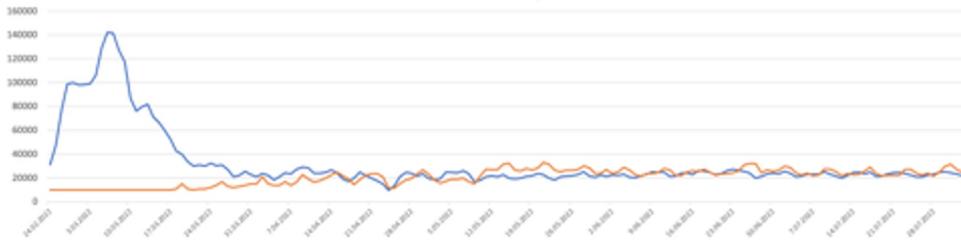


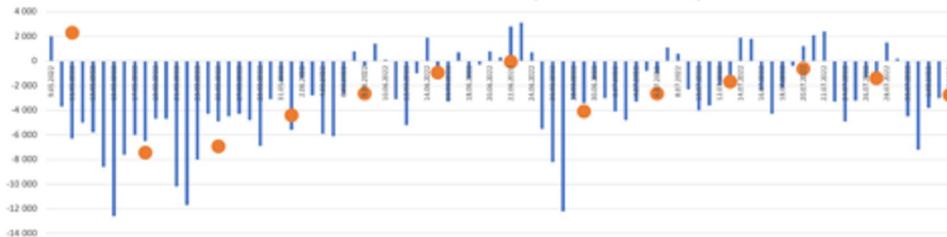
PCPM Poland and Ukraine monthly report - July 2022

Poland - Ukraine border: arrivals vs. departures since 24 Feb 2022



Arrivals in Poland (blue) and departures to Ukraine (orange) since 24 February 2022.

Poland - Ukraine border: arrivals vs. departures since 9 May 2022



Balance of arrivals and departures since 9 May 2022. Orange dots indicate weekly average. The return trend, spurred in May, slowed down in June and commenced again during summer holidays. It remains to be seen what will be the impact of the new school year.

Humanitarian situation in Poland. As of 20 July 2022, some 1.9 million Ukrainian refugees remain in Poland or have passed through Poland to other EU countries. Polish Economic Institute, Warsaw University and PCPM independently estimate the number of Ukrainian refugees in Poland at 1.3 - 1.5 million. 1.2 million Ukrainian refugees have registered in the Polish social security system PESEL, out of which some 528,000 (44%) are children. Women constitute another 44% and elderly 8%. In contrast to other refugee crises, over 50% of adult refugees have found employment and are becoming self-sufficient.

PCPM is focusing its humanitarian assistance on three most vulnerable groups, unable to benefit from the access to job market: a) women with small children, b) elderly and c) persons with disabilities. While the Polish government is providing 500 PLN per month child benefit, other types of government-funded humanitarian or social assistance are yet to be commenced.

Sector: Basic Needs

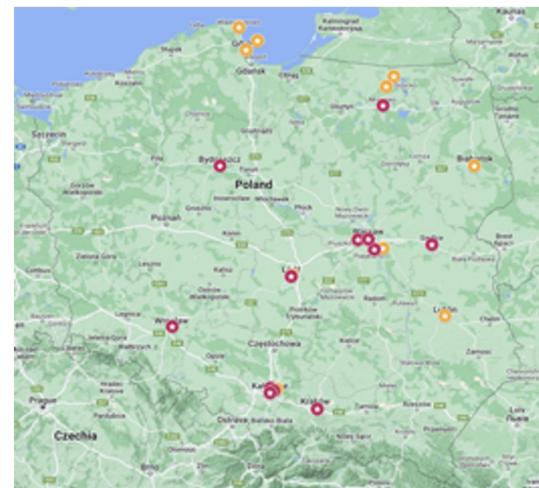
Targeted Cash Assistance Program. Since March 2022 PCPM has implemented second-largest cash assistance program for the Ukrainian refugees in Poland. Thanks to the funding from CARE USA, the IRC and HelpAge (UK), PCPM has rolled out Targeted Cash Assistance Program (TCAP). The country-wide program is focused a) on persons with disabilities and their guardians, and b) Ukrainian pensioners, over the age of 60. The cash assistance duration is 6 months. The children are not included in TCAP as they should benefit from 500 PLN child benefit paid out by the Polish government. 3,000 families have been enrolled to-date in Warsaw and other cities, with thousands more scheduled to be enrolled in the coming 2 months through PCPM's Cash Assistance center in Warsaw, as well as mobile teams.



UNHCR-PCPM Cash Assistance center in Lublin



Cash assistance at PCPM's service center in Warsaw, targeting persons with disabilities and the elderly, funded by HelpAge.



Geographical extent of PCPM's cash assistance programs in Poland since March 2022. Yellow stars denote Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance (MCAP) and red - cities included in the current Targeted Cash Assistance Program (TCAP).

UNHCR Cash Assistance in Lublin. PCPM is implementing UNHCR-funded Cash Assistance program for the Ukrainian refugees in Lubelskie Voivodeship. Also this cash assistance is focused on severely vulnerable refugees, predominantly persons with disabilities and chronic diseases. To-date some 1,400 families benefited from this assistance, with additional 1,600 to be enrolled by end of August. PCPM operates a registration in Lublin, hosted in one of the schools made available by the local authorities, as well as outreach teams visiting communal centers throughout the region, including powiats (counties) adjacent to the Ukrainian border.

Cash for Rent is PCPM's flagship program, implemented since 2012 to assist Syrian refugees in Lebanon and after 2014 also in Ukraine. Thanks to the support from Taiwan, PCPM is preparing a roll-out of a pilot cash assistance program in Lublin and Lubelskie Voivodeship to assist the local authorities decongest communal centers.

PCPM Office in Ukraine is raising alert that hundreds of thousands of civilians may need to be evacuated from destroyed villages in vicinity of the frontline, where lack of food, water, electricity and heating makes it impossible to survive the winter. In this respect PCPM aims to support creating contingency space in the existing communal centers for arriving refugees.

Transit Center at Warsaw East Railway Station, operated jointly by the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) and PCPM since March 2022 at Lubelska Street (ul. Lubelska) will operate until at least September 2022 thanks to streamlined layout. Majority of refugees now arrive by bus, including through a semi-regular bus service from Zaporizhzhia and PCPM **evacuation busses** from Kremenchuk. PCPM started the latter service on the first day of the war and continues to-date on a biweekly basis. The evacuation busses originate from PCPM transit hub in Kremenchuk that has assisted over 5,000 evacuees from war-affected areas of Eastern Ukraine to-date. Continuation of PCPM civilian evacuation program past May 2022 was made possible thanks to a generous donation from Taiwan.

Sector: Education

Funding priority in August **Employment of Ukrainian refugee teachers** is PCPM's flagship project in the Education sector. Thanks to the funding from CARE and IRC, as well as several corporate donors, including Google, since March 2022 PCPM has employed over 954 assistant teachers psychologists, interpreters and school support staff in 20 cities across the country. Ukrainian staff support hundreds of Polish public schools in, among others, Warsaw (200 teachers), Lublin (67), Szczecin (51) and Białystok (40), as well as several smaller, county-level cities, such as Supraśl, Słupsk, Krosno and Dąbrowa Górnicza. In June 2022, the program benefited over **37,000 schoolgoing Ukrainian refugee children**.

The school principals, interviewed during the recent evaluation, listed following main contributions to the school communities:

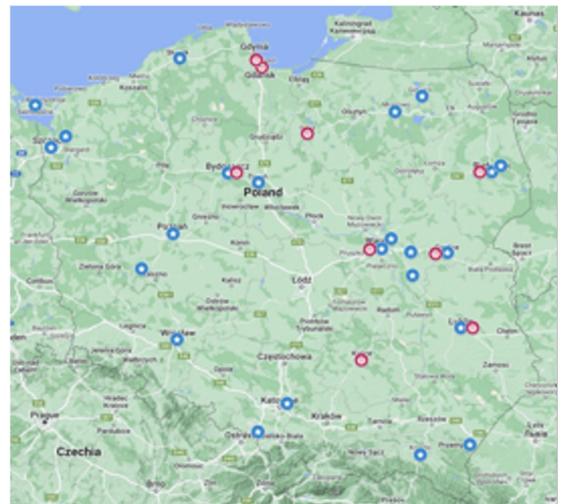
1. facilitating contacts with Ukrainian parents that was crucial for children's integration into the school community,
2. assisting the principals and teachers in communication with Ukrainian children, relieving the pressure and fear of miscommunication
3. assisting the children in adaptation and dealing with war trauma,
4. providing employment to Ukrainian refugees for whom it would otherwise be difficult to find employment at the Polish labor market (teachers),
5. facilitating integration between both Polish and Ukrainian children and parents.

Most of the interviewed school principals openly stated that they do not know how they would manage the adaptation of the Ukrainian refugee children in

The **upcoming winter season** in Ukraine and Poland will be probably the harshest since the Second World War. As an effect of the war, shutdown of Russian gas exports, post-COVID economic turbulences and high inflation rate (15%), the prices of gas and coal – the two main fuels in Polish homes – have nearly doubled. In semi-urban and rural areas purchase of three tons of coal required to heat a house during the winter season will cost (at present prices) PLN 9,000, which is three months' salary in those areas. Heating poverty – the inability to heat one's home during the winter season – will affect hundreds of thousands, if not millions, of Polish families. The winter will be even more harsh for Ukrainian refugees as some may lose their seasonal jobs, while others, unable to work, would have exhausted their coping mechanisms.



Passengers of PCPM evacuation bus from Kremenchuk arrive in the NRC-PCPM Transit Center at Warsaw East Railway Station.



Geographical extent of PCPM's flagship Ukrainian teachers' employment program (blue stars). This project is supplemented with Summer in the City for Ukrainian children, implemented in cities marked with red dots.

Statements from Ukrainian teachers and school principals, recorded during the mid-term evaluation:

- *“The school principal here is wonderful person. Teachers are very kind and supportive to me. I am in a very difficult situation – my husband was wounded in the war, and he now in hospital. Assistance and support were always offered to me. I don’t even have to ask. If there is a chance to be back to this school after summer break - I would love to. I feel like home here.”* (Ukrainian teacher, Lublin)
- *“Very relevant program. Teachers can feel needed and appreciated. They can take care of Ukrainian kids and make sure they are integrated. This program gave us a possibility to feel confident and satisfy our basic needs.”* (teacher, Siedlce)
- *“The huge advantage of the program is the possibility to work, the work has a healing effect”* (teacher, Wroclaw)
- *“Communication with children is a healing experience to teachers”* (Ukrainian teacher, Mińsk Mazowiecki)
- *“If the contract had been for half a year, it would have given us more stability. (...) With a 3-month contract I was worried what will happen next, if I will be forced to seek another job. I am in Poland until end of the Summer, will see what will happen next, if all fine we will return to Ukraine in September. We don’t know what the future will bring neither for us, nor for you (Poles)”.* (Ukrainian teacher, Warsaw).
- *„[Ukrainian] children feel more secure that there is somebody like them, their teacher, it was very important for them (...) but also it was important for us, the teachers, as the Ukrainian teachers tackled many challenges, they knew if any child feels bad, needs anything, requires some assistance”* (School principal, Warsaw).
- *“My first thought was to provide these [Ukrainian] children any assistance as when they were being enrolled, I was terrified with their psychological stance (...) these children were so terrified, lost in a new reality (...) There was a problem that the [Polish] teachers did not know what to do with them, they were unable to provide neither pedagogical nor psychological assistance due to the language barrier”* (School principal, Lublin).
- *“For sure [the Ukrainian teacher] was a reference point for the Ukrainian children, they knew they can feel safe, they knew somebody will understand them fully. They knew there is somebody who will explain them any complexities, will help them in need. (...), We the [Polish] teachers also feel safer, because if we don’t understand something, or there is something wrong happening to the child, we know that Mrs. Natalia is there”* (School principal, Lublin)

the new school system, if not for the support of Ukrainian teaching assistants employed through the CARE-PCPM program. Out of 16 schools evaluated, only one was able to employ a Ukrainian speaking teaching assistant outside of Cash for Work program.

As the new school year will start on September 1st, PCPM is seeking Donors’ and Partners’ support in allowing as many Ukrainian teachers as possible to be employed throughout the upcoming school year. The number of teachers and school support staff in need of employment increased to 1,191 as several cities requested employment of additional teachers in the public schools, while assistance is also needed for several NGO-run schools following the Ukrainian curriculum. While the overall funding gap is \$11 million, Individual cities require from \$140,000 to \$1.4 million to secure employment of Ukrainian teachers throughout the school year.

Summer in the City is an annual day care campaign organized by Polish local governments. As it was budgeted for in December 2021 and tendered in January 2022, it did not include Ukrainian refugee children. Thanks to funding from CARE, PCPM supported local governments of 10 cities, including Gdańsk, Warsaw, Lublin, Siedlce and Klelce. In total 3,000 Ukrainian children benefited from summer camps and day care activities. The program also included 5,000 free entry tickets to various sports activities in Warsaw for Ukrainian refugee children. Throughout the summer, the City of Lublin organized integration picnics in 15 sub-districts for tens of thousands of participants. One of participating institutions is PCPM’s Educational and Creativity Center (CEK), generously hosted by mBank in its former headquarters building.

Back to School Hotline. Under the auspices of the Ministry of Education and Science of Poland and thanks to UNICEF funding, PCPM will operate Back to School hotline. The call center, due to start by mid-August, will assist Ukrainian parents in finding schools and other education facilities for their children. The Back to School Hotline number is **+48 22 100 13 00**



To reciprocate generosity of a school community in Lublin that hosted hundreds of Ukrainian refugees in school’s sports hall in March and April 2022 and subsequently PCPM’s Cash Assistance distribution center, PCPM is funding rehabilitation of three classrooms and delivery of two multimedia boards.



Summer in the City day camp visiting Renaissance town of Kazimierz Dolny, Poland

Sector: Health

Starting September 2022, PCPM's Emergency Medical Team will operate a transit center for sick and wounded from Ukraine located in south-west Poland. The facility, funded by the EU and operating under the auspices of the Ministry of Health of Poland and the WHO, will facilitate referral of patients to medical facilities in numerous EU countries. PCPM co-funded **medical evacuations from Ukraine** implemented by Humanosh Foundation.

During the course of July, PCPM donated a new ambulance to Dnipro, funded through a fundraising drive and auction of postage stamps, organized together with Gazeta Wyborcza. This is a third PCPM ambulance donated to Ukraine; in May and June ambulance were dispatched to support hospitals in Slovyansk and Zhytomir.



New ambulance donated by PCPM to a surgical hospital in Dnipro.

