



International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)

ICRC in Ukraine

2021 Activities Highlights

Water & Habitat



Around **872,500 people** benefited from infrastructure rehabilitation, supplies of operation and maintenance materials to water supply companies, including the provision of 1,130 litres of fuel for emergency repairs. Around 1,630 tonnes of water treatment chemicals and sand were provided for water treatment and filtration.



4,320 litres of artesian water were donated to cover the emergency needs of households and social institutions arising from shortages in drinking water supply.



Around **15,700 people** benefited from ICRC support of the repairs of their damaged homes, including through emergency repairs.



Over **1,000 people** benefited from the donation of tools and construction materials for the repair of seven community centres along the LoC*.

Health Care



61 primary health care facilities on either side of the LoC* received NCD* drugs, medical equipment, miscellaneous medical items and various consumables.



27 healthcare institutions benefited from the rehabilitation of premises and the donation of materials, including the completion of a new well as part of the COVID-19 response.



51 hospitals on either side of LoC* received medical equipment to cope with the COVID-19 pandemic and emergency preparedness materials. The response included 1,100,000 masks, 596 oxygen concentrators, 174 pulse oximeters, etc.



183 health facilities and health structures on either side of the LoC* received cold chain equipment as well as medical, IT (laptops with licensed software, printers, routers) and non-medical equipment (tables, chairs) along with posters and leaflets as part of the support to the COVID-19 vaccination.



Over **1,600 people with disabilities** got access to physical rehabilitation, assistive devices and other related services.



Around **750 people** residing along the LoC* attended first aid courses conducted by the URCS* with ICRC support.



Around **820 diabetes mellitus patients** received cash grants for supporting their dietary requirements.



83 people affected by the conflict residing close to the LoC* received psychological and psychosocial support.



101 community helpers (teachers, social workers and volunteers) along the LoC* received support to improve their coping strategies and stress management skills. **43 mental health practitioners and community helpers** were trained to provide support.

Humanitarian Law



955 UAF* personnel were trained in the basic principles of IHL* and awareness about ICRC during 33 sessions.



Around **160 prosecutors, government officials, staff members** of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine and students received an IHL* training. 41 people participated in IHL* competitions.



Around **350 law enforcement members** participated in seminars on IHL* and International Rules and Standards for Policing.

Economic Security



Around **37,000 people** along the LoC* received regular provisions of food and hygienic items.



Around **475 people** received cash support to cover their basic needs. **26 families**, whose relatives passed away or were injured due to the conflict, received assistance in the form of a monthly cash allowance or reimbursement of funeral expenses.



Around **2,300 households** on either side of the LoC* received cash grants or equipment for small businesses, livelihood activities or vocational training.



Around **8,650 families** benefited from the provision of tools, greenhouse equipment, seeds or cash grants to increase their food production. Out of these, 260 families were supported as part of the COVID-19 response.



175 social institutions and community centres were supported with various furniture and hygiene items.



Around **540 vulnerable families**, incl. those whose houses had been damaged, received furniture, electric appliances, household items or cash to purchase the necessary items to improve their living conditions.



Over **14,800 families** received fuel or cash for heating their houses during the winter period. 71 families received heaters and radiators. 700 families received insulation kits to protect their houses from heat loss.



Around **8,550 pupils** received school kits. 500 children received first-grader's kits (chair, table, wardrobe, organizer, raincoat and table lamp).



2,500 bedridden people received kits for their needs, 600 people received blankets.



20 families from isolated localities received electric bikes to improve their access to goods and services.



135 IDPs* in Odesa, Kherson and Mykolaiv regions received cash assistance for their basic needs or preparation for winter.

Access to Education



Around **5,200 students** benefited from rehabilitation works, donation of construction materials or installation of windows at 24 education facilities on either side of the LoC*.



Around **15,600 students** including 1,870 children with disabilities, at 101 educational facilities on either side of the LoC* received assistance aimed at creating adequate conditions for teaching and studying at educational facilities and libraries.



43 educational facilities on either side of the LoC* were supported with sanitation items as part of the COVID-19 response.



Around **150 students** were trained in project management skills, 10 of their projects enhancing access to education and school safety were supported with grants.



