



## USAID/Ukraine Rapid Response to Russia's Invasion of Ukraine

## **Our Response**

The USAID Mission in Ukraine continues to transform its programming to meet the urgent needs of the Ukrainian people following Russia's full-scale invasion. All USAID/Ukraine programs remain active and we continue to invest in more than 40 activities implemented by more than 700 implementing partner staff in the country. This responds to immediate, evolving needs and advances Ukraine's long-term development as an independent, democratic, and prosperous society.

## **Assistance to Critical Sectors**



Direct Budget

USAID has provided \$8.5 billion in direct budget support to the Government of Ukraine and is preparing to deliver an additional \$4.5 billion in the coming months. This has helped Ukraine continue to provide critical public services, including health care, education, and humanitarian assistance. The Mission is helping to ensure accountability and transparency in the use of these funds through third party monitoring and other support to the Ministry of Finance.

USAID will invest \$55 million in Ukraine's heating infrastructure to aid Ukraine's preparations for winter amid the Russian Federation's brutal war. This assistance will support repairs and maintenance of pipes and other equipment necessary to deliver heating to homes, hospitals, schools, and businesses across Ukraine. The new USAID assistance will directly benefit up to seven million Ukrainians in 19 regions.



**Energy** 



Newly-Liberated Territories

USAID is helping restore public services and deliver humanitarian assistance in newly-liberated communities in Kharkiv, Kherson, Donetsk, and Luhansk oblasts. In Kharkiv oblast, USAID delivered 22 generators to local governments; in the town of Sviatohirsk in Donetsk oblast, it provided IT and office equipment to restore operations at the city council building, which had been damaged and looted by Russia's occupying forces. USAID also supports efforts to document war crimes and human rights abuses in newly-liberated territories.

USAID's AGRI-Ukraine initiative launched an activity to help Ukrainian farmers store 1.7 millions of grain, supporting Ukraine's grain exports. Also under the AGRI-Ukraine initiative, USAID and Bayer announced a partnership to increase the production of corn seed for farmers in Ukraine and around the world. Bayer plans to invest \$34.9 million to increase the capacity of its seed processing operation in Ukraine. USAID launched AGRI-Ukraine to mobilize U.S. government and private sector resources to help Ukraine produce, store, transport, and export food supplies amid the damage caused by Russia's war.





USAID recently helped deliver more than 2.3 million doses of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine to Ukraine, the largest single donation of COVID-19 vaccines to Ukraine since the start of the pandemic. The U.S. Government has donated more than 6.4 million COVID-19 vaccines to the people of Ukraine since the start of the pandemic. USAID's \$50 million annual health portfolio has filled key gaps in Ukraine's health system during the war, helping ensure that Ukrainians continue to access critical medicines and health services.



Since the start of the war, USAID's main youth activity has engaged about 69,000 young people in activities to strengthen Ukraine's resilience and address critical issues facing communities. USAID-supported youth groups have worked in 28 communities in nine oblasts to address urgent humanitarian needs, including setting up temporary shelters for displaced Ukrainians and delivering critical supplies such as power generators, mattresses, food, and hygiene items. In addition, USAID supports the Government of Ukraine's SpivDiia platform, which has mobilized youth volunteers to deliver humanitarian supplies to more than 142,000 people.

USAID's Human Rights in Action activity help launch two coalitions (Ukraine 5 AM and the Tribunal for Putin) that have documented more than 20,000 instances of alleged war crimes and human rights abuses. USAID's Justice for All program is building the capacity of Ukraine's judiciary to administer and adjudicate domestic war crimes cases, implementing a series of training sessions for judges. USAID's Transformation Communications Activity has embedded four experts in the Prosecutor General's Office to promote documentation and evidence collection and raise public awareness of war crimes accountability efforts.





USAID's local governance activity delivered 110 generators to local governments in Rivne, Volyn, and Zakarpattya oblasts. The generators will allow first responders and critical infrastructure facilities - including hospitals, schools, and temporary accommodation centers - to continue working even as Ukraine's energy grid is targeted by Russia's attacks. In total, USAID has delivered more than 700 generators since the start of Russia's brutal invasion. Overall, USAID is providing emergency assistance to 91 communities in 18 oblasts, including in Ukraine's east and south, helping local governments meet the needs of citizens amid Russia's full-scale war.

