1. OVERVIEW

War in Ukraine has resulted in at least 406 civilian deaths and an additional 801 civilian injuries, according to the UN.

Damage and destruction to residential areas and civilian infrastructure serves as a major obstacle to people accessing essential resources, such as water and food, as well as healthcare and other critical services.

As of March 8, 2022, over 2 million people have fled Ukraine since war activities commenced on February 24, 2022, according to the UN, resulting in the fastest-growing refugee crisis in Europe since World War II. Most refugees are fleeing to Poland, which is home to the region's largest Ukrainian community, and is the easiest EU country to reach from Ukraine's capital, Kyiv.

A total of 4 million people are estimated to flee Ukraine due to the war, which would eclipse the combined number of refugees in the 2015-2016 European refugee crisis and the 2014 Russian invasion of Crimea. According to estimates from the UN, 12 million people inside Ukraine will need relief and protection due to the war.

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CORE'S RESPONSE

- Hygiene kit distribution
- Cash assistance
- Institutional support

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In addition to the imminent threat of violence, the conflict has increased vulnerability to diseases, including COVID-19. Ukraine is home to the second-lowest vaccination rate in Europe, with 35 percent of its people having received one or more doses of the COVID-19 vaccine.

2. CORE’S RESPONSE

CORE is working with international and local partners to support the immediate needs of people fleeing war in Ukraine.

- CORE’s response has begun in the Polish border towns of Lublin and Rzeszów and is initially focused on providing Ukrainian refugees who have crossed the border into Poland with cash assistance to help families get access to essential items, such as food, water, and safe transit to shelter.

- CORE is also providing emergency relief supplies, including hygiene kits with soap, hand sanitizer, toothbrushes, and other essential hygiene items, as well as thermal blankets to keep refugees warm amid freezing temperatures.

- CORE is supporting community-based refugee centers in Poland with supplies and institutional support to help them continue supporting refugees as the influx of individuals fleeing the war continues to increase.

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3. ACTIVITIES

Highlights:

March 2
- Field visit to meet with a new grassroots organization that is providing housing to Ukrainian refugees, specifically women and children
- Distribution of 100 hygiene kits to refugees
- Identified and hired a translator who will work for CORE in Poland
- Action planning with local field staff to advance Service Delivery Plan

March 4
- $10k of food and supplies procured
- $20k of over-the-counter medication ordered

March 7
- $5k of electronics and technical supplies delivered to the Refugee Reception Center at Przemyśl
- Partnership with Refugee Reception Center CBO solidified
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Resource Coordination:
The below resources have been procured and delivered to support Ukrainian refugees:

- Diapers
- Baby wipes
- Infant formula
- Baby Hygiene products (Soap, shampoo, diaper rash cream)
- Canned goods
- Feminine Hygiene products
- Soap
- Toothpastes & toothbrushes
- Mouthwash
- Bodywash
- Nail clippers
- Duct tape
- Batteries
- Flashlight
- Headlamps
- Laptops
- Printer
- Office supplies
- Bathroom lighting
- Ladders
- Complete toolbox

4. PARTNERS

- Received list of needed supplies from US AID and receiving contact
- Met potential donor who is looking to fill 10 cargo planes with critical relief supplies
- Connected with Spirit of America to collaborate on medical equipment procurement and transportation issues

5. NEXT STEPS

CORE’s immediate priorities for the response are:

- Continue to identify and provide technical support to grassroots community organizations and other local CBOs working to assist Ukrainian refugees
- Establish new NGO and CBO partnerships for service delivery in Poland and abroad
- Assess evolving needs of refugees and adapt support measures accordingly
- Strategize on procurement for next round of CBO support