

Purpose of this factsheet:

This factsheet aims at contributing to the quality implementation of humanitarian cash for protection for Ukraine and the region that is presented in the Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) and in the Regional Refugee Response Plan (RRP), as published on 15 February 2023. As a reminder, in support of the respective national governments, the coordination of the HRP is led by OCHA, while UNHCR leads the coordination of the refugee response.

HOT TOPICS AND QUESTIONS OF THE MOMENT

- ➔ **Inside Ukraine:**
How can CVA (Cash & Voucher Assistance) be used to support evacuations?
- ➔ **Outside Ukraine:**
Are the amounts made available to Ukrainian refugees as part of national protection schemes sufficient to meet their basic and protection needs?
- ➔ **Inside and outside Ukraine:**
What is the difference between Cash for Protection, Emergency Case Management and Individual protection assistance?
- ➔ What type of information on children should and should not be collected at enrolment stage, considering data protection risks? (Ex: birth certificates)
- ➔ Closure of community centres - how to ensure a protective shelter and environment for families?
- ➔ What would the implications be of setting more restrictive selection criterias for cash assistance?
- ➔ How to mitigate existing/future protection risks associated with lack of available and affordable shelter options?
- ➔ Should the CVA assistance still be limited to 3 months? How can agencies best support foster families with CVA?
- ➔ How to estimate the value of protection top ups in CVA calculations?
- ➔ How to set up referral mechanisms between CVA and Protection teams that are safe from a data protection perspective?

KEY FIGURES

5,1M estimated number of Ukrainian IDPs ([link](#))

6,0M refugees fleeing Ukraine recorded in Europe ([link](#))

5,4M people have benefitted from humanitarian assistance ([link](#))

Map: this factsheet covers updates in Cash and in Protection in the following countries:



Role of the C4PTF in Ukraine ([link to website](#))

- ➔ Provide technical guidance on the design of CVA & Protection assessments and activities and analysis of findings, including through the dissemination of tools and key resources
- ➔ Offer a space for collaboration and discussion to address key CVA and Protection challenges that emerge, ensuring sharing of best practices and lessons learnt.
- ➔ Adapt global guidance and tools to the Ukrainian response

Key links for Cash for Protection in the Ukrainian regional response

Coordination tools in grey - General guidance in pale blue - CP4TF resources in green

PROTECTION UPDATES - RELIEFWEB

→ Reliefweb landing page for Protection in Ukraine

MEAL INDICATORS - CVA & PROTECTION

→ C4PTF recommended indicators for programs using CVA combined with Protection activities

PROTECTION RISK ANALYSIS FOR CVA

→ C4PTF mapping of the different protection risks that refugees and IDPs are facing in Ukraine

UKRAINE CASH WORKING GROUP PAGE

→ Landing page of CWG with all relevant documents, updates, factsheet, toolbox

CONSIDERING PROTECTION WITH MEB

→ C4PTF resource on how to consider protection aspects when designing a MEB: key protection risks & costs

KEY CONSIDERATIONS FOR CVA & CP

→ C4PTF general guidance on how to implement CVA to achieve Child Protection outcomes.

UKRAINE PROTECTION MONITORING TOOL

→ Ukraine Protection Monitoring tool at the community level - Protection Cluster, Ukraine

GLOBAL PROTECTION CLUSTER - C4P

→ All assessments, useful tipsheets and guidance listed in the previous factsheets

GPC - CASH FOR PROTECTION DEFINITIONS - WORKING DOCUMENT

→

UKRAINE 2023 CVA DASHBOARD

→ Live dashboard with # of people assisted, # of partners and type, # of activities and coverage

GBV MONITORING TOOLKIT

→ Instructs cash practitioners to adapt CBI monitoring systems to reflect protection risks

SAVE THE CHILDREN CVA AND CP TOOLKIT

→ Toolkit for Monitoring and Evaluating Child Protection When Using Cash and Voucher Assistance

INTENTIONS SURVEY RESULTS

→ UNHCR live dashboard of intentions and perspectives of Refugees from Ukraine

USING CVA TO PROTECT CHILDREN

→ Live document: key consideration when using CVA to achieve CP outcomes

CVA & GBV COMPENDIUM: A TOOLKIT

→ Guidelines for Integrating Gender-Based Violence Interventions in Humanitarian Action

PROTECTION PROFILING & MONITORING

→ UNHCR live dashboard of protection risks and needs of Refugees from Ukraine

STC CP & CVA MEAL TOOLKIT

→ To assess, address and monitor Direct and indirect impact on CP concern, and CP benefits of CVA.

GBV CONSIDERATION IN UKRAINE

→ Consideration for Women and Girls when using cash in Ukraine and the Regional Refugee Response (UNFPA)

Key contacts in the C4PTF

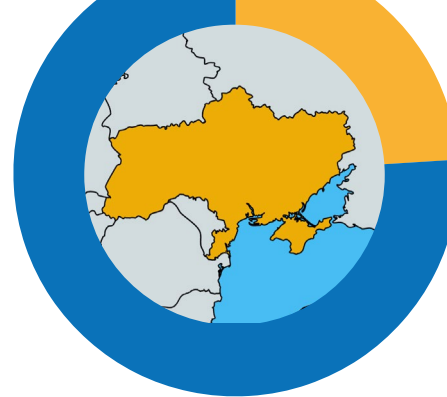


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Key updates relevant to CVA & Protection in Ukraine



24% Funded (of \$3,9bn)¹

KEY FIGURES

2,5M people assisted by MPCA as of June 2023 ([link](#))

\$346M amount disbursed in MPCA as June 2023 ([link](#))

CVA

RECOMMENDATIONS

74USD - 2200UAH
per person per month / Shelter top-ups of 130USD per HH

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General response updates - in Ukraine

UNHCR Operational Response, Delivery Updates (22 June 2023) - ([link](#))

UNHCR Monthly Operational Update, May 2023 ([link](#))

OCHA - UNHCR - Ukraine situation Flash Update #49 (26 June 2023) - ([link](#)) and #48 ([link](#))

OCHA - Ukraine - Humanitarian Impact and Response Flash Update #7: Destruction of Kakhovka Dam (16 Jun 2023) ([link](#))

OCHA - Ukraine Humanitarian Fund Annual Report 2022 ([link](#))

OCHA - Ukraine: 2023 Humanitarian Response Plan Funding Snapshot (as of 8 June 2023) ([link](#))

USAID - Ukraine - Complex Emergency Fact Sheet #17, Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 ([link](#))

WFP Ukraine External Situation Report #40 (16 June 2023) ([link](#))

UNICEF Ukraine Humanitarian Situation Report No. 28: 1 – 31 May 2023 ([link](#))

Cash updates

IOM, OCHA - Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance Targeting Framework, May 2023 ([link](#))

This revised framework outlines (1) the eligibility criteria for Rapid MPCA, (2) the scoring model for Emergency Cash Assistance (ECA), and (3) a technical summary of how the ECA scoring model was developed.

