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CNEWA Rushes More Aid — now a total of \$1.86 Million — to Displaced Ukrainians

NEW YORK — CNEWA is releasing an additional \$800,000 in funds — totaling more than \$1.86 million to date — to help Ukrainians displaced by Russia's invasion of Ukraine, now entering its eighth week.

The emergency aid will ensure CNEWA partners and other church-related initiatives can continue their work with those displaced within Ukraine and to those seeking refuge in Georgia, Hungary, Moldova, Poland, Romania and Slovakia.

The invasion has triggered the worst humanitarian crisis in Europe since World War II. The UNHCR has estimated more than 7 million people are displaced within Ukraine and nearly 5 million people have sought refuge in neighboring countries. About half of the displaced are children.

CNEWA's \$1.86 million in funding has been released in four disbursements thus far: **\$197,500** at the end of January; **\$217,000** on 11 March; **\$650,000** on 22 March; and **\$800,000** on 20 April. The complete list of beneficiaries is provided below.

1. In late January, **CNEWA distributed \$197,500** to its partners Caritas Ukraine, the Curia of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church and the Ukrainian Catholic University, for their programmatic activities. When the invasion began, CNEWA authorized the reallocation of these funds for emergency support for families within Ukraine. Activities included:
 - Supplying the soