DONATE TO UKRAINE

UPDATE APRIL 25. 2022

Thank you to everyone who assisted with the Donation Drive for Ukraine and Ukrainian Bazaar in March and April. Thanks to your help we were able to ship just over 640lbs of supplies to Ukraine and raised sufficient funds to both cover shipping and make a \$600 donation to Razom for Ukraine. We truly could not have done it without your help!

UPDATE APRIL 4, 2022

In March we collected 30 boxes of medical supplies, hygiene products, and other items of necessity for the people of Ukraine. Right now, we are in need of money to cover the shipping cost. Therefore, next week we are launching a fundraising event «Ukrainian Bazaar»!

On Friday, April 15th, come join us in support of our cause. You will be able to purchase Greenbush donuts, pins, and win in the trivia about Ukraine!

Our goal is \$1800 to cover shipping, all unused money will go to Razom for Ukraine.

Where: The 1st floor Van Hise

When: April 15th, from 12 pm to 4 pm

We will accept cash and Venmo at the event.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact egams@wisc.edu.

UPDATE MARCH 12, 2022

We have completed round 1 of collecting donations. Thank you so much to everyone who donated! This week we will be packing donations & delivering them to Meest

Sign up here to be alerted when we begin round 2 of collecting donations in April: https://forms.gle/NoKXNpfyjCgzgT73A

If you want to help in the meantime, consider donating to Meest's fund to subsidize shipping of donations here: https://us.meest.com/humanitarian-aid-packages-for-ukraine

This document is updated continually to reflect current needs on the ground. Last update: 12 March

Direct questions to egams@wisc.edu

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Sign up to help pack donations over spring break here: https://forms.gle/xQKmNTyChm3jrbCY9
If you receive an error accessing the above sign up form, please check if you are logged into your UW-Madison email account. If you still experience trouble please contact egams@wisc.edu
for an alternative sign up method.

Previously, we had hoped to fundraise with GoFundMe to cover shipping costs. However, at present GoFundMe does not allow fundraisers benefiting Ukraine except to certified charities. If you prefer to assist Ukraine via cash donation, we recommend donating to Razom for Ukraine.

MOST URGENT NEEDS:

- OTC medicines
 - Pain reliever: ibuprofen, aspirin, acetaminophen (Advil, Tylenol, etc.)
 - Diphenhydramine (e.g., Benadryl)
 - o Loperamide (e.g., Imodium)
 - o Hydrocortisone cream
 - Pepto-Bismol pills
 - Caffeine pills
 - Antibacterial ointment or triple antibiotic ointment (e.g., Neosporin)
- First aid items
 - Bandages and bandage strips, all types and sizes (e.g., Band-Aids)
 - Medical tape
 - Medical gauze
 - Antiseptic wipes
- Tweezers
- Safety pins
- Disposable gloves
- Plastic cling wrap
- White petroleum jelly in small container (e.g., Vaseline)
- Backpacks
- Civilian drones
- GPS units
- Walkie-talkies
- Full list of urgent medical and hospital needs here:
 https://meest.com/uploads/elFinder/US/aid/PRIORITY-ITEMS-FOR-HUMANITARIAN-RE-LIEF.pdf

ALSO NEEDED:

- Non-perishable food, including:
 - Coffee and tea

- Nuts
- Dried fruit
- Chocolate
- Cereal
- Oats and grains
- o Oil
- Hygiene products (except diapers)
- Blankets and bedding
- Disposable tableware
- First aid kits
- Thermal underwear
- Containers for liquids (to hold water, oil, fuel, etc. Prefer 10-20 liter capacity. We cannot send actual fuel or empty fuel containers.)
- Tents, sleeping bags, sleeping mats (yoga mat, camping pad, etc.)
- Inflatable travel pillows
- Candles
- Flashlights and standalone lamps (i.e., battery or solar-powered)
- Generators
- Shipping supplies like boxes, tape, etc. (we will use to ship the donations)

NOT CURRENTLY ACCEPTING:

- Clothing
- Diapers
- Perishable foods
- Alcohol and tobacco
- Aerosol containers
- Anything flammable or explosive, including matches and lighters and liquid hand sanitizer
- Batteries
- Full list of prohibited items here (under FAQ: "What Items are Restricted?"):
 https://us.meest.com/humanitarian-aid-packages-for-ukraine#:~:text=WHAT%20ITEMS
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General Information

As the estimates of refugees and displaced persons in Ukraine continue to grow with each day, more and more supplies are needed by humanitarian organizations responding to the crisis. At present, across Western Ukraine schools have turned into refugee centers and strangers welcome those who are fleeing violence into their homes. Where children once played and learned, their teachers and other volunteers prepare care packages for soldiers and refugees.

As some of you may know, I lived and worked in Ukraine for nearly three years as a Peace Corps Volunteer. A group of my classmates and I will be collecting supplies to donate to Meest

America's humanitarian packages operation. We need your help. In this document, you will find a list of required supplies which Meest is accepting. Please be mindful of what items are not currently being accepted as well. You will also find the location of offices on campus which have graciously lent us space to use as drop off points for supplies from March 7-11. During this week, you can drop off any of the listed supplies in any of the locations. Over spring break, we will package the supplies and ship them to Meest.

Thank you for your support,
Emily Gams
With help from Hana Livingston, Kelsey Gordon & Indu Kilaru

Locations for drop off

The following offices on campus have graciously offered us space to drop off donations. Please bring donations during normal business hours the week of March 7-11, 2022.

Check back for updates as we receive confirmation from more offices.

- Computer Science: Computer Science building, tower 2, room 2296 (if possible, bring larger items here)
- La Follette School: La Follette House, Student Lounge (basement)
- Center for Russia, Eastern Europe, and Central Asia (CREECA): 210 Ingraham Hall (box for after hours donations available; cannot accept donations Thursday, March 10 4-5:15pm)
- English as a Second Language: ESL Library, room 5134 H.C. White (donations cannot be accepted at this location after 12:00pm (noon) Friday, March 11)