PCPM Ukraine update

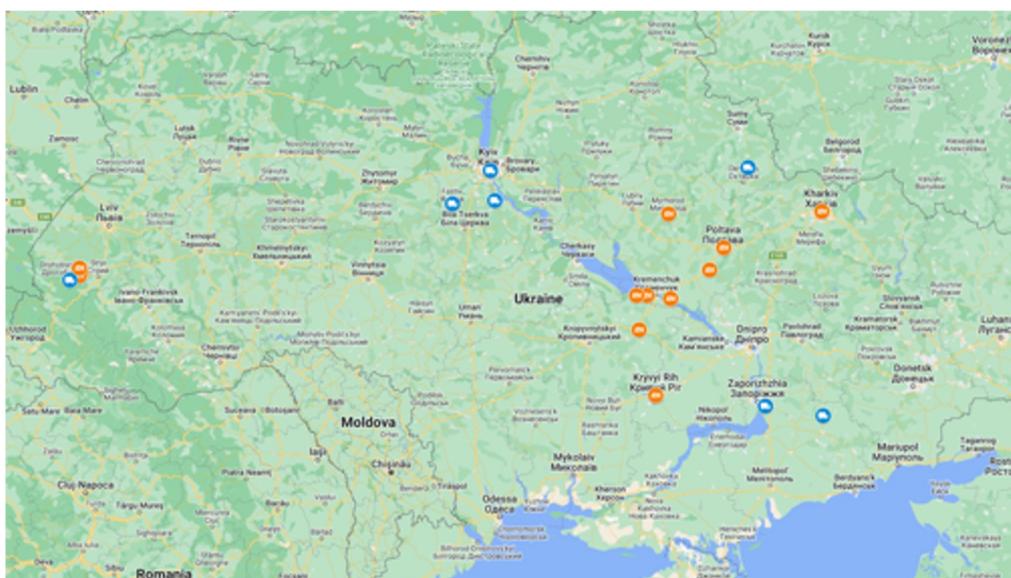
Evacuation of civilians. Since 24 February, PCPM Ukraine assisted over 3,000 civilians in evacuation from Kharkov. PCPM's IDP transit center near Kremenchuk, on the western bank of Dnieper River, is increasing its daily capacity of 150 persons in order to cater for the new wave of IDPs from Donbas.

PCPM continues to facilitate bus transportation for most vulnerable civilians who have no host families in Western Ukraine. There is a visible trend of an increased number of elderly and disabled on the evacuation busses, with adequate accommodation becoming a challenge. Many elderly and persons suffering from chronic diseases are affected by shortage of medicines while in Ukraine, which exacerbates risk for numerous evacuees, particularly diabetics.

Cash assistance. Thanks to the funding from CARE USA, PCPM completed distribution of cash assistance to IDPs from war-affected communities. The project reached over 6,000 persons from three war-affected districts, currently living in displacement in Kremenchuk, Poltava, Kryvyi Rih and other cities of eastern Ukraine, as well as in selected IDP locations south of Lviv. The beneficiaries were selected from a pool of over 45,000 applicants, based on stringent vulnerability criteria. Large families were also supported. Over 2,000 families benefited also from Cash for Rent top-up, implemented in line with the UN-led Cash Working Group guidelines. The Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance will last for 6 months, until end of December 2022.

Delivery of humanitarian aid. During the course of July, PCPM delivered food parcels for IDPs in three IDP locations in the mountains south of Lviv, including Stebnyk and Skhidnytsya, as well as Kyiv and neighboring city of Fastiv. Additional deliveries of food and NFI assistance were directed to war-affected communities in the Zaporizhzhya region.

Medical supplies were delivered to hospitals in Uman, Svitlovodsk and war-affected communities in the Zaporizhzhya region. PCPM EMT supported an EMT working in the hospital of Trostyanets (Sumy region) with a delivery of an Inter-Agency Health Kit (IAHK).



Geographical extent of PCPM's humanitarian aid programs in Ukraine. Yellow ATM signs indicate cash assistance locations from Kharkiv to Kryvyi Rih and IDP communities in the Carpathians. Blue signs indicate delivery of food parcels in the vicinity of Lviv and Kyiv, Inter-Agency Health Kit to Sumy Region and NFIs in the vicinity of Zaporizhzhya.



Food parcel distribution for IDPs in Western Ukraine



PCPM donated brand new refrigeration trailer to the regional authorities in Dnipro to assist the morgues and ensure proper and dignified burial of the deceased civilians.

Update from other PCPM programs

KENYA: Mombasa Highway no longer that dangerous. On 22 July, the Polish Ambassador to Kenya inaugurated a new Fire Brigade Station, located in a middle of 250-km section of Nairobi - Mombasa highway that was deprived of any fire brigade or Road Traffic Accident response capacity. The Fire Station at Makindu (Makueni County) will be equipped with a fire engine and a Road Traffic Accident response vehicle. Construction of the fire station and purchase of the ambulance were funded by Polish Aid.

Thanks to steady funding from the Polish Government, PCPM classified and is implementing the first Fire Brigade vocational training curriculum in Kenya. New groups of 27 recruits from Kiambu County Fire Brigade completed gruelling nine week induction training at PCPM's Fire & Rescue Training Center, the only accredited fire college in Kenya, located in the northern outskirts of Nairobi.

LEBANON: Solar lighting amidst economic crisis. Lebanon is mired in a major energy crisis, where access to electricity is for 4 hours a day. In cooperation with the Polish contingent of the UNIFIL peacekeeping force and thanks to Polish Aid funding, PCPM is installing solar street lights to improve road safety in accident-prone areas in southern Lebanon. In the province of Akkar in northern Lebanon, PCPM is constructing a 5km sewage network to reduce the discharge of untreated wastewater into rivers and groundwater pollution. To offset frequent blackouts, PCPM is installing solar panels to provide reliable power to a sewage treatment plant in Qubayat (Akkar province). Thanks to cooperation with UN-Habitat, several fire stations in Beirut will benefit from solar power to ameliorate living and working conditions.

LEBANON: Humanitarian assistance. In addition to several development aid programs, PCPM continues its flagship Cash for Rent program, currently targeting both 1,430 Syrian refugee and vulnerable host community families in the vicinity of Beirut and Tripoli, as well as Akkar province. Food assistance funded by OCHA was completed in June and we are looking forward to commence new partnership with WFP from August onwards. July marked 10 year anniversary of PCPM's humanitarian aid in Lebanon.

IRAQ: New marketplace in Telkaif. As part of the support for local authorities hosting IDPs and refugees in northern Iraq funded by the EU MADAD Trust Fund, PCPM completed construction of a new market hall in the city of Telkaif, north of Mosul. In addition to new employment, rental of shops and offices will generate a steady income for the local government. EU MADAD program is implemented by PCPM in Sheikhan and Telkaif in northern Iraq, as well as in Lebanon Akkar province.

PALESTINE: Ambulance training. PCPM continues a 3 years development project in Palestine focused on improving healthcare services in the West Bank, funded by Polish Aid and implemented in cooperation with the Palestinian Ministry of Health. PCPM trained 24 medical instructors capable of conducting training in management of trauma patients and ultrasound diagnosis, recruited from national hospitals as well as from private sector and NGOs. PCPM is supporting the Palestinian Medical Relief Society, an NGO delivering medical services to marginalised communities in remote areas, with provision of medicine, medical equipment and renovation of village clinics.

PCPM donors and partners

Governmental donors and international organizations	Poland: UNHCR, UNICEF, Government of Taiwan, Regional government of Flanders Middle East and Africa: Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Polish Aid), ECHO, EU MADAD Trust Fund, UN-Habitat, NIW, OCHA, WFP
International NGOs	CARE USA, HelpAge, IRC, NRC
Corporate donors	Google, mBank, Allegro, Goldman Sachs, IMCD, Danone, InterCars, BNP Paribas and others



New fire station constructed by PCPM covers a vital section of the Nairobi - Mombasa road.



Batch of freshmen firefighters celebrate graduation from a basic training at the PCPM fire college.



Solar power plant on the roof of a school building in Burj Hammoud district, Beirut.



Office space in the marketplace building in Telkaif. This is the highest building in the town (3 floors) and the only featuring an elevator.