



International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)

ICRC in Ukraine

January - September 2019 Activities Highlights

Water & Habitat



Over **10,000 people** along the LoC* rehabilitated their damaged houses with the help from the ICRC in the form of construction material and plastic windows, as well as construction teams who helped reconstruct the houses



120 residents of Travneve received construction material to rehabilitate the local collective centre where mental health support sessions are held



425,000 residents in 23 localities are supplied with water because of ICRC supported infrastructure rehabilitation and materials provided to Voda Donbasu, Popasna District Waterboard, and local municipal waterboards. **4,400 litres of fuel** donated to Voda Donbasu to help repair pipelines



5,000 m³ water tank in Bilohorivka was restored to eliminate the risk of leakage and ensure more reliable water supply. **4,100 litres of potable water** delivered for Dokuchaievsk residents



284 tonnes of chemicals (activated carbon, aluminium sulphate, liquefied chlorine) were provided to Popasna District Waterboard for water purification

Health Care



Conditions of over **2,000 patients and medical staff** in 14 medical structures, including a prosthetics and orthopedic centre, benefitted from reconstruction works supported by the ICRC



67 primary health care facilities on both sides of the LoC* received essential medical supplies, including NCD* medications. **30 hospitals** were supported with various items (dressing material, antibiotics, X-ray films, etc.) and medical equipment



Around **198,000 flacons and cartridges of insulin** were donated to cover the needs of patients with diabetes. **Two blood banks** ensured the safety of blood transfusion thanks to regular provision of reagents and blood bags by the ICRC



23 people with disabilities received **wheelchairs and walking aids**. **Eight facilities** received raw materials for prosthetics production, training equipment, and furniture



Over **700 health and community workers, as well as school teachers**, have learnt how to provide first aid following 59 training sessions conducted by the ICRC and URCS*



88 health workers participated in basic life support and advanced life support training sessions



1,000 people residing along the LoC* received support from ICRC's psychologists during over 900 individual and group sessions

Economic Security



86,000 people received **food and hygiene parcels**



Around **800 residents** of GCA*, living in difficult conditions, received regular cash assistance to cover their basic needs. **244 families**, whose relatives were wounded or died due to the conflict, received support in the form of cash or food and hygiene parcels



344 people along the LoC* received ICRC grants for their economic initiatives



890 individuals participated in training sessions on writing business plans and farming



14,000 families on both sides of the LoC* received support for their agricultural (seeds, tools, greenhouses) and livestock (chickens, cows, bees, etc.) activities



170 residents of four LoC* villages in Sloviansk area can reach nearby markets, banks, clinics, etc. by the **buses or other means of transportation** arranged by the ICRC



9,000 families in localities affected by the conflict received coal or cash assistance to heat their homes during the cold period



2,800 bedridden people received kits with hygiene items and bed linen

Crossing Points



Around **590,000 people** received various assistance, including tea, water, first aid and basic medication at **heating/cooling and a medical point operated by Red Cross volunteers** on both sides of the bridge in Stanytsia Luhanska and at Maiorske crossing point



Facilities for civilians at five crossing points were supported with maintenance (latrines, waste containers) and various materials (stoves, fuel, cleaning materials, LED bulbs, etc.)



People crossing the LoC* were protected from the adverse weather conditions while waiting under five refurbished sheds at crossing points

Humanitarian Law



Around **1,000 UAF* personnel** took part in seminars about ICRC activities and on applying IHL* in combat operations



2 classrooms for IHL* studying were opened in Yaroslav Mydryy Legal University of Kharkiv and Hetman Petro Sahaydachnyi National Army Academy of Lviv



200 prosecutors, civil servants, and students improved their knowledge of IHL* by participating in ICRC seminars



275 law enforcement officers have participated in seminars on intl. rules and standards for policing

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611 detainees were visited by ICRC delegates in 35 places of detention in GCA*. 380 detainees were newly registered



173 short oral and written messages were exchanged between detainees and their families



42 doctors and feldshers from seven detention facilities participated in training programmes on the provision of primary and emergency health care to patients with common chronic and acute medical conditions



350 penitentiary workers and civil society activists participated in training sessions on international standards on the treatment of detainees



Around **11,500 detainees** in 10 facilities in GCA* benefited from improvement of heating, sanitation, and other utility systems

Mine Risk



7 safe playgrounds installed for children to play in a safe environment on the both sides of the LoC



16,000 adults and children on both sides of the LoC* improved their knowledge of mine/UXO* risks during 777 sessions, including those conducted by the Red Cross volunteers



8,600 posters and brochures distributed among people residing along the LoC* to improve their knowledge of mines/UXO* risks



1,450 signs, 74 rolls of tape and over 1,000 wooden poles donated to relevant structures to **mark dangerous areas** in the Donbas. **Seven mine awareness billboards** installed along the LoC



55 pyrotechnic specialists, law enforcement and military personnel participated in ICRC training sessions on non-technical survey and blast trauma

In Mariupol, the ICRC supported creation of the regional Mine Action Centre and provided equipment for its educational space

Access to Education



Over **4,100 children and teachers** in 35 educational institutions on both sides of the LoC* benefited from rehabilitation of facilities and improved security measures (installation of the anti-blast film and sandwich panels, etc.)



600 children and teachers benefited from items donated for kitchen and eating area



5,200 children received school supplies

Family Links



786 families registered with the ICRC are still looking for their missing relatives. **83 new cases** of persons unaccounted for were registered, while **46 cases** registered with the ICRC were **closed**



282 families of missing persons received cash/voucher assistance



230 relatives of the missing received support from ICRC's psychologists



9 families received transportation assistance to reunite with their family members

Caring for the Dead



9 families were supported with funeral expenses. Two families received identification results with ICRC support



14 forensic and police institutions received protective and technical equipment, materials and furniture for their work on search and identification of human remains



11 forensic institutions benefited from the rehabilitation of premises or construction of new ones



14 forensic practitioners and representatives of relevant structures from both sides of LoC* were supported to participate in training and exchange of expertise abroad



300 forensic experts and police officers were trained in forensic human identification, search for the missing and forensic genetics, including during sessions in the newly opened Humanitarian Forensic Training Centre in Dnipro. **22 participants** took part in two round tables on the identification process and search for missing persons held in Donetsk

Cooperation



Around **14,000 patients** residing close to the LoC* were assisted by four URCS* mobile clinics, with support from the Austrian Red Cross and the ICRC



Around **688 elderly people** on both sides of the LoC* were assisted by 113 URCS* **home-visiting nurses** providing housekeeping, maintenance of personal hygiene, etc., supported by the ICRC



1,350 children and adults attended puppet shows, organized by URCS* volunteers to provide psychological relief, with support of the ICRC



135 volunteers of the emergency response teams, supported by the ICRC, were on duty to provide first aid during the elections and other mass gatherings in Ukraine



Around **560 Red Cross volunteers** participated in joint distributions of aid, rehabilitation of houses, first aid provision, psychosocial support, risk awareness, and safer behaviour programmes. **84 volunteers and URCS employees** improved their first aid skills by participating in trainings supported by the ICRC

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