

**Humanitarian assistance to Ukraine or for Ukrainians, facilitated by the
European Committee of the Regions**
Archive (initiatives since February 2022)

Initiatives by CoR members and other EU cities and regions

Austria

- **The Province of Burgenland** launched the aid campaign "[Burgenland hilft](#)" (Burgenland helps)
- **Austrian Association of Municipalities:** [Five urgently needed vehicles](#) were handed over to Ukraine. Specifically, there are three operational fire trucks, an ambulance and a garbage truck.
- **City of Vienna:** Provided emergency aid from the federal states - MA 5 arranged for the City of Vienna to pay out the federal states' share (EUR 429,000) for the Ukraine aid to ADA: [2022 Ukraine Humanitäre Hilfe der Stadt Wien](#)

Belgium

- Association **ADR-Vlaanderen** launched a call to support Ukrainian villages. Read more [here](#).
- Ghent: €50,000 in emergency aid.

Croatia

- **Zagreb:** Supported by the EU-funded [Connection](#) project, led by Eurocities, Zagreb is spending. €50,000 on translation and interpretation services, food and shelter, jobs-searching and requalification.
- **City of Zagreb:** There are 4,951 displaced persons from Ukraine in the area of the City of Zagreb (data from the report on the activities of the City of Zagreb for displaced persons from Ukraine from September 5 to 11, 2022). Detailed information on the assistance provided by the city of Zagreb is described in the attached document (English translation is not provided): [Raseljene osobe iz ukrajine GZ Vasco Alves Cordeiro](#)

Estonia

- **City of Tartu:** Opened reception centre for Ukrainian refugees; volunteer based humanitarian aid centre were run from March till the end of August; granting Ukrainian war refugees the right to travel for free by city bus for one year; Ukrainian war refugees receive a 50% discount on tuition fees until the end of 2022 for education and recreational activities; in cooperation with bus company GoBus, three buses were donated by Tartu City Government to the City of Lviv. Tartu Voluntary Rescuers Society **donated search and rescue equipment** and **two off-road rescue vehicles** in March. Since the City of

Tartu annually supports the purchase and maintenance of the society's equipment, the city is indirectly related to this donation.

Finland

- **City of Tampere:** The City of Tampere donated 150 000€ to support Ukraine and Ukrainians. Together with other Finnish cities the donation was over 1,5 million euros.

France

- As announced at the CoR Summit in Marseille, our long term partners [Agency for technical cooperation and development - ACTED](#) with the support of the President of the Regional Council of Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur, Renaud Muselier, have [set up a mechanism](#) to gather humanitarian aid for Ukrainians fleeing the war through several hubs around France, and are shipping it directly to Poland (www.acted.org/en/humanitarian-convoys-for-ukraine). See [here the list of needs](#) .
- **The city of Marly (France)** helps Ukrainians from Drohobytch thanks to its sister-city in Poland. Read the [press release](#).
- **Auvergne Rhône-Alpes:** The region has released €300,000 for civil-society organisations already working on the ground.
- **Les Bouches-Du-Rhône:** The town has sent €100,000 to the Red Cross to help refugees and internally displaced people.
- **Lille: It has an emergency fund for refugees, totalling €100,000.**
- **Paris:** The French capital is providing €1 million in support to civil society organisations to support the people of Ukraine.
- **Rennes:** Plans to provide €80,000 in material support to humanitarian organisations.
- **Bourgogne-Franche-Comté:** The regional Council allocated 300,000€ to the French external action fund of the local authorities, to support Ukrainians. Additionally, emergency aid, camp beds, sleeping bags and other support was sent to NGO Acted and partner regions such as the Opole Voivodeship (Poland) and Central Bohemia (Czech Republic) and the region engages to rebuild an orphanage in the Ukrainian Oblast of Ivano-Frankivsk.

Germany

- **City of Mannheim:** In response to the war against Ukraine and the resulting refugee movements, the Mannheim City Council unanimously decided to support the twin cities of Chernivtsi (Ukraine), Chişinău (Republic of Moldova) and Bydgoszcz (Poland) with direct financial aid from the City of Mannheim in the amount of 1 million euros. This and other assistance provided is described in the attached document: [Overview Aid Ukraine Mannheim](#)
- **The Free State of Bavaria:** The Free State of Bavaria has provided aid to Ukraine quickly and in many ways. Since the beginning of March 2022, around 500000 euros worth of aid for Ukraine has been financed from the Bavarian State Government's budget alone: [Courtesy translation](#)

- **Deutscher Städtetag | Association of German Cities:** The city of Mannheim has provided around 60 tons of relief goods that have reached Mannheim's partner city Chişinău with four aid means of transport, including medical materials, staple food, sanitary items, electrical appliances, and many others.

Hungary

- The Municipality provides **food** not only at the shelters that are maintained by us but at several other locations as well for over 5-600 people daily. The overall number of meals provided is currently above 180 thousand: [Municipality of Budapest](#)

Latvia

- **Riga City Council** has made [€500,000 available](#) to support Ukrainian refugees.

Lithuania

- Arnoldas Abramavičius (LT/EPP), and his municipality **Zarasai (LT)** offered two trucks of humanitarian aid to Ukrainian municipality Chemerivtsi. More information and pictures are published here: [zarasai.lt](#). Their cooperation started under pilot peer-to-peer project implemented by the CoR in 2021-2019 with the support of "U-LEAD with Europe" programme.