OCHA - Ukraine Cash Working Group, 9 June 2023 ; Meeting Minutes ([link](#))

WHO - Can people afford to pay for health care? New evidence on financial protection in Ukraine 2023 ([link](#))) And leaflet on Financial protection in Ukraine ([link](#))

The new WHO/Europe report, “Can people afford to pay for health care? New evidence on financial protection in Ukraine”, shows that financial hardship due to out-of-pocket payments is almost entirely driven by spending on medicines and inpatient care. Medicines are the main driver in poorer households and inpatient care in wealthier households. Inpatient care plays a much larger role in driving catastrophic health spending in Ukraine than in most other countries in the European Region.

OCHA - AAP - Updated list of iNGOs and NGOs providing MPCA - ([link](#))

→ REACH - JMMI Dashboard ([link](#))

→ IOM, OCHA - MPCA targeting framework, May 2023 ([link](#))

1. OCHA - Ukraine Humanitarian Response 2023: Situation Report, 26 May 2023 ([link](#)) - Funding as of May 2023.

Key updates continued - Ukraine

Protection - General updates

Protection Cluster, UNHCR – National Meeting Minutes (14 June 2023) ([link](#)) ([link to previous minutes](#))

Protection Cluster, UNHCR - Updated Organogram, June 2023 ([link](#))

PSEA

PSEA Network Ukraine Quarterly Newsletter, April - June 2023 ([link](#)); PSEA Inter-Agency Communication Strategy ([link](#)); PSEA Focal Points Ukraine - Terms of Reference - (June 2023) ([link](#))

UNCT Ukraine - Mitigating and Managing the Risk of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse by Humanitarian Workers in Ukraine – an Inter-Agency Plan of Action, May 2023 ([link](#))

GBV

GBV SC Coordination Meeting Notes 08 June 2023 ([link](#)) (25 may – [link](#))

Ukraine: GBV Subcluster Working Group on Addressing the Needs of Male Survivors of Sexual Violence, 18 May 2023 ; Meeting Minutes ([link](#))

Child Protection

Ukraine Child Protection Sub Cluster (CPSC) 21 June 2023, Meeting Minutes ([link](#))

MHPSS

IMC, WHO - Technical working group on Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) Meeting minutes (June 22, 2023) ([link](#)); (June 8, [link](#))– Founding meeting, meeting minutes ([link](#))

Older persons

HelpAge - Rebuilding a society for all ages in Ukraine: a call for age inclusive reform and recovery ([link](#)) - A failure to meet the needs of Ukraine's older population could seriously undermine the country's recovery efforts.

- Ukraine has the largest percentage of older people affected by conflict in the world.
- 90% of older people unable to pay for basic medical needs.
- The war-damaged infrastructure puts strain on struggling healthcare system.
- Government of Ukraine and its international partners must plan for changing demographics now to have successful recovery later.

→ [UNHCR - UKRAINE HOTLINE LIST](#)

→ [GBV REFERRAL PATHWAYS - UKRAINE](#)

→ [REGIONAL PSEA AND SAFEGUARDING NETWORK](#)

Protection Cluster - Protection Analysis Update for the period January – June 2023 ([link](#))

The 24 February 2022 full-scale invasion of Ukraine by the Russian Federation has led to an international armed conflict constituting regular direct and disproportionate attacks against civilians and civilian infrastructure, forced displacement, destruction of civilian property, sexual violence, and infliction of psychological trauma and stress. According to the 2023 Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP), 15.4 million individuals, including IDPs, returnees and non-displaced people are in need of humanitarian protection assistance, including General Protection, Gender-Based Violence (GBV), Child Protection and Mine Action interventions. 4.4 million people in the East near the frontline and in areas under the temporary military control of the Russian Federation are at highest risk. From February 2022 to June 2023, an estimated 4,043 acts of violence targeting civilians have been recorded across Ukraine —with three quarters of incidents consisting of shelling, artillery and missile strikes, rendering Ukraine the deadliest country in the world for violence in 2022 and causing continued untold harm to civilian populations.

The protection risks requiring immediate attention in the period covered by this analysis are:

- Attacks Against Civilians and Civilian Infrastructure
- Impediments and/or restrictions to access Legal Identity, Remedies and Justice
- Risks of Mines & Explosive Ordnance
- Gender-Based Violence
- Infliction of Trauma and Distress to Children through Violence, Abuse and Destruction

Key updates continued - Ukraine - Assessments & reports

All previous assessments listed on the factsheets are available on the GPC website ([link](#)) and OCHA - Assessment mapping ([link](#))

UNDP - Ukraine Human Impact Assessment (June 2023) ([link](#))

SeeD - Score-Inspired Holistic Assessment of Resilience of Population (SHARP): Assessing Social Cohesion, Resistance, and People's Needs in Ukraine Amid Russian Full-Scale Invasion – Wave 1 (2022) ([link](#))




FHI 360 - Research: Needs assessment of internally displaced persons in psychosocial support within the framework of the project "Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Response and Care Units: Integrating Essential Survivor Care in Eastern and Southern Ukraine ([link](#))

WFP - Ukraine - Needs Assessment: Food Security and Essential Needs, June 2023 - Analysis of data from the 2022 Ukraine Multisector Needs Assessment ([link](#))

The Ukraine Multi-Sector Needs Assessment (MSNA) household survey took place between October and December 2022, as a collaboration between REACH Initiative and the World Food Programme (WFP) Ukraine. 13,449 households were surveyed through face-to-face and phone interviews

- Nationwide around 27% of households was considered highly or extremely vulnerable in terms of meeting essential needs. An additional 55% were moderately vulnerable.
- Among the households falling below the MEB, the median economic gap, i.e. the difference between the cost of the MEB and household economic capacity, was 2,355 UAH per capita per month.

Most commonly reported household income sources, % of HHs reporting income source

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| Pension | 51% |  |
| Regular Employment | 45% |  |
| Gvt Social benefits | 10% |  |
| Informal employment | 10% |  |

Reports

UNHCR - Ukraine Situation: Supporting an area-based approach to durable solutions ([link](#))

- Transparent, equitable and impactful recovery will require joined up, area-based approaches and sustained investments by a range of actors. Guided by the Government's National Recovery Plan, UNHCR co-leads the UN Durable Solutions Steering Committee, which seeks to establish an inclusive, holistic approach to early recovery. With total financial requirements of \$230 million in 2023-24, UNHCR will focus its solutions programming in six key priority areas (including cash assistance)

DFS (Data Friendly Space) - Ukrainian Crisis Situational Analysis - 20 June 2023 ([link](#)) – 2 June 2023 ([link](#))

DFS - Ukrainian Conflict Analysis Brief - The humanitarian situation in frontline communities (14 June 2023) ([link](#))

Save the Children, RISE - Build Forward: NGO recommendations on Ukraine recovery and reconstruction (June 2023) ([link](#))

Key updates continued - REACH Ukraine - Overview of Humanitarian Needs in Government-Controlled Areas (GCAs) (link)

Protection highlights:

- KIs in over half of the assessed settlements (57%, n=182/317) highlighted the threat of a missile attack among the main safety and security concerns for people in the settlement. This concern was particularly pronounced in Zones A and B (reported by KIs in 61% (n=157/257) of the assessed settlements in these zones).
- Furthermore, people in settlements in Zone A appeared to be more commonly facing safety and security concerns surrounding exposure to armed violence/shelling (reported by KIs in 45% (n=44/97) of the assessed settlements in Zone A), as well as presence of landmines/UXO (37%, n=35/97).
- KIs also reported that some groups of people in the settlement were able to meet their everyday needs to a lesser extent, including people who had been directly harmed by the ongoing violence (reported by KIs in 36% of the assessed settlements, n=115/317), returnees (30%, n=95/317), and IDPs (10%, n=32/317).

Access to financial services:

- The level of need in relation to accessing financial services remained consistent between rounds with KIs in 30% (n=76/257) of the assessed settlements in Zones A and B in March/April 2023 (R9) and 33% (n=84/257) in February 2023 (R8) reporting that most people had not had access to cash, ATMs, and banking services in the 14 days prior to data collection. Most of the mentioned settlements in March/April 2023 (R9) (n=53/76) were in Zone A.
- Access to financial services was reportedly mainly hindered by lack of functioning banks/financial institutions in the area and lack of work opportunity.
- Furthermore, REACH's Joint Monitoring Market Initiative reported that access to banks and ATMs remained an issue particularly in areas closer to hostilities or affected by air attacks and power outages, and Kharkivska and Khersonska oblasts were identified as areas with the greatest issues

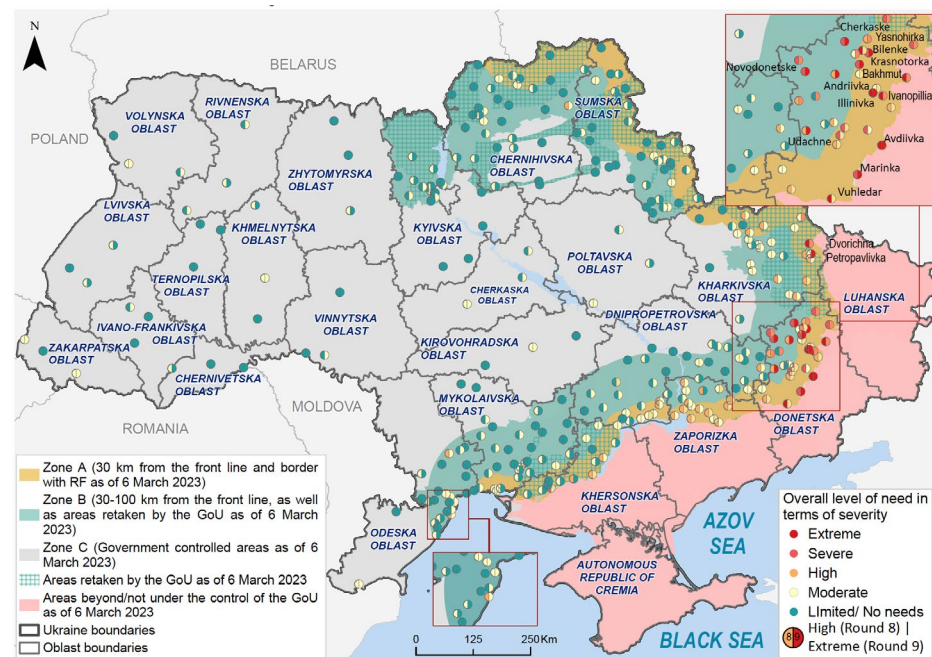
Livelihoods

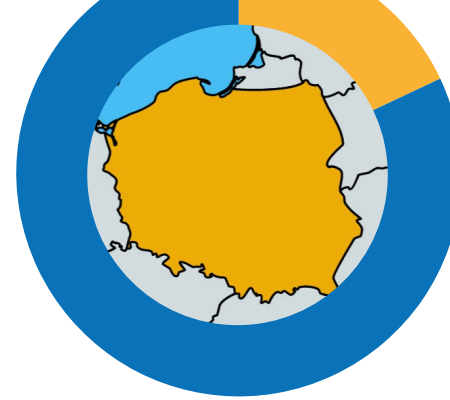
- REACH's 2022 MSNA findings also indicated that livelihoods needs were most common in the regions directly affected by the war with the East and North macro-regions found to have the highest proportions of households (HHs) experiencing Livelihoods Living Standard Gaps (LSGs). Similarly, HH members 18-59 years old located in the oblasts in East and South macro-regions were less likely to report being officially employed than those in West, North, and Centre macro-regions.

Access to markets:

- The situation in terms of access to markets to purchase goods also continued to be particularly concerning in the areas closer to the front line. No major change was observed in March/April 2023 (R9) compared to February 2023 (R8). While the level of need in relation to accessing markets was reportedly 'minimal' (see the Annex on p9) in the majority of the assessed settlements, KIs in 19% (n=48/257) of the settlements in Zones A and B reported a 'high' or above level of need (corresponding to at least 1-9% of population having been unable to access markets to purchase goods in the 14 days prior to data collection). Additionally, most people in the majority of these settlements (n=37/48) reportedly had not had access to nonfood items (NFIs) as well.
- While assessing barriers to accessing markets, KIs most often highlighted that the roads were too dangerous (due to the presence of mines/unexploded ordnances (UXOs)), there were no markets available in the area, the roads to the closest markets were blocked, there was no transportation to the markets in the area, as well as that necessary items were not available in the market.

Map 1: Settlements by overall level of need and by round - March/April 2023 (Round 9) and February 2023 (Round 8)





18% Funded (of \$103M)¹

Key updates relevant to CVA & Protection in Poland

Overall updates

RRP - Poland: 2023 Regional Refugee Response Plan - Reporting Guidelines ([link](#))

RRP Poland: Overview of Potential Activities in Support of Refugees from Ukraine Willing to Leave Collective Sites (May/June2023) ([link](#))

UNHCR - DOs and DON'Ts FOR VOLUNTEERS ([link](#))

UNHCR - Poland: Funding Opportunities for Polish NGOs, 26 May 2023 ([link](#)) - Polish translation ([link](#))

CVA updates

CWG Meeting Minutes - 21 June 2023 ([link](#))

MEB (Minimum Expenditure Basket) update: The co-chairs briefed the audience referring to the previous meetings and agreements, including the guidance note ([link](#)) on the updated transfer values. The new transfer values will be effective from July onwards and organizations are to comply with the new transfer values.