USAID's civil society activity supports a network of 75 local organizations that respond to the needs of Ukrainians, including internally-displaced persons. Local partners have delivered more than 25 tons of humanitarian assistance, benefitting more than 6,000 people, and helped nearly 12,000 war-affected citizens receive legal and psychological consultations.



**Civil Society** 



Countering Disinformation

USAID's Transformation Communications Activity has helped Ukraine's Center for Strategic Communications and Information Security (CSCIS) reach more than 64 million people since February 24, publishing more than 950 communications products that debunk disinformation about Russia's war against Ukraine. USAID has helped the CSCIS increase its usage of Twitter, Facebook, and Telegram, as well as expand to Viber, Instagram, and YouTube for the first time.

USAID empowers Ukraine's journalists to inform the country, and the world, about Russia's war against Ukraine. Currently, USAID supports 175 national and local media entities to report fact-based news content. USAID assistance has helped Ukraine's public broadcaster reach more than I million subscribers on its Telegram channel, a critical platform for sharing information during Russia's invasion. In addition, USAID assistance has helped make Ukraine's public service radio available to 17 million Ukrainians.



Media



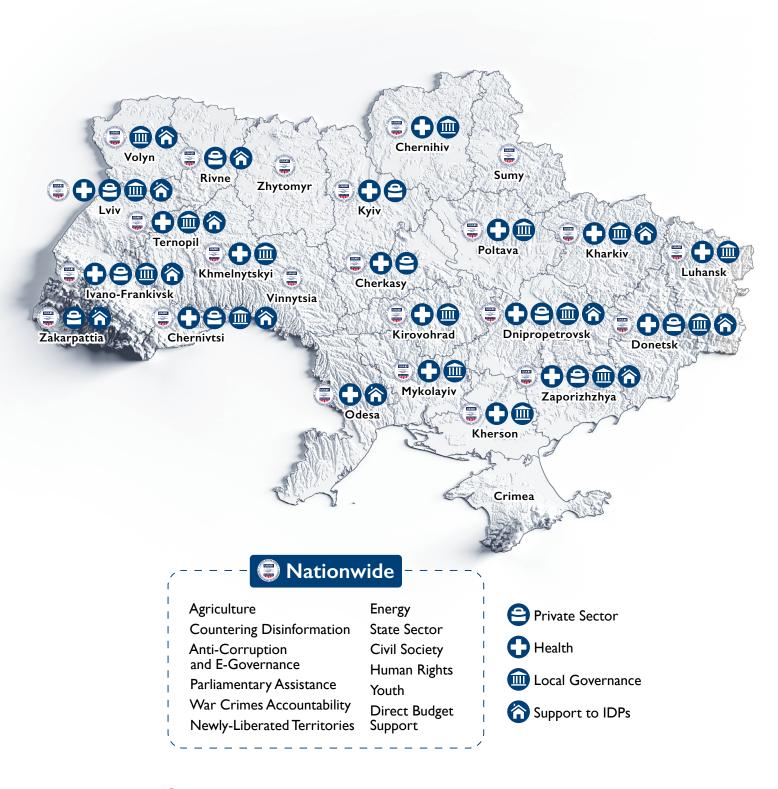
Anti-Corruption & E-Governance

USAID has helped Ukraine's anti-corruption and e-governance institutions continue to function throughout the war. That includes critical IT support to the National Agency for Corruption Prevention (NACP), helping it back up institutional data in the cloud and guarantee uninterrupted access to anti-corruption databases and registries. USAID also supports the NACP to assess and respond to corruption risks in the delivery of humanitarian assistance. In addition, we helped the Ministry of Digital Transformation develop and operate digital services with high social impact, including Diia, a mobile app that provides social services and payments to IDPs while minimizing the risk of corruption in providing services.

USAID helped members of Ukraine's Verkhovna Rada assess needs in newly-liberated communities in Kharkiv oblast. This assessment will help parliamentarians respond to the needs of their constituents, as well as coordinate with international donors on joint initiatives. USAID is also helping members of parliament plan policy measures to help restore infrastructure and logistics in newly-liberated territories, benefiting up to 2.5 million Ukrainians.



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