

With the war in Ukraine in its third year, the need for humanitarian assistance remains high across the country and more than 3.3 million people — including 800,000 children — live along the front lines.

The latest escalation occured on Monday, July 8 when a missile strike hit Ukraine's largest children's hospital in Kyiv, causing terrified patients and their families to flee for their lives.

Over the past two months, Kharkiv — Ukraine's second-largest city — has faced multiple attacks, leading to a sharp increase in casualties. Shelling and airstrikes have pummeled the city, striking schools, hospitals and residential areas.

Alongside increased air strikes, Russian ground troops have advanced into the northern Kharkiv region, and the impact on children and families has been devastating. Thousands have evacuated into the region's largest city, and thousands more are without power.

In Ukraine, Save the Children is responding to this increase in Kharkiv while also focusing our assistance across other heavily impacted areas across the rest of the country. In 2024, we aim to reach 1,042,500 people, including 660,000 children, in coordination with 24 local partners in Ukraine.

14.6M

people in need of urgent humanitarian assitance

80%

in need of aid also need mental health support

7M children affecte

children affected by violence and displacement

Numbers as of July 2024

RESPONSE SNAPSHOT

EDUCATION

We're the main organization running Digital Learning Centers across Ukraine, providing children with essential access to learning, play and in-person support. We focus on teacher's and children's well-being through the provision of play and recreational materials, teacher well-being sessions and structured mental health and psychosocial support activities.

CASH ASSISTANCE

Since February 2022, we've reached 192,000 individuals with over \$53M in cash assistance programming, ensuring families have the funds they need to purchase essential items.

FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOODS

We're supplying family farms with agricultural inputs and supporting micro-businesses with capacity building, grants and coaching.

WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE

Our teams restore water systems, supply water treatment chemicals and support water storage and accessibility in bunkers and transit centers. We also seek to build sanitary facilities in transit centers, promote safe hygiene practices and distribute hygiene items to displaced families.

MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT

We're running child-friendly spaces and training teachers on Psychological First Aid (PFA) so they can provide mental health and psychosocial support at our Digital Learning Centers, mobile teams and educational facilities.

SHELTER AND NON-FOOD ITEMS

We're distributing essential items to families who have been displaced or live near active conflict zones. We're also helping families with house repairs and providing winterization kits.