PSEA

Thematic Brief Investigation capacity into allegations of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse in the Ukrainian Refugee Response ([link](#))

Poland: Guidance note on PSEA terminology and its recommended translation into Polish language ([link](#))

2023 PSEA Network Action Plan ([link](#))

Inter-Agency Complaints Referral for SEA allegations ([link](#))

→ INTER-AGENCY COMPLAINTS
REFERRAL FOR SEA ALLEGATIONS

→ GBV REFERRAL PATHWAYS - POLAND

KEY FIGURES

1M refugees have been recorded
([link](#))

CVA RECOMMENDATIONS

195USD - 820PLN
for the 1st person per month +
820PLN per HH member, to a
max. of 4,100PLN per HH ([link](#))

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1. UNHCR Poland Operational Update, 15 May 2023 ([link](#))



Focus - key findings of UNHCR Regional Protection analysis#2* ([link](#)) Findings from Ukrainian refugees in Poland with 24,512 Respondents- Last update 4th July 2023

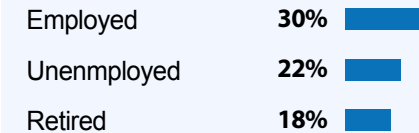
25% of households contain at least one member with a specific need.

These households encounter difficulties meeting their needs in host countries, leading to increased protection risks and potential influence on return decisions, even in sub-optimal conditions in Ukraine.

42% of respondents are staying in rented accommodation

5% of respondents will need to find new accommodation in less than three months, mainly due to the termination of free accommodation programmes.

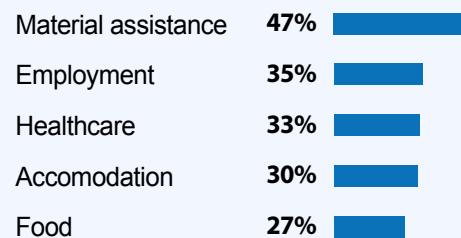
Most commonly reported current activity in the host country



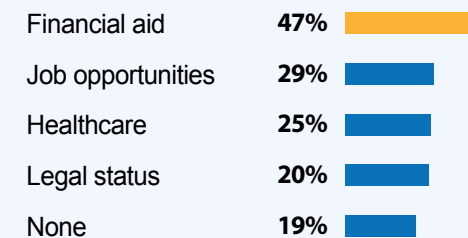
82% of respondents reported at least one urgent need

84% of respondents who have urgent needs prefer to receive support as cash

Most commonly reported urgent need



Most commonly reported Information needs



* UNHCR - Displacement Patterns, Protection Risks and Needs of Refugees from Ukraine - Regional Protection Analysis # 2 ([link](#))

Refugee coordination forum in Poland (link)

The Government of Poland leads the refugee response, complemented by activities of humanitarian organizations. The work of the humanitarian organizations which are part the refugee response is coordinated through the Refugee Coordination Model (RCM).

Since March 2022, the RCM has been adopted to respond to the sudden influx of refugees from Ukraine. In Poland, the RCM is coordinated through the Inter-Sector Coordination Group (ISCG). The RCM facilitates interventions that are in line with government priorities while maximizing resource complementarity and impact. At the national level, the ISCG in Poland consists of the sectors as outlined on this page. Additionally, several working groups and networks are reporting to the ISCG. Taking a localized approach, aside of the national structure, inter-agency Refugee Coordination Fora (RCF) are established in Mazowieckie (Warsaw), Malopolskie (Krakow), Lubelskie (Lublin) and Podkarpackie (Rzeszow).

The RCM maximizes opportunities for cross-fertilization in the implementation of the Refugee Response Plan 2023 through the ISCG and RCF architecture, enabling participating organizations to build on tangible achievements made in 2022.

* - including mental health and psycho-social support working group jointly with the protection sector

The **Government of Poland** has the primary responsibility of the refugee response. Under the Refugee Coordination Model, the **UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR)** coordinates the complementary activities of humanitarian actors.




→ **POLAND CASH TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP**

→ **POLAND PSEA NETWORK**

WORKING GROUPS & NETWORKS

- Accountability to Affected Populations** UNHCR / TBC
Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse Network UNHCR/FDDS/Plan International
- Basic Needs (NFI, WASH, Food Security)** UNHCR / TBC
- Cash-based Interventions** UNHCR / Polish Humanitarian Action
- Information Management** UNHCR
- NGO Forum "Razem"** Polish Humanitarian Action

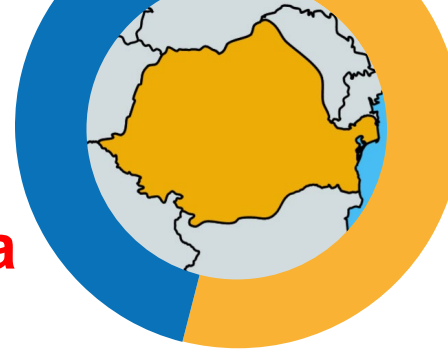
 Coordination Meeting
Calendar & [Contact List](#)

Podkarpackie
Rzeszow

Malopolskie
Krakow

Lubelskie
Lublin

SUBNATIONAL
COORDINATION



54% Funded (of \$59,5M)¹

Key updates relevant to CVA & Protection in Romania

General updates

UNHCR Romania - Ukraine Refugee Situation Update - 3 July 2023 ([link](#)) - 26 June ([link](#)) - 16 June ([link](#))

Ukraine Situation Inter-Agency Romania Update May 2023 ([link](#))

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps:

Protection: Some refugees and local authorities, charged with the task to register applications for the new government support program, reported confusion about the initial requirements for enrolling in the first month of the programme and the conditionalities outlined in the new government assistance programme despite the information provision and support channels. Furthermore, vulnerable refugees, such as those with disabilities and/or severe health conditions, large families, and those struggling with digital tools reportedly struggle to enrol in the new programme. Targeted interventions to address confusion with local authorities and clear and tailored information dissemination to refugees will be key to address challenges in the implementation of the new programme.

CP: Limited availability of services for disabled refugee children. Linguistic barriers especially for the much-needed MHPSS support. Adapting sensitive content to Ukrainian cultural acceptance.

GBV: Gender concerns regarding integration in the labour market is popping up. There is a clash between the structural pressure to enter the labour market and a traditional mindset related to the role of man and women. While the man is considered the usual breadwinner, women sometimes restrain themselves from getting a job due to fear of triggering their partners' aggression. During discussions with refugees, sexual education is coming up as an issue of concern. While youngsters are interested in sexual education, more specifically giving consent, preventing GBV and birth control methods in Romania and Ukraine, elderly women sense the need not only to talk about sexuality and sexual violence.

Cash: The deduplication is happening only with small number of partners as the deduplication Data Sharing Agreement is not signed yet by partners that providing cash/voucher assistance. More trainings are needed for the organizations participating in the deduplication to further utilize UNHCR the deduplication Tool (RAIS).

PSEA: WVI reported that in their areas of intervention they have identified a need to create better communication and engagement or their refugee beneficiaries as well as a need to continue raising awareness and sharing information on PSEA and on the available way to make complaints in a safe and confidential way.

MHPSS: Administrative and language barriers continue to make it difficult for families to access medical assistance. While the project-bilateral recognition of the qualification for psychologists could be helpful, it is uncertain when it will be implemented. RRP partners and local authorities should explore innovative solutions to overcome administrative and language barriers, such as partnering with local communities or providing language support services. By addressing these gaps, the needs of the refugee communities will be better served and the effectiveness of their MHPSS programs improved. Some of the challenges encountered included the provision of psychological counselling with the assistance of a translator, which affected the engagement of people in the sessions. Furthermore, referring individuals to specialized MHPSS support has proven difficult due to the limited options available.

KEY FIGURES

136k refugees have been recorded ([link](#))

CVA

RECOMMENDATIONS

120USD per person per month (568RON)

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1. UNHCR Romania - Ukraine Refugee Situation Update, Update #48 - 26 May 2023 ([link](#))



Focus - key findings of UNHCR Regional Protection analysis#2* [\(link\)](#) Findings from Ukrainian refugees in Romania with 2,304 Respondents- Last update 4th July 2023

17% of households contain at least one member with a specific need. These households encounter difficulties meeting their needs in host countries, leading to increased protection risks and potential influence on return decisions, even in sub-optimal conditions in Ukraine.

70% of respondents are staying in rented accommodation. 17% of respondents will need to find new accommodation in less than three months, mainly due to the termination of free accommodation programmes.

Most commonly reported current activity in the host country

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| Family responsibilities | 24% | <div style="width: 24%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div> |
| Employed | 20% | <div style="width: 20%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div> |
| Unemployed | 17% | <div style="width: 17%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div> |

87% of respondents reported at least one urgent need

78% of respondents who have urgent needs prefer to receive support as cash

Most commonly reported urgent need

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| Material assistance | 47% | <div style="width: 47%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div> |
| Education | 42% | <div style="width: 42%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div> |
| Employment | 41% | <div style="width: 41%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div> |
| Accommodation | 39% | <div style="width: 39%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div> |
| Food | 26% | <div style="width: 26%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div> |

Most commonly reported information needs

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| Financial aid | 47% | <div style="width: 47%; height: 10px; background-color: #FFC000;"></div> |
| Job opportunities | 32% | <div style="width: 32%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div> |
| Healthcare | 28% | <div style="width: 28%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div> |
| Education | 24% | <div style="width: 24%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div> |
| Accommodation | 22% | <div style="width: 22%; height: 10px; background-color: #0070C0;"></div> |

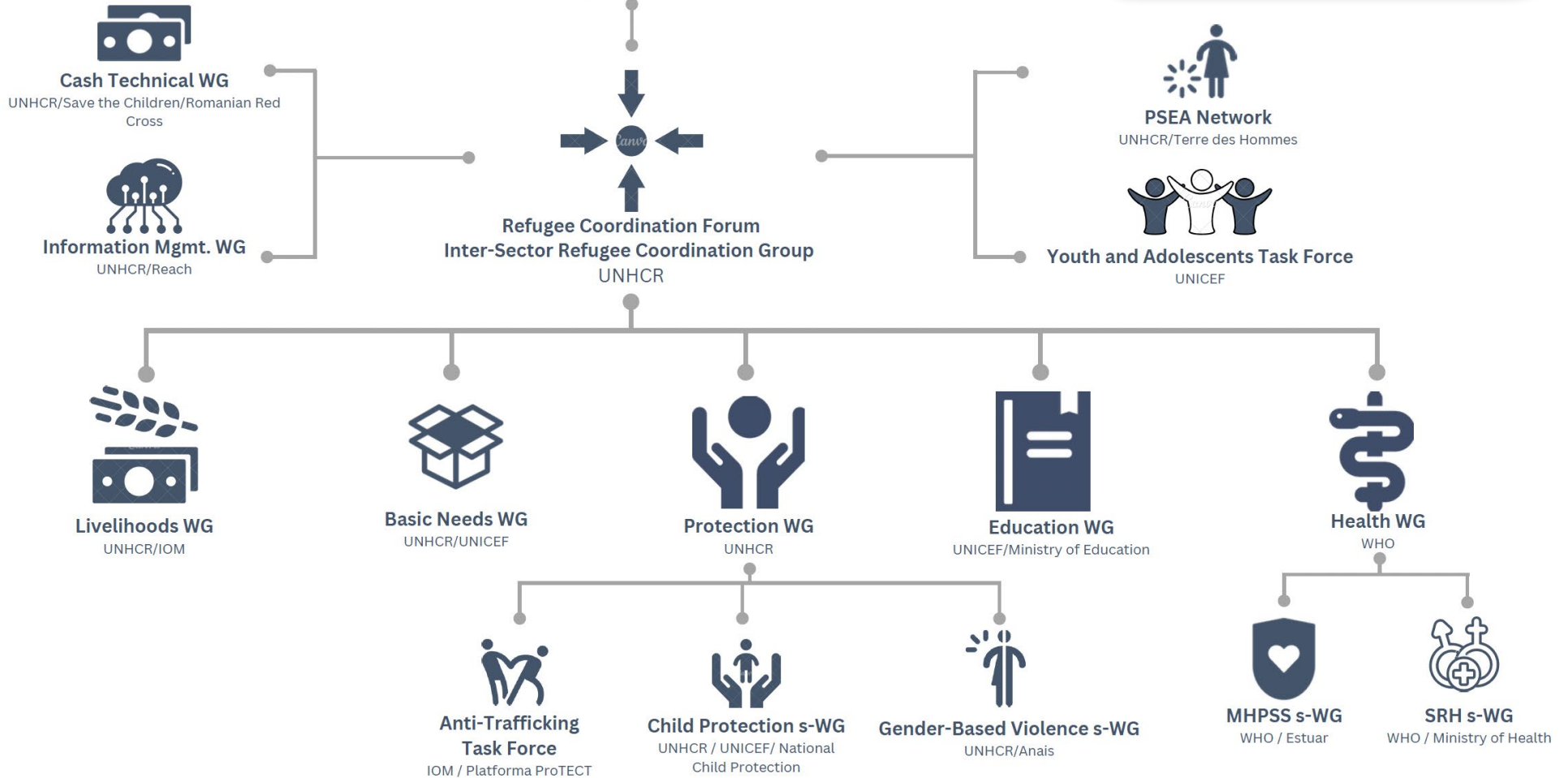


Refugee coordination structure in Romania (link)