110 participants of Active Aging Clubs joined educational sessions supported by the ICRC and the URCS* to enable life-long learning and community resilience.



16 children of the missing as well as child mine victims received laptops and learning materials.

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Family Links

- 813 families** registered with the ICRC are still looking for their missing relatives. 43 new cases of persons unaccounted for were registered, while 33 cases were closed.
- 157 families** of missing persons received cash/voucher assistance. 37 families received grants for their economic initiatives.
- ICRC supported **233 vulnerable individuals** to cross the LoC* in either direction to reunite with their family members.
- 140 relatives** of the missing received psychological support.
- 62 families** of the missing participated online in the Eurasia International Conference of Families of Missing Persons. Three trainings for Associations of the Families of the Missing were conducted. Six projects of the Associations were supported financially.

Mine Risk

- Around **22,400 people** along the LoC* improved their knowledge of mine risks during online and offline educational sessions, including those conducted with the participation of the URCS*.
- Around **7,350 marking signs**, 5,810 wooden poles and 418 rolls of marking tape were donated to responsible structures for marking hazardous areas on either side of the LoC*.
- 17 safe playing areas** for children were constructed to reduce the mine/ERW* threat along the LoC*.
- 316 staff members** of relevant agencies and structures engaged in mine awareness activities were trained at 32 workshops and sessions.
- 2 new mine action centres** in Chernihiv and Merefya were supported with equipment and materials. CBRN* equipment was provided to SESU* to step up its preparedness for industrial emergencies in Luhansk oblast.

Crossing Points

- Red Cross volunteers provided support to people crossing at the heating/cooling points on both sides of the bridge at Stanytsia Luhanska, including to people with disabilities and children. Moreover, over **16,750 people** received first aid from the URCS* and around **180,000 refreshments** (tea, sugar) and hygiene items were provided to people crossing the LoC*.
- Around **11,700 people** were provided with medical services, in particular around 10,700 got tested for COVID-19 by two nurses at the URCS* medical and social room at the EECP* Chonhar in Kherson region with the ICRC financial support.
- 2 crossing points** on either side of the LoC* were supported with the maintenance of latrines and garbage containers, operation of two heating/cooling points and general improvement of facilities.

Detention

- ICRC Delegates visited detainees in **26 places of detention**. 31 detainees were newly registered.
- ICRC facilitated the delivery of **18 parcels/messages** between detainees and their families.
- 28,000 detainees** in 49 places of detention on either side of the LoC* benefitted from various health and COVID-19 support, hygiene and food assistance, as well as material donations and rehabilitation works, including the improvement of the facilities for disabled detainees.

Caring for the Dead

- 9 autopsy kits**, 10,800 respirators, around 6,900 body bags and over 3,700 disinfectant gels were donated to forensic institutions on either side of the LoC*.
- 17 forensic institutions** benefitted from design projects, donation of materials and structural rehabilitations of existing premises.

Cooperation

- 2 vaccination points** were arranged at URCS* branches. Around 192,500 people have been reached across Ukraine with printed materials dedicated to vaccination which were produced with ICRC and IFRC* support. In addition, URCS representatives consulted around 172,000 persons on vaccination issues in individual conversations and group information sessions.
- Around **400 residents** of GCA* territories close to the LoC* received medical assistance from two URCS* Mobile Clinics with the support of the Austrian Red Cross and the ICRC.
- Around **680 elderly** living alone, including individuals with disabilities, on either side of the LoC* were assisted by 124 Red Cross home-visiting nurses supported by the ICRC.
- 9 missions** of emergency response teams (ERT) during disasters, mass gatherings and protests were financially supported by the ICRC. Around 200 ERT volunteers improved their emergency response skills through training provided with the ICRC financial support and by participating in the ERT annual meeting.
- Around **3,100 people** contacted the Red Cross COVID-19 hotline in Luhansk area operating with the ICRC financial support.
- Around **400 Red Cross volunteers** contributed to ICRC aid distributions; house repair; implementation of first aid, psychological support, and access to education programmes; COVID-19 response as well as a risk awareness and safer behaviour programme.
- 2 URCS* branch offices** were rehabilitated to increase the accessibility of the premises. 17 projects of the URCS* and its local branches were supported. 30 volunteers were trained in capacity building and English.

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