally displaced persons, border crossing issues (women with children, orphans, etc.), refugee status and temporary protection status, and the work of courts, notaries, and law practices. The organization covers issues such as violence and sexual harassment and provides information on what to do if you have [experienced or witnessed sexual violence](#), how to [properly record it](#), and [who to turn to for help](#), including a rape hotline. They don't have a donation option, but you can help share their resources, events, and information, especially from their [Facebook page](#).

Independent Journalism and Journalists

[**The Kyiv Independent**](#) is an outstanding team of Ukrainian journalists reporting in English: [Patreon](#), [GoFundMe](#)

Zaborona Media Journalism Emergency Fund: 2402.org

[**Ukraine Without Hype**](#) is a podcast in English covering the biggest stories from Ukraine and the region: www.patreon.com/UkraineWithoutHype

[**Ukraine World**](#) covers Ukraine in English: news, analysis, podcasts, videos:
www.patreon.com/ukraineworld

[**Euromaidan Press**](#) is an online English-language independent newspaper launched by Ukrainian volunteers in 2014: euromaidanpress.com/donate

[**Hromadske International**](#) shows what's happening now and provides crucial insights into the situation; in English: en.hromadske.ua/about#donate_gro

#UkrainianSpaces are live events and podcasts amplifying Ukrainian voices and decolonizing Ukraine conversations: www.patreon.com/ukrainianspaces

Animal / Pet Rescue and Shelters

UAnimals provides care for shelter and zoo animals around the country: PayPal wild@uanimals.org

Kyiv Animal Rescue Group is operating with limited capacity but is working to find and rescue pets people had to leave behind when they evacuated as well as providing general assistance to people with pets remaining in Kyiv: www.patreon.com/karg; PayPal: Karg.paypal@gmail.com

Official Ukrainian Government Portals

Humanitarian Aid Website for those willing to help Ukraine: help.gov.ua/en

Kyiv City Administration (KMDA) humanitarian aid portal for Kyiv: potreby.kyivcity.gov.ua/eng

Official Ukrainian government portal: war.ukraine.ua

Real ways you can help Ukraine as a foreigner (Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine portal): supportukrainenow.org

*** Disclaimer**

This list is maintained by Ann Merrill, a native of Ohio USA and permanent resident of Ukraine who has lived in Kyiv since 2005. In Ukraine, I have worked with the United Nations Development Programme, United Nations Volunteers, U.S. Department of State and USAID technical assistance programs, and international and Ukrainian NGOs. This list is not comprehensive and is not meant to be. These are organizations I know and trust, or have been recommended to me by informed people I trust. If you have a suggestion, feel free to email me at ankainkyiv@gmail.com. Note: I will not include international NGOs, UN agencies, or other large-scale international donor projects; this list is intended to promote Ukrainian-led and Ukraine-based organizations, initiatives, and people.

Some people have expressed concern that some of these organizations are marked “suspicious” by Charity Navigator. These are primarily local initiative groups and may not all be officially registered non-governmental organizations (NGOs) or charity foundations. They are all well known within Ukraine and are trusted by Ukrainians and the international donor community that has been active in Ukraine since 2014. There are many options listed, so if you aren’t comfortable giving to one, pick another.