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The Polish Center for International Aid (PCPM) is one of Poland's largest and most experienced NGOs specializing in foreign aid. For nearly 20 years, we have been delivering humanitarian and development assistance across Africa, the Middle East, Ukraine, and Poland—always under the Polish flag.

When full-scale war erupted in Ukraine, we faced immense challenges, responding to the largest humanitarian crisis in Europe since World War II. The experience we gained allows us to act swiftly and effectively, even in the most difficult conditions.

In times of global crises, organizations like PCPM are vital allies to state institutions—if they remain ready, adaptable, and strong. Unfortunately, the greatest challenge, both for us and the global aid sector, is funding. A severe decline could weaken even the most capable organizations, limiting their ability to respond to future crises.

We are ready. We have the people, the tools, and the expertise. With the right support, PCPM can be not only an important tool in Poland's soft power arsenal but also a strategic pillar of Poland's foreign policy—if cooperation funding grows rather than shrinks.

Wojtek Wilk PhD
CEO of the Polish Center
for International Aid



There are moments that test us like never before. Times when cooperation is essential, when finding common ground is crucial, and when we must seek wisdom to avoid the traps of authoritarianism. The past few years have challenged us all—pandemic, war, a growing sense of insecurity, and an overwhelming flood of information.

At PCPM, where I have the honor to serve, we, too, faced tough decisions. How can we apply our global experience to provide

effective aid in Poland? How do we reorganize our team to support Europe while staying committed to places we've served for years—South Sudan, Lebanon, Kenya? The past months have been an intense effort to build resilience against crises that once seemed distant but are now at our doorstep. We don't know what the future holds, but we know we must be ready for anything. That's why I am deeply grateful to everyone who stands with us. Your support gives us the strength to act. Thank you.

Zofia Kwolek

Head of External Relations,
Member of the Board
the Polish Center
for International Aid
Foundation

Kenya

Objective

Improving the safety of Kenyan residents by strengthening the operational capacity of national rescue services in search and rescue operations during structural collapses. The project focuses on enhancing disaster response in Nairobi and raising readiness levels nationwide.

Achievements

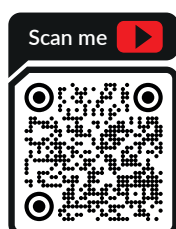
Initiation of the first Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) team in East Africa. Establishment of a Specialized Search and Rescue Team for Structural Collapses in Nairobi. Delivery of specialized training on disaster rescue operations. Development of training infrastructure. Procurement of specialized rescue equipment. Organization of coordination exercises involving various rescue services.

Funding

The project is co-financed by the state budget within the framework of Polish development cooperation by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland, with funding from the Polish Aid program amounting to PLN 1,598,833.



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Rope evacuation
training of the USAR
team in Kiambu





Polish aid



Practical exam during the professional certification of Kenyan firefighters



By 2050, Nairobi's population is projected to double, reaching 10.4 million. Rapid population growth, chaotic urban planning, and illegal construction significantly increase the risk of structural collapses. Between 2017 and 2023, Nairobi recorded 29 building collapses. Therefore, PCPM's support aims to strengthen response capabilities for such incidents by building the capacity of rescue services and improving their readiness to address challenges posed by unplanned urbanization and illegal structures. The project is being implemented from 2024 to 2026.

Project Impact: As part of efforts to enhance the capabilities of Kenyan rescue services in responding to structural collapses, PCPM, with funding from Polish Aid and collaboration with local partners, established a civilian Search and Rescue Team for Structural Collapses for the Nairobi Metropolitan Area. This is the first such team in East Africa and the only one between North Africa and South Africa.

Module 1 Activities: PCPM, in collaboration with partners such as Nairobi and Kiambu counties and the Chief Fire Officers Association (CFOA-K), conducted search and rescue training sessions, the first phase of professional qualification assessments, and development work on technical frameworks for the Search and Rescue Team's operations. Additionally, an opening conference brought together key decision-makers, including a representative from the UN Office for the

Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), raising awareness about the project both locally and internationally.

Specialized Training: The Search and Rescue Team was divided into two subgroups: ALFA (20 members) and BRAVO (20 members). Training covered hazardous materials (HAZMAT), rope and medical rescue techniques, basic rescue skills, stabilization of compromised structures, and excavation operations. Four series of two-week training sessions were conducted using procured specialized equipment at an advanced training ground tailored for search and rescue operations—the only facility of its kind in East Africa. The training was delivered by 10 Polish trainers with international experience in search and rescue missions, supported by Kenyan trainers.