Government of Romania

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Prim-Ministrului Departamentul pentru
Situatii de Urgenta

UNHCR
Representative



→ **ROMANIA CASH TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP**

→ **ROMANIA PSEA NETWORK**



Key updates relevant to CVA & Protection in Moldova

General / operational updates

RRP - Ukraine Situation: Moldova - Inter-agency operational update - 1st Quarter ([link](#))

UNHCR - Ukraine Situation: Moldova - Operations Update (26 June 2023 – [link](#)) 12 June 2023 - [link](#))

Ukraine Situation - Moldova: Funding Opportunities for Local CSOs in Moldova (01 Jul 2023) ([link](#)) (06 Jun 2023) ([link](#))

Protection updates

Protection Working Group Meeting Minutes (24 May 2023) ([link](#))

RRP - Gender-Based Violence Sub-Working Group Meeting Minutes (30 May 2023 - [link](#)) (05 May 2023 - [link](#))

Ukraine situation: Moldova: Gender Task Force Factsheet ENG (03 Jul 2023) ([link](#))

PSEA

PSEA Network: Does and don'ts for volunteers ([link](#))

Guidance note - Vetting and registration of volunteers and volunteer organisations ([link](#))

UNCT Presentation (30 Jun 2023) ([link](#))

AAP

AAP Moldova Factsheet, June 2023 ([link](#))

UNHCR, Laolaltia - Ukraine Situation: Moldova - Accountability to Affected People - Refugee and Local Community Feedback Report (May 2023) ([link](#))

- Ukrainian refugees continuously report that monthly cash assistance programs are of utmost importance for them and help to cover partially rent and other expenses in Moldova. Therefore unpaid, missed or delayed payments are reported as major problems a refugee faces when relying on humanitarian assistance.

Task Force Meeting Minutes (19 June 2023) ([link](#))

MHPSS

MHPSS TRG - Meeting Presentation (13 June 2023) ([link](#)) and project presentation by Project Hope ([link](#))

KEY FIGURES

111k refugees have been recorded ([link](#))

CVA RECOMMENDATIONS

USD120 (2200 MDL)
Montly cash grant per person
(UNHCR cash update)

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Key updates continued - Moldova - Assessments and reports

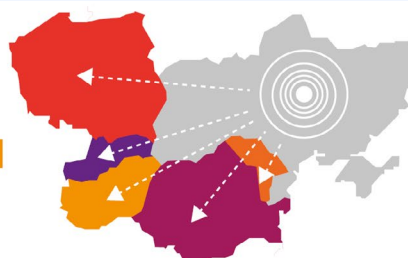
Ukraine Situation - Moldova : Gender brief: Livelihoods and access to work of refugees from Ukraine in neighboring host countries (ENG) ([link](#))

PROFILE OF REFUGEES FROM UKRAINE AT A GLANCE

1: WOMEN AND CHILDREN MAKE UP THE MAJORITY OF REFUGEES FROM UKRAINE



90% OF REFUGEES FROM UKRAINE ARE **WOMEN AND CHILDREN**.^{viii}



84%

of refugees from Ukraine in **HUNGARY** are women and children.^{ix}

83%

of refugees from Ukraine in **MOLDOVA** are women and children.^x

87%

of refugees from Ukraine in **POLAND** are women and children.^{xi}

77%

of refugees from Ukraine in **ROMANIA** are women and children.^{xii}

83%

of refugees from Ukraine in **SLOVAKIA** are women and children.^{xiii}

2: PROPORTION OF REFUGEES FROM UKRAINE IN DIFFERENT AGE GROUPS



Approximately **half** of refugees from Ukraine in neighboring EU countries are age 0-19.^{xiv}



85% of adult refugees are women.^{xv}



2.75 million refugees are of working age.^{xvi}

3: EMPLOYMENT PROFILE OF REFUGEES FROM UKRAINE PRIOR TO LEAVING UKRAINE ^{xvii}



Approximately **63%** of respondents were previously employed.



The **majority** of respondents were working **full-time**.



Approximately **1 in 5** respondents had been **self-employed** or an **entrepreneur**.^{xviii}

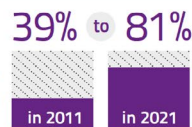
5: FINANCIAL INCLUSION AND ACCESS TO FINANCIAL SERVICES OF WOMEN PRIOR TO THE INVASION OF UKRAINE^{xxi}

In 2021, women accounted for



78% of those making or receiving digital payments.

Account ownership amongst women aged 15 and above increased from



68% of Ukrainian women owned a debit or credit card in 2021, compared to **38%** in 2011.

Prior to Russia's full-scale invasion, women in Ukraine had a high level of financial inclusion and access to financial services at par with other countries in Europe.^{xxii}

→ CP REFERRAL PATHWAYS - MOLDOVA

→ GBV REFERRAL PATHWAYS - MOLDOVA

→ SERVICES ADVISORY PLATFORM



Focus - key findings of UNHCR Regional Protection analysis#2* [\(link\)](#)

Findings from Ukrainian refugees in Moldova with 5,332 respondents- Last update 4th July 2023

19% of households contain at least one member with a specific need. These households encounter difficulties meeting their needs in host countries, leading to increased protection risks and potential influence on return decisions, even in sub-optimal conditions in Ukraine.

45% of respondents are staying in rented accommodation. 2% of respondents will need to find new accommodation in less than three months, mainly due to the termination of free accommodation programmes.

