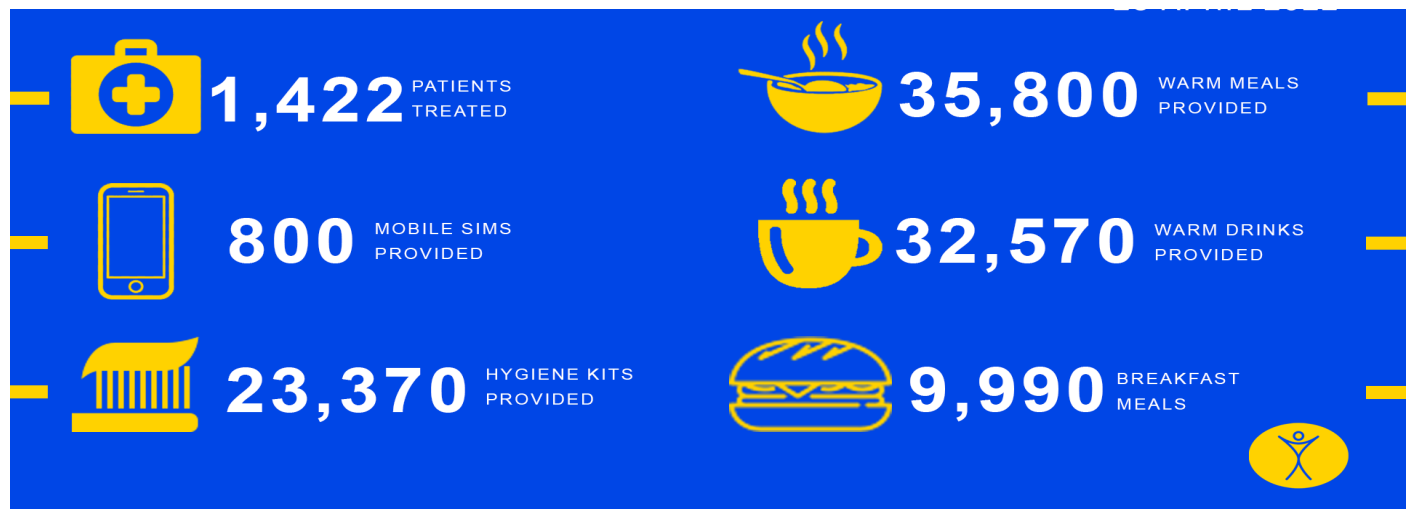


# UKRAINE RESPONSE

## Humanity First - Situation Update 08

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### Summary

Since the Ukraine Crisis began on 24 February 2022 an estimated 4.7 million refugees fled Ukraine and over 6.5 million were internally displaced. Significant numbers of refugees have now started returning home from Poland and the situation is very fluid. HF is collaborating with UN agencies and the Polish Red Cross.

To date 75 volunteers from 11 countries have been involved in the aid operation for Ukraine. We estimate that the total value of aid including volunteer effort and donated goods exceeds €279,500.

So far, the team has assisted over 23,000 refugees.



## Ukraine

Through the co-operation of border authorities, our team had been working in Ukraine in Shehyni from where they were providing food and drinks for refugees trying to cross the border.



The team is now regularly sending medication, clinical consumables, food and hygiene kits to Lviv, Kyiv and Chernihiv. Medication have been sent into Ukraine sufficient to treat at least 15,000 patients. We are also assessing needs at medical facilities in other locations such as Sumy and Dnieper working with local medical volunteers.

We were also able to arrange the evacuation of a 16 year-old suffering a brain haemorrhage with their family to a hospital in Turn, Italy.



## Poland

HF has been working around the clock at Medyka on the Polish-Ukrainian border since 27 February, providing medical and food assistance to Ukrainian refugees with volunteers on rotation from Europe and North America.

This week, a lot of the traffic is heading back into Ukraine as the security situation improves in the west of the country. Sometimes the queue of cars is going back 7km, so HF is providing families in the cars with hot drinks and warm meals.

Our medical volunteers have been treating patients presenting with a combination of primary care conditions. So far, our medical volunteers have treated 1,422 patients and consulted hundreds more. The team have been receiving donated medication and the HF medical facility is equipped with a defibrillator, portable ventilator, ECG, Ultrasound, monitor and an ambulance.

There is a fully stocked pharmacy including a secure supply of controlled medication.

The ambulance is helping transport more serious patients 3-4 times a week to the local Przemysl hospital in Poland where we have an established referral pathway.

Our team has been providing warm drinks and warm meals to those crossing into Poland. HF has provided around 30,200 warm meals and 32,570 warm drinks of tea or coffee. We have provided over 9,990 breakfast sandwiches, and 23,370 bags containing hygiene kits and high energy food. This week, we had 12 volunteers on the border including 10 from Germany and 2 from Spain.



The team is co-operating with camp authorities on a daily basis to improve camp processes around effectiveness, communications, safety (including fire safety) and safeguarding at the camp. Our medical team are now organising CPR training for 35 organisations working at Medyka.



## Moldova

HF is supporting 200 refugees in the Moldovan capital of Chisinau with food rations and hygiene kits. Many have been coming from the coastal area between Odesa, Kherson and Mariupol. Our

volunteers were also part of a team this week packing 5,000 food rations packs for refugees in Chisinau.



Most refugees have been heading to other countries from Moldova.



### Netherlands

This week HF worked with other community groups in Den Haag to run a free market where 300 Ukrainian refugees were able to pick up clothing, food rations, schools stationery, hygiene items, baby formula and other resources for free.



The team provided medication, food rations and clothing for 120 refugees in Vlardinggen. So far provided the equivalent of 3,600 meals for refugees in Vlardinggen.



### Sweden

The local team have been getting donated items and have been sending clothing, hygiene kits and hand sanitizers to Ukraine. HF is also working with a local NGO in Gothenburg where they have also served warm meals for refugees.



### About Humanity First

Humanity First (HF) is an international aid agency, with HQ in the UK and branches in 62 countries. HF provides emergency assistance using a global volunteer network, and works on the basis of need alone, irrespective of race, gender, age, religion or political affiliation. Since being launched in 1995, HF has responded to over 190 emergencies in 99 countries, and assisted around 2.5 million people.

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