Immediate Application: The skills acquired during training were promptly applied by Group ALFA during a rescue operation following a structural collapse in Kahawa West, Nairobi, on October 20, 2024. The operation received extensive media coverage.

Future Accreditation: With potential national accreditation for Kenya's Search and Rescue Team in mind, PCPM simultaneously initiated the first phase of professional qualification assessments for team members. Standardizing and certifying team skills is a crucial step toward both national and international accreditation.



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Training on the use
of thermal imaging
cameras during a fire

Ethiopia

Objective

Strengthen rescue services in Addis Ababa by equipping and enhancing the qualifications of firefighters and medical personnel.

Achievements

Equipped each fire station in Addis Ababa with specialized equipment, including tools for nighttime and smoke-filled environments, equipped 22 ambulances with rescue backpacks and stretchers, trained 106 people in pre-hospital medical care, and 18 fire instructors.

Funding

The project is co-financed from the state budget as part of Polish development cooperation by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland, with funds from the Polish Aid program amounting to PLN 1,599,679.

W We will provide Ethiopians with unique Polish solutions and know-how, similar to what is happening in Kenya, as well as in Tanzania, where we are also present. We are becoming Poland's showcase in East Africa.

Wojtek Wilk PhD, CEO of the Polish Center for International Aid Foundation

Road accident simulation during fire brigade and emergency services drills

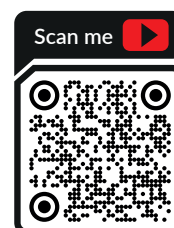




Firefighters in Ethiopia train to use hydraulic rescue tools during road accidents

Ethiopia's rapidly growing population, coupled with the intensive urban development, presents entirely new challenges for the country's rescue services. Therefore, the PCPM Foundation is enhancing the competencies of the fire brigade in Addis Ababa, the capital and largest city in Ethiopia. Each fire station in the capital received equipment tailored to current needs, including tools for nighttime and smoke-filled environments, as well as tunnel operations, and sludge pumps to handle floods. Additionally, ambulances were equipped with rescue backpacks, stretchers, and emergency childbirth kits.

Furthermore, 106 people were trained in pre-hospital medical care, and 18 fire instructors were trained. The safety of rescuers is a priority; thus, firefighters were provided with fire-resistant personal protective equipment. In total, over 170 different tools and equipment were delivered for rescue operations.



BLS (Basic Life Support) training for ambulance drivers



Tanzania

Objective

Professionalize Tanzanian healthcare by developing the professional skills of medical personnel.

Achievements

Trained 1,394 medical personnel in emergency medicine and 45 in first aid, opened the Tanzanian-Polish Emergency Medicine Training Center, trained 24 medical rescue trainers, purchased medical equipment, including a childbirth simulator and AED defibrillators.

Funding

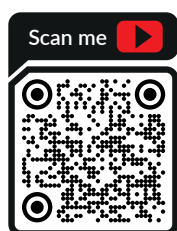
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Previously, it often happened that we couldn't help a patient, we didn't know how to properly examine them, diagnose them. I've been working in this hospital for 7 years and I'm aware of the problems and shortages we face here. The problem is even the most basic things, because we lack equipment and supplies. Fortunately, thanks to help from Poland, the situation has improved significantly.

Rose Mtangi - director of Chanika Hospital in the suburbs of Dar es Salaam

Waiting room in a hospital in Dar es Salaam where PCPM trains medical staff





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Tanzanian doctors are
examining an infant, with
the expert support of a
PCPM doctor



The PCPM Foundation has been professionalizing healthcare in Tanzania since 2022 by conducting medical staff training, equipping medical facilities, and building the Tanzanian-Polish Emergency Medicine Training Center in Dar es Salaam, the largest city in the country. This center is the most modern in the country, equipped with professional training equipment.

In 2024, 1,394 people were trained in emergency medicine and 45 in first aid, as well as 24 medical rescue trainers. Modern medical equipment was purchased, including a childbirth simulator, AED defibrillators, and ultrasound equipment, which was delivered to medical facilities.

To ensure the project's sustainability, trainers were trained to train other medics. The official opening of the Tanzanian-Polish Emergency Medicine Training Center is another step towards enhancing the qualifications of Tanzanian medics. Polish experts also supported them through "on-the-job" training, sharing knowledge and experience.

The assistance has improved the quality and effectiveness of medical services in Tanzania.



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Training in Basic Life
Support (BLS) and road
accidents



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A woman from South Sudan is holding therapeutic food for a malnourished child

Photo: Bartosz Czukiewski

South Sudan

Objective

Combat hunger and improve healthcare for children and adults.