Most commonly reported current activity in the host country

| | | |
|-------------------------|-----|---------------------------------|
| Family responsibilities | 27% | <div style="width: 27%;"></div> |
| Retired | 22% | <div style="width: 22%;"></div> |
| Unemployed | 19% | <div style="width: 19%;"></div> |

95% of respondents reported at least one urgent need

87% of respondents who have urgent needs prefer to receive support as cash

Most commonly reported urgent need

| | | |
|---------------------|-----|---------------------------------|
| Material assistance | 87% | <div style="width: 87%;"></div> |
| Food | 71% | <div style="width: 71%;"></div> |
| Healthcare | 53% | <div style="width: 53%;"></div> |
| Accommodation | 13% | <div style="width: 13%;"></div> |
| Employment | 10% | <div style="width: 10%;"></div> |

Most commonly reported Information needs

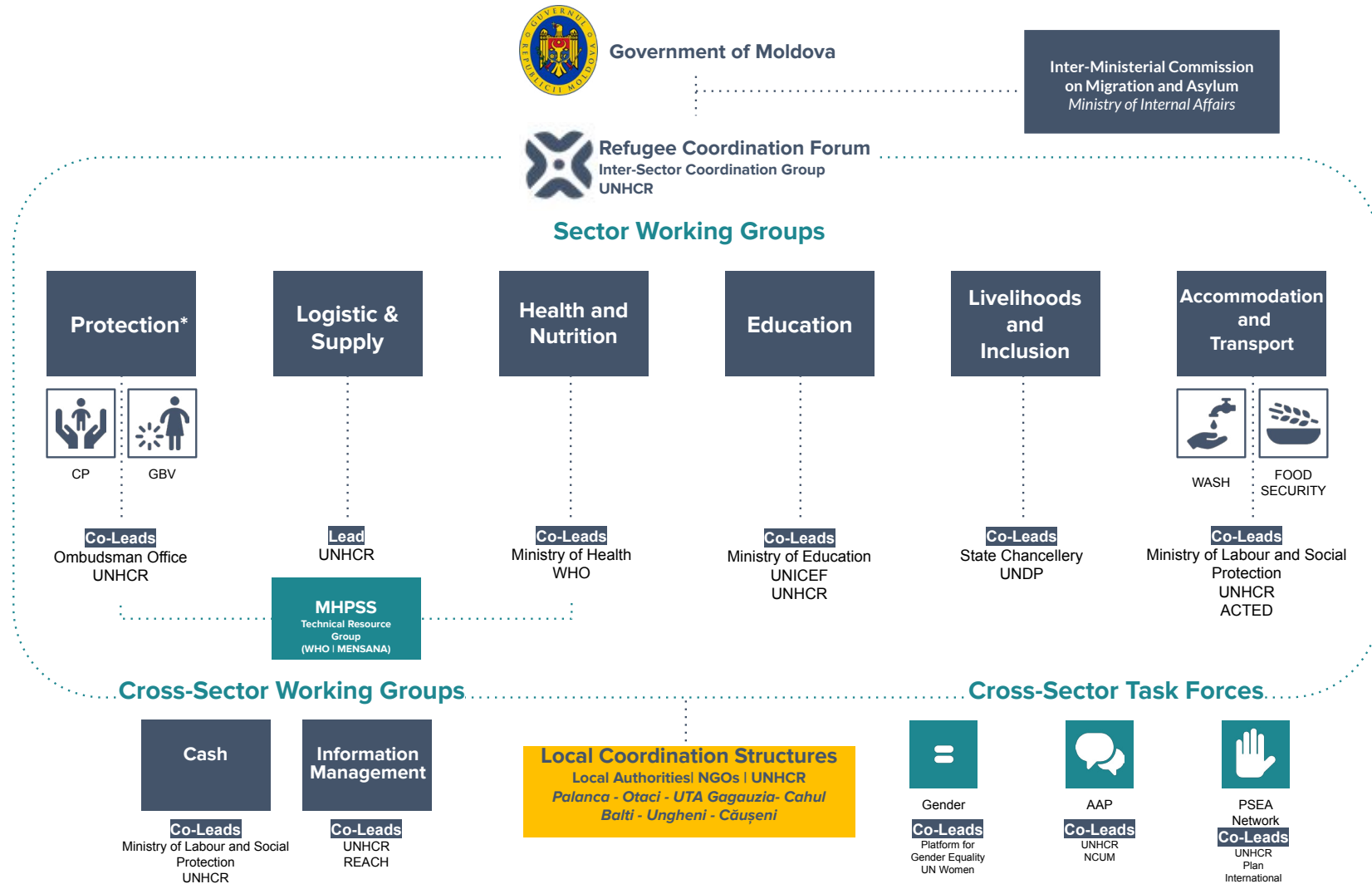
| | | |
|-------------------|-----|---------------------------------|
| Financial aid | 68% | <div style="width: 68%;"></div> |
| Healthcare | 31% | <div style="width: 31%;"></div> |
| None | 21% | <div style="width: 21%;"></div> |
| Legal status | 17% | <div style="width: 17%;"></div> |
| Job opportunities | 15% | <div style="width: 15%;"></div> |



→ MOLDOVA CASH TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP

→ MOLDOVA PSEA NETWORK

Refugee coordination architecture in Moldova (link)



GBV Sub Working Group Co-Leads: UNHCR and UNFPA | Child Protection Sub Working Group Co-Leads: UNHCR and UNICEF | WASH Sub Working Group: UNICEF | Food Security Sub Working Group: WFP
*Protection WG also includes the following thematic Task Forces: Roma, Anti-Trafficking in Person; Disability.



70% Funded (of \$19,9M)¹

Key updates relevant to CVA & Protection in Bulgaria

No updates this month

KEY FIGURES

161k refugees from Ukraine have been recorded ([link](#))

CVA RECOMMENDATIONS

No data available

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Refugee coordination architecture in Bulgaria ([link](#))

Government of Bulgaria & UNHCR



Refugee Coordination Forum
Inter-Agency Coordination
Working Group



Cash Working Group
(UNHCR)



MHPSS Technical Working Group
(WHO)



Protection Working Group
Work in Progress
(UNHCR, State Agency for Refugees)



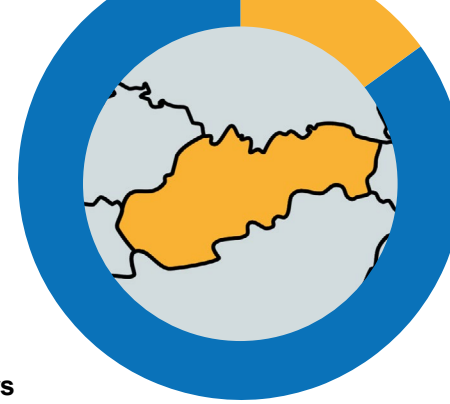
Education Working Group
(UNICEF)



PSEA Network
(UNHCR, UNICEF)

→ **BULGARIA CASH TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP**

15% Funded (of \$80,1M)¹



Key updates relevant to CVA & Protection in Slovakia

RRP - Slovakia: RRP Achievements Report - April 2023 ([link](#))

UNHCR - Slovakia: UNHCR Achievements Report - April 2023 ([link](#))

Slovakia: PSEA Mid-year achievements report 2023 ([link](#))

GBV - Slovakia: Key recommendations on GBV to the Government and RRP stakeholders ([link](#))