Poland

- **Podkarpackie Region** together with the Podkarpackie Association of Subnational Government launched a campaign aimed at supporting the emergency services in their partner regions including Lviv, Ivano-Frankivsk, Zakarpattia and Ternopil. [The appeal for help](#) includes the list of the most needed equipment.
- "[We help Ukraine](#)": the city of **Gdansk** gathers requests for help and matches them with offers from individuals and organisations via a dedicated website <https://ukraina.gdanskpomaga.pl> "
- **Region of Warmińsko-Mazurskie**, at the initiative of Marshal Gustaw Marek Brzezina (PL/EPP), aims humanitarian aid at its partner Rivne Region in Western Ukraine. If any CoR member or local/regional entity would like to join those activities and direct their support to Rivne, please send an email to: dwm@warmia.mazury.pl
- Marshal Cezary Przybylski (ECR/PL) of **Lower Silesia** launched International Humanitarian Aid Hub in Wrocław to help Ukraine [DOLNY ŚLĄSK > RBWD > Aktualności \(dolnyslask.pl\)](#)
- The mayor of Kyiv, Vitali Klitschko, and the deputy mayor of Gdańsk, Piotr Grzelak, signed on 8 November, in Kyiv, a declaration of cooperation between

Polish and Ukrainian cities to work together for peace in Europe.

The [declaration](#) is open to other signatories.

- **City of Bialystok:** Transport for refugees, humanitarian transport, food, cosmetics and hygiene products, medicines, etc. were organized. Accommodation and Polish language lessons were also provided. Detailed information provided by the City of Bialystok can be found in the attached document: [Pomoc Białegostoku ukraińskim uchodźcom](#)
- **Wielkopolska Region:** Approximately 180,000 Ukrainian citizens found shelter in the Wielkopolska Region (this is about 5% of the region's population, totaling about 3.5 million inhabitants). More information in the document: [Wielkopolska Region for UA info for CoR EN](#)

Romania

- In Romania, **Timișoara City Hall**, civil society, religious communities, local entrepreneurs and volunteers have united their forces to help Ukrainian citizens fleeing from the war: <https://timisoarapentruucraina.ro/en/>
- **Maramureș County (Romania)** helps Ukrainian refugees. Read the [letter](#).
- **Cluj-Napoca:** The support group for Ukraine - was established in Cluj-Napoca municipality and this group included NGOs, private companies, and a total of over 70 local initiatives. A brief summary of the activities is given in the document: [Measures taken at local level in Cluj-Napoca](#)
- **Harghita County:** The volunteer Firefighters Association of Harghita County is constantly involved in delivering donations and transporting refugees from Ukraine.
- **Timiș County:** Timiș County Council has allocated funds from the reserve fund (approximately 50.000€) to The Red Cross in Ukraine for medication, hygiene, and sanitary products, food, and bedding to cater to the most urgent needs.

Spain

- Galician government [sent humanitarian aid to Ukraine and welcomed Ukrainian refugees](#)
- **Ayuntamiento de Estepona:** Provided informative talks about help and resources for Ukrainian citizens and Ukrainian associations in Estepona; bonuses in municipal sports schools to families who demand; aid for transport Estepona City Council. Detailed statistical data is provided in the document: [Informes obreacciones en la población ucraniana del excmoayto de estepona](#)
- **Community of Extremadura:** Measures taken by Community of Extremadura to help Ukrainians are listed in the document: [Información sobre Ucrania - Extremadura](#)
- **Comunitat Valenciana:** Measures taken by Comunitat Valenciana to help Ukrainians are listed in the document: [Comunitat Valenciana Ucrania](#)

Requests from Ukrainian local and regional authorities

- The **Ukrainian Association of District and Regional Councils** sent a [request](#) on behalf of a large list of district centres.
- The office of Mr. **Vitali Klitschko, Mayor of Kyiv**, indicated the Charity Fund "Kyiv of the Future", as source of social assistance (bank details [here](#)). You can also send humanitarian aid (list of requested goods is available [here](#)) directly to a coordination point in the Kyiv administration.
- The **Mayor of Nikopol** addressed a [request](#) for the following [supplies](#). The following [bank details](#) and further [contacts](#) were provided to support the Nikopol Regional Charitable Fund "Nikopol's Children".
- The **city of Kharkiv** shared a list of [construction and transport materials](#); it also shared a list of [priority equipment](#) needed to maintain the heating, water and sewerage networks. The city council's Department for Cooperation with International Agencies and Financial Institutions finally distributed a [presentation](#) to substantiate such needs.
- Deputy of the **Ovidiopol settlement council of the Odesa region**, volunteer Vitalina Kolesnyk, requests for humanitarian aid for the children of the community and equipment for elderly people with reduced mobility. Request details at the [link](#).
- The **community of Chortkiv (Ternopil Region)** addressed a request for delivering an emergency support with the following equipment. [The list with contacts details](#) was provided by the Municipal Agency for Local Economic Development for the attention of Europeans cities and regions.

Partner organisations

EaP Civil Society Forum: The EaP CSF Secretariat is regularly updating a [verified list](#) of charities and platforms/NGOs, which provide diverse humanitarian or other support to the people of Ukraine.

The **Assembly of European Regions (AER)** is coordinating with organisations in Ukraine and the EU to provide humanitarian relief. More information can be found [here](#).