Achievements

Nutrition Program: Enrolled children under five years of age with malnutrition, pregnant women, and breastfeeding women in the nutrition program.

At the Supplementary Feeding Center in Gordhim and mobile clinics near the border with Sudan in refugee camps in Buothyar, Warwar, and Maperdut, 13,023 children were screened for malnutrition, and 5,233 received necessary assistance, such as special high-energy food.

Healthcare

At the Supplementary Feeding Center, 6,693 consultations were conducted for children under five, 9,353 consultations for patients over five, 889 children were vaccinated, 1,326 mothers received prenatal services, and 184 deliveries were assisted.

Education

2,450 people were trained in health education and proper nutrition.

Mobile Clinics

42,600 people received health education, 4,621 medical consultations were conducted for children under five, 7,452 consultations for patients over five, 1,421 people were tested for tuberculosis (42 cases were identified), and 1,379 people were tested for HIV (5 patients were identified).

Supplements and Medication

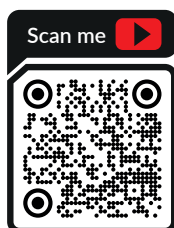
Iron was distributed to pregnant women, and vitamin A and deworming medication were given to children.

Mothers' Support Groups

Provided guidance on infant and young child feeding and assisted in establishing home vegetable gardens.



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Distribution of
therapeutic paste at the
Supplementary Feeding
Center in Gordhim



Staff Training

Personnel were trained in responding to cases of acute malnutrition, monitoring child growth, and admitting patients with malnutrition.

Funding

PLN 635,367.60 – individual donations from Polish citizens and corporate donations.

The Polish Center for International Aid (PCPM) Foundation is helping in the north of South Sudan, right at the border with Sudan. The conflict in neighboring Sudan, alternating droughts and floods in the region, are plunging South Sudan into a catastrophic humanitarian

crisis. The situation is most dire for children under the age of five; many of them are at real risk of starvation. In 2024, during the dry season, there was a rapid increase in the number of malnourished children arriving at the Supplementary Feeding Center in Gordhim. On-site assistance includes nutritional support in stationary and mobile facilities, health education, and education on proper nutrition. PCPM also supports medical facilities and trains personnel. Despite many challenges, such as water shortages, influxes of refugees, lack of medication, and floods, the assistance has contributed to improving the nutritional and health situation in the region.



A mother is giving
therapeutic food
to her child

Lebanon

Objective

Stabilizing local communities through humanitarian aid and building their resilience by supporting local governments and institutions in infrastructure and public service delivery.

Achievements

PCPM provided comprehensive support in food security, shelter repairs, and increasing social awareness of the threats faced by the most vulnerable groups in the intervention area.

The PCPM also strengthened local governments and institutions by enhancing their capacity to provide public services and develop infrastructure, contributing to the region's socio-economic growth.

Comprehensive Support for Vulnerable Households with elderly, PwSN in Wadi Khaled, Sahel and Jord El Qaitaa (Lebanese Humanitarian Fund):

Food assistance and customized hygiene kits for 428 households (2,548 people).

Cash for Rent

43 persons had secured tenure through financial support to cover the rent.

Minor repairs

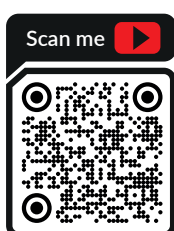
14 shelters in Sahel Akkar and Wadi Khaled were adapted to the needs of older persons and persons with disabilities.

Awareness sessions and dissemination of cross-cutting messages on socially important topics such as cholera prevention, hygiene and sanitation, caregiving best practices, communication techniques for supporting older people and persons with disabilities, the rights of people with disabilities, promoting mental health and well-being for the elderly and persons with specific needs, protection from violence, and the prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse.

Food for assets and sustainable development (Polish Aid and World Food Program - WFP):

PCPM also carried out the cleaning and widening of 3,100 meters of the Al Ostuan riverbed in Knaiseh and Tal Bibe, in cooperation with local authorities and the Lebanese Red Cross, under the Polish Aid funded project. This intervention minimized flood risks ahead of the winter season and helped protect the livelihoods of 1,170 landowners, farmers, and their families. The works significantly reduced flood risks for homes and residents in neighboring villages.

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Meal preparation in the Akkar province for internally displaced persons from southern Lebanon





Polish aid



Additionally, in the Jord El Qaitaa region, PCPM **constructed three irrigation canals** with a total length of 1,646 meters as part of the Polish Aid project. The canals improved water availability, boosted agricultural productivity, and directly benefited 95 farms, supporting approximately 475 people.

In Sed El Bauchrieh, PCPM **modernized the Lebanese Civil Defense** station by installing a photovoltaic system and carrying out essential repairs. These improvements enhanced the working conditions of volunteers and strengthened their capacity to respond effectively to crisis situations.

Furthermore, in Qatlabe (Kobayat), PCPM rebuilt a culvert and **repaired the first section of the road**, securing it against landslides and significantly increasing the safety of local residents.



Courtyard of the center for internally displaced persons in Akkar province, Lebanon

Thanks to the influx of water, agricultural production will soar. Where we once operated at just 30% capacity, we can now reach up to 90%.

Khaled Ali Khalaf, a farmer from Akkar



Dredging of the Al-Ostuan River, which seasonally flooded crops





Activities aimed at building strong and safe local communities in Lebanon focused on developing sustainable public services and dedicated water infrastructure, significantly improving public health and reducing the risk of waterborne diseases. By supporting municipalities in constructing irrigation canals and monitoring water quality, PCPM helped farmers improve irrigation practices, boosting food security and contributing to economic growth. Enhancing working conditions in Civil Defense centers and strengthening municipal capacities in crisis management and public service delivery further reinforced the resilience of local communities in the face of a deepening crisis.

Funding

PCPM's activities in Lebanon were made possible thanks to financial support from various sources. The total budget of the projects amounted to **9,351,283 PLN**, including:

Project co-financed from the Polish development cooperation of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland from the Polish Aid program – **2,387,054 PLN**; OCHA Lebanon Humanitarian Fund – **3,575,935 PLN** (project budget until 2025); World Food Programme (WFP) – **3,389,294 PLN** (project budget until 2025).

The past year in Lebanon was exceptionally challenging – alongside the ongoing econo-

mic and social crisis, the country also faced the consequences of conflict in its southern regions. As the only Polish non-governmental organization registered in Lebanon, PCPM has continued to support both Lebanese citizens and Syrian refugees, primarily in the north of the country. Humanitarian assistance helped families to sustain themselves despite ongoing hardships: Cash for Rent prevented evictions, while shelter repairs provided safe and dignified living conditions. PCPM's support goes beyond material aid. It also focuses on awareness and strengthening community resilience. Hundreds of families received various training on solid waste management, disaster preparedness, and online safety – knowledge that is critical for navigating times of uncertainty and crisis, and that can have a lasting impact on the future of Lebanon's communities.

Thanks to river cleaning activity and the construction of irrigation canals, farmers in Akkar were able to return to cultivation. For many, this not only improved their quality of life but also restored hope for a better future.

PCPM remains committed to its mission in the region, combining immediate humanitarian assistance with long-term development efforts. In 2024, with the continued support of donors and partners, we also extended support to families displaced by the conflict in southern Lebanon.





← First aid training for volunteer groups in Palestine

Palestine

Objective

Improving access to medical services in the West Bank, especially in hard-to-reach areas, through support for mobile clinics and the creation of a telemedicine system.

Achievements

Equipping clinics with computer equipment and software, developing standard telemedicine procedures, renovating 6 mobile clinic stations. Purchase of ultrasound equipment for the hospital in Tulkarem.

Medical consultations

10,314 people benefited from consultations in mobile clinics, 3,750 prenatal examinations, 9,167 residents covered by screening tests

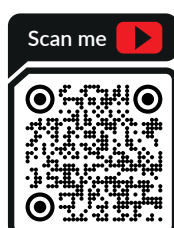
Volunteer groups

- 12 new volunteer groups and training for 44 groups.
- Food support for 626 pregnant women and 198 children.

Funding

Project co-financed from the state budget under Polish development cooperation of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland from the funds of the Polish Aid program of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland in the amount of 2,244,378 PLN.

A doctor from the mobile clinic is treating patients in Palestine



Due to movement restrictions, mobile clinics cannot always reach all locations according to schedule. This shows that in Palestine such a solution is not sufficient. An alternative that can partially fill this gap is telemedicine. In response to these needs, we are launching a telemedicine clinic operating 7 days a week for 12 hours a day. We are helping Palestine thanks to the Polish Aid program of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland.

Jakub Majcher from the PCPM Foundation

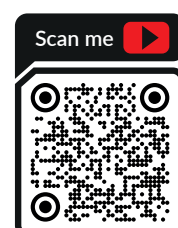


The PCPM Foundation has been supporting the residents of the West Bank since 2010. In 2024, PCPM, in cooperation with local partners, continued to help increase the availability and quality of healthcare. Clinics were equipped with computer equipment and software for the digitization of medical services, and standard telemedicine procedures were developed. This is a huge step towards improving diagnostics and treatment, as well as increasing the number of patients who can receive help.

For the residents of the West Bank, living in the shadow of conflict and uncertainty. Thanks to their commitment, thousands of people can count on better access to medical care, support, and hope for the future. Ultimately, healthcare projects aim to lead to self-sufficiency in the region.



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A doctor at the mobile clinic co-financed by PCPM





Distribution of humanitarian aid in Truskavets, funded by the Taiwanese community

Ukraine

Objective

Multidimensional humanitarian aid, improving the quality of medical services and firefighting response capabilities, support in rebuilding Ukraine in response to the consequences of the war escalation in February 2022.

Reconstruction

Repairs of houses (roofs, windows, doors) in Kharkiv and Mykolaiv regions, providing safe living conditions for 429 beneficiaries. Reconstruction of multi-family buildings, roof repairs in collective accommodation centers for internally displaced persons.

Healthcare

Repairs of 11 medical infrastructure facilities in Kherson and Kharkiv regions and in Kherson. Provision of medical equipment (blood and urine analyzers) for rural ambulatories, increasing the availability of medical services for 40,000 residents. 3,034 tests were conducted in rural ambulatories. Purchase of orthopedic equipment (portable toilets, wheelchairs, crutches) for people with disabilities and provision of rehabilitation in a hospital (7,430 rehabilitation treatments for 177 patients) in Kherson.



Education and youth support

Preparation of shelters in three schools in Truskavets, enabling stationary education for 2,500 students. Creation of a modern youth center for students in this city, improving their digital competencies and enabling over 3,000 students to use the equipment. Equipping three shelters in the Kharkiv region with furniture, computers, printers, projectors, and other necessary equipment, benefiting 1,236 students.

Employment and professional activation

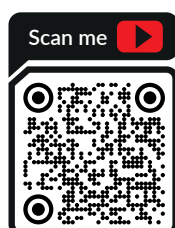
Launch of a career center in Poltava, offering training and consultations for women, which benefited over 880 women, including more than half who are internally displaced persons (IDPs). Organization of vocational courses and awarding mini-grants to 63 women, supporting their professional development and entrepreneurship.

Strengthening the response capacity of the fire brigade

Training firefighters from the Vinnytsia region.

W Currently, one of our activities is rebuilding the healthcare system, mainly in rural communities. Renovating and equipping ambulatories doesn't involve great costs. We're not building new ones, just restoring the functionality of existing ones. These are simple renovation works and basic equipment such as medical analyzers, and these activities have two levels. On one hand, we improve conditions and access to medical care for Ukrainian residents of smaller towns and rural areas; on the other hand, we strengthen local governments.

Wojtek Wilk PhD, CEO of the Polish Center for International Aid Foundation



The PCPM Foundation provides seeds for self-cultivation to the most vulnerable residents of Ukraine

Support for local governments and reconstruction of public services

Reconstruction of the CCTV monitoring system in Trostianets, installation of 41 new cameras and connection of 80 existing ones, increasing safety in the city. The city was provided with 5 city buses, 2 garbage trucks, 1 sanitary vehicle, 1 pipe cleaning vehicle, and 1 excavator, restoring bus lines and improving municipal services. Provision of equipment (minivans, laptops, electric bicycles) for municipal social and humanitarian aid services in Kherson. Aid reached 7,300 adults and 5,250 children.



Humanitarian aid

Specialized hygiene items and food packages for chronically ill and disabled people, supporting 767 people with limited mobility. Delivery of food aid, as well as hygiene items and diapers to the Mykolaiv and Kharkiv regions. The aid covered 5,242 households and 6,524 individual beneficiaries. Delivery of food aid and hygiene items in Lviv, Ivano-Frankivsk, Volyn, and Rivne regions. In total, 12,852 people (4,384 families) were supported. As part of the Biedronka Foundation's "Package for Family" program, a total of 27,838 packages with hygiene products and 43,299 packages with diapers were distributed. Aid was distributed in four regions of Ukraine: Kharkiv, Odessa, Kherson, and Mykolaiv. Distribution of seeds and agricultural tools for 2,200 families in the Kharkiv region, enabling them to grow their own agricultural products.

Funding

Project co-financed from the state budget under Polish development cooperation of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland from the funds of the Polish Aid program of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland: 2,086,898 PLN; Taiwan community: 11,266,341 PLN; Biedronka Foundation: 5,018,753.94 PLN; 1,5 percent Polish tax: 448,311 PLN; Donations: 6,481,871 PLN; SOROS Alliance for Open Society International: 66,958 PLN; Cash for Work and Cash Assistance, Care USA: 485,848,70 PLN.



The PCPM Foundation has been supporting Ukraine since 2014. In 2024, it continued humanitarian aid, delivering packages with food and hygiene items often to towns near the front line, where older people, the sick, and people with disabilities remained. Repairs of houses and multi-family buildings destroyed in attacks continued. Repairs of ambulatories in various regions of Ukraine began to provide residents with access to basic healthcare.



Installation of new windows in buildings damaged by Russian bombing

Poland

W Thanks to PCPM, I was able to get back on my feet. Even though I was working constantly, I couldn't afford to move out of the dormitory with Sofia. Now our comfort has improved significantly, and life is better.

Zoya, a beneficiary of the "Together to Independence" program

Support for Refugees from Ukraine

Objective

In response to the humanitarian crisis triggered by the war in Ukraine, the PCPM Foundation is providing crucial support to refugees in Poland. The core mission is to facilitate their integration into a new environment and empower them to achieve self-reliance. Projects encompass meeting basic needs, assisting with relocation from collective accommodation centers, fostering social integration, subsidizing apartment rentals, aiding in job searches, facilitating diploma recognition, and enabling the acquisition of professional qualifications.

Registration for vocational and language courses for female refugees from Ukraine



Achievements

Financial Support: Thanks to the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), the PCPM Foundation provided individual financial assistance to 185 people, mitigating risks and supporting their journey towards independence. This ensured the means to meet basic needs for 1,229 refugees.

Assistance in Securing Stable Housing

The "Together to Independence" program offers refugees from Ukraine living in collective accommodation centers rental subsidies for apartments or rooms. The deposit and part of the rent are covered for six months, with the subsidy gradually decreasing. Program participants can also receive vouchers for purchasing equipment and reimbursement for moving costs.

Integration, Adaptation, and Employment Support

The PCPM Foundation conducted a labor market analysis, allowing for tailoring vocational training offers to market needs (NRC). Additionally, within the "Together to Independence" program, participants have access to individualized career counseling, which includes help in preparing CVs, job searching, and funding for language courses and soft skills development.



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A mother and daughter
from Ukraine in an
apartment that PCPM
helped rent



The PCPM Foundation organizes informational meetings on legalizing stay, work, and tax settlements to help refugees understand life in Poland.

Thanks to support from CARE Poland and the Mosakowski Family Foundation, teachers from Ukraine receive support in diploma recognition, Polish language courses, and postgraduate studies, enabling them to work in the Polish education system. 467 people enrolled in the program, with 357 finding work in education. The Foundation funded postgraduate studies for 158 participants, assisted in 292 diploma recognition processes, and 91 recognition processes by NAWA. 350 people participated in language courses, and 135 participated in vocational training.

For children from Ukraine aged 6 to 18, the PCPM Education Center was established in Warsaw, operating as a preparatory branch since 2024, offering a long-term Polish and Ukrainian education program. The Center provides high-quality education, integrates students with the local education system, and helps them quickly adapt to the new environment.

Funding

The activities of the PCPM Foundation in Poland are funded from various sources, including.

The "Together to Independence" program is funded by the European Union under the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund and the state budget.

CARE Poland and Mosakowski Family Foundation: 3,422,755 PLN; NRC – Norwegian Refugee Council: 3,966,115 PLN; FAMI WDN: 4,599,790 PLN; JICA: 71,611 PLN.

The PCPM Foundation supports refugees from Ukraine throughout Poland. Through an individualized approach and adapting programs to evolving needs, the PCPM Foundation effectively supports refugees in the process of integration and empowerment. Collaboration with local partners and authorities enables reaching those in need and providing comprehensive support. The PCPM Foundation not only responds to immediate needs but also invests in the future of refugees, offering opportunities to acquire new skills and professional qualifications. This, in turn, increases their chances of finding stable employment and starting a new life in Poland.



MEDEVAC HUB Jasionka

Objective

Systemic support for patients from Ukraine.

Achievements

Enabling medical evacuation of sick and injured individuals from Ukraine to hospitals across Europe, providing essential medical and psychological support.

Funding

European Union Civil Protection Mechanism – PLN 10,366,124 PLN.

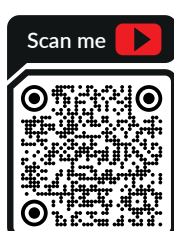
Throughout 2024, the MEDEVAC HUB Jasionka near Rzeszów Airport has been operating, with continuous involvement from Poland Emergency Medical Team PCPM including doctors, paramedics, nurses, and logistics personnel. The primary function of this transit center is to provide medical care to individuals evacuated from Ukraine for treatment at facilities throughout Europe.

In 2024, 1,044 people arrived at the MEDEVAC HUB Jasionka. This included 662 patients, 134 patients returning to Ukraine, and 248 accompanying individuals. The majority of patients were transferred to Germany, Norway, Sweden, the Netherlands, and Denmark. The MEDEVAC HUB Jasionka began operations in September 2022, initiated through the commitment and involvement of the health ministries of Poland and Ukraine. The HUB is funded by the European Union under the Union Civil Protection Mechanism and supported by numerous partners, including the International Organization for Migration, the Polish Ministry of Health, WHO, and the Podkarpackie Voivodeship.

W For me, arriving here was a big, positive surprise. After a difficult journey, I immediately found myself in a welcoming place where all the staff are friendly. My blood pressure was checked, I got my space and dinner. Tears immediately came to my eyes.

Natalia, a patient from Ukraine

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Evacuated patients from
Ukraine are waiting for
transport at the
Medevac HUB in
Jasionka





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Poland Emergency
Medical Team PCPM
is assisting in flood
damage recovery

Handing over equipment
to firefighters who assisted
during the flood



Flood Relief

Objective

Rapid and effective support for those affected by floods, with a particular emphasis on enhancing the capabilities of fire brigades in disaster-stricken areas.

Achievements

Rapid Equipment Delivery: PCPM immediately delivered equipment, such as shovels, generators, dehumidifiers, and pumps, to numerous locations, including Łądek-Zdrój, Trzebieszowice, and Stronie Śląskie. Delivery of equipment essential for clearing flood damage and ensuring communication, including generators, power banks, and internet equipment.

Financial Support

PCPM provided financial assistance to organizations in Jelenia Góra through the POP Fund.

Funding

Individual and corporate donations.

The PCPM Foundation, in cooperation with local firefighters, mainly from Volunteer Fire Brigades, responding to the needs reported by them, provided essential equipment. The Foundation provided both immediate assistance and long-term support.

When new crises and challenges arise, we focus on areas where we have 'added value.' We have been collaborating with professional firefighters and volunteers for years, drawing on their experience, as well as instructors during fire brigade training in Africa, the Middle East, and Ukraine. We felt it was our duty to support the Volunteer Fire Brigades struggling with the flood, immediately replenish their equipment shortages, and assist in reconstruction, including their headquarters.

Wojtek Wilk PhD, CEO of the Polish Center for International Aid Foundation



POP Fund Polish Organizations Pooled Fund

Objective

The POP Fund was established to respond to the growing humanitarian needs that arose in connection with the war in Ukraine. The PCPM Foundation, as the operator of the Fund, set itself the goal of supporting various groups in need of assistance, from refugees from Ukraine to those affected by the floods in Poland.

Achievements

Over the course of four editions of the POP Fund Grant Competition, 79 projects implemented by 72 organizations from all over Poland were financed. The Fund supported both small initiatives and larger, comprehensive actions.

Assistance to Refugees from Ukraine

The Fund focused on improving the living conditions of refugees, educational support for children, and assistance to older people, people with disabilities, and groups at risk of marginalization.

Flood Relief

In response to crises, the Fund focused on rebuilding non-governmental organizations and Volunteer Fire Brigades, supporting child caregivers, assisting people with disabilities, and preparing homes for winter.

Improving the Quality of Life for Refugees

Ensuring better living conditions, especially outside of large cities. Assistance in voluntary departures from collective accommodation centers.

Education and Integration of Refugee Children

Organizing "Saturday schools" for children learning Ukrainian, supporting high school

graduates and secondary school students, and implementing integration projects for Polish and Ukrainian children in schools.

Flood Relief

Projects focused on rebuilding homes, securing them for winter, organizing community centers for children, and support for older people and people with disabilities.

Funding

Google: PLN 3,935,000, Biedronka Foundation: PLN 1,500,000, META: PLN 393,500, Pfizer Foundation: PLN 934,563, PKO Bank Polski Foundation: PLN 750,000, Center for Disaster Philanthropy: PLN 1,000,000, Orbis S.A. (owned by AccorInvest and Globalworth): PLN 100,000.

Polish Organizations Pooled Fund – is a proven tool that is used in humanitarian crises around the world. The method in which various institutions jointly finance programs selected through open grant competitions is widely used in the humanitarian aid system.

POP Fund is the first instrument in Poland for financing humanitarian aid by both private and corporate donors, with the hope that it will set a new direction for the support of aid programs.

The success of POP Fund is based on the cooperation of non-governmental organizations, businesses, the diplomatic environment, and local authorities. The PCPM Foundation created a space for joint engagement in support of people in need, appreciating the knowledge and experience of local organizations. The transparent process of allocating funds, based on open grant competitions and evaluation by independent experts, guarantees an objective selection of the best projects.



Poland Emergency Medical Team PCPM

Objective

Poland Emergency Medical Team PCPM operates to provide rapid and effective medical assistance in crisis situations, both in Poland and abroad. The team's goal is to save lives and health, as well as support local rescue and medical services in enhancing their competencies.

Achievements

Foreign Missions: The team participated in various missions, including in Cairo (organizing medical aid in the Gaza Strip), Ukraine (firefighter training, medical and veterinary aid), Ethiopia (firefighter and medical training, logistical support), Kenya (USAR team training), Tanzania (medical personnel training) and Palestine (telemedicine, support for a mobile clinic, USG training).

Flood Relief in Poland

Provision of equipment, assistance with cleanup work, and securing damaged home structures.

Training and Development

Enhancing the qualifications of the entire team. Workshops on psychological support, which is crucial when working in difficult and stressful conditions.

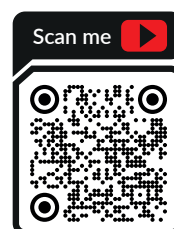
Funding

PCPM's activities are funded from various sources, including donations from individual and institutional donors, state budget funds, and PCPM's own resources. The funding method for specific projects depended on their specifics and location.

Poland Emergency Medical Team PCPM has been operating continuously since 2015. The year 2024 was a time of intensive development and engagement in humanitarian aid worldwide for the PCPM Medical Emergency Response Team. The team, composed of experienced specialists, not only improved their qualifications but also actively worked in many countries, providing medical assistance, training local services, and supporting communities affected by crises.



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Field training of the
Poland Emergency
Medical Team PCPM





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Field hospital of the
Poland Emergency
Medical Team (PCPM)

The team is the only medical rapid response group in Poland and one of only a few in Europe certified by the World Health Organization (WHO) for rapid response to humanitarian crises and natural disasters. The team also operates within the Union Civil Protection Mechanism and is ready to deploy to a zone affected by natural disasters (e.g., an earthquake) or humanitarian crises.

SDGs - Sustainable Development Goals

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) were adopted at the United Nations (UN) summit in New York in 2015 in the document "Transforming Our World: The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development." This document is a plan for the entire world in numbers, descriptions, and tasks to be completed, which aims to solve the greatest challenges of the modern world. The agenda includes 17 goals and 169 specific actions, focusing on five key areas: people, planet, prosperity, peace, and partnership. The most important objectives include eliminating hunger and poverty, ensuring access to clean water and education for all, as well as combating climate change. In order for these goals to be achieved, global cooperation is necessary – from governments to international organizations, companies, and private individuals.

ESG - Environmental, Social, and Governance

ESG stands for Environmental, Social, and Governance, referring to indicators used to present the non-financial results of a company. It signifies an approach to managing a company that places particular emphasis on responsibility towards the natural environment, employees, and local communities, as well as adherence to ethical principles and transparency in governance. The ESG concept grew out of the idea of CSR (corporate social responsibility), which over time proved insufficient for assessing the impact of companies on the environment and communities. There was a lack of specific indicators and hard data that would allow for the analysis of these actions. ESG introduces a greater emphasis on measurable criteria and precise reporting of results in the environmental, social, and governance areas.

The PCPM Foundation can support companies in the area of ESG reporting because it has many years of experience in providing effective assistance. The Foundation's specialists work directly in the places where projects are implemented, which allows them to accurately understand the needs of local communities. As a result, our Foundation is able to provide valuable data that will help in assessing the impact of a company's actions on communities and the environment.

How you can help



“Credibility, effectiveness and transparency” - these are the qualities most often mentioned by our Partners and Donors when we ask them why they decided to support our activities. These values are incredibly important to us, and we are deeply grateful to every donor who made a donation or decided to support us regularly every month.

We are supported by both private individuals and companies. Our partners include local non-governmental organizations, international humanitarian organizations and UN agencies.

Every contribution, big and small, translates into specific assistance that we provide to people in need. On their and our behalf, we thank you.



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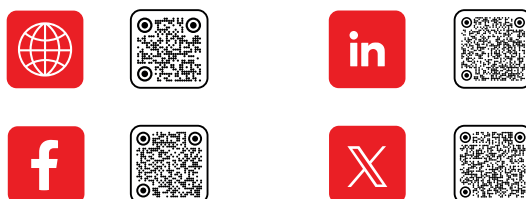
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