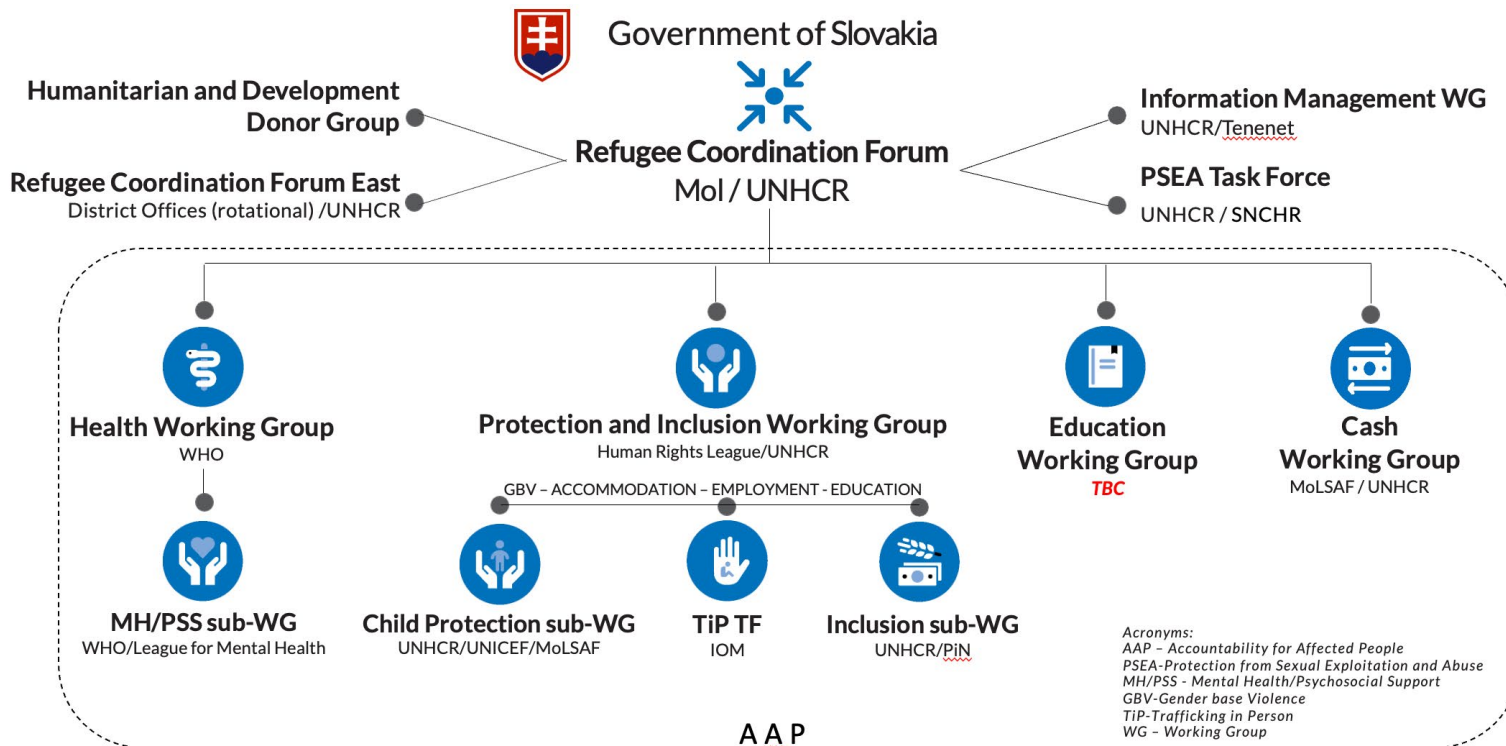
→ SLOVAKIA PSEA TASK FORCE

Refugee coordination architecture in Slovakia ([link](#))

→ SLOVAKIA CASH TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP

CVA RECOMMENDATIONS
No data available

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1. UNHCR - Slovakia : Refugee Response Plan 2023 - At a Glance ([link](#))



Focus - key findings of UNHCR Regional Protection analysis#2* (link) Findings from Ukrainian refugees in Slovakia with 4,566 respondents- Last update 4th July 2023

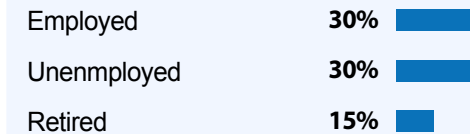
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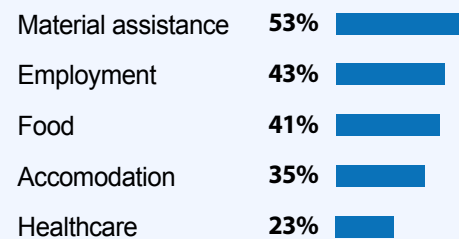
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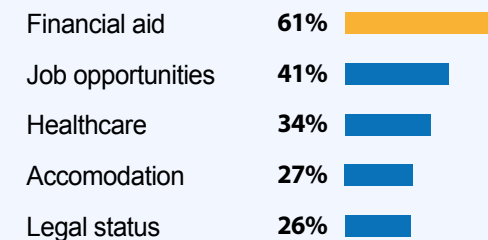
93% of respondents reported at least one urgent need

71% of respondents who have urgent needs prefer to receive support as cash

Most commonly reported urgent need



Most commonly reported Information needs





34% Funded (of \$55,4M)¹

Key updates relevant to CVA & Protection in Hungary

General updates

UNHCR Hungary - Operational Update (April - May 2023) (link)

Hungary: RCF - Recommendation Note on Inclusion of Refugees with Disabilities (June 2023) (link)

- Extended displacement increases the vulnerability of refugees with disabilities, impacting their resilience and resources to cope during the displacement and exposing them to further protection risks.
- Approximately 22% of households surveyed reported having family members with disabilities or serious medical conditions.
- Households having a member/s with a disability have lower employment rates (21%) compared to others (34%), indicating a lack of suitable job options accommodating their circumstances and caregiving duties. This limited labor market access contributes to difficulties in meeting basic needs, with a substantial proportion (94%) requiring immediate healthcare, material assistance, and food support.

CP

UNHCR - Overview of referrals for children that have been trafficked or are at risk of human trafficking in English (link) and Ukrainian (link) and **Overview of referrals for unaccompanied children** in English (link), Ukrainian (link) and Hungarian (link)

Child Protection Sub-WG Meeting Minutes - 18 May 2013(link)

Roma Community

Hungary: RCF - Recommendations on Roma Inclusion in Ukraine Refugee Response (May 2023) (link)

→ GBV REFERRAL PATHWAYS - HUNGARY

→ RRP 2023 OVERVIEW - HUNGARY

→ UNHCR SERVICE MAPPING - HUNGARY

KEY FIGURES

52k refugees from Ukraine recorded in Hungary, as of 30/04/2023 (link)

CVA RECOMMENDATIONS

No data available

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1. UNHCR Hungary Factsheet (April 2023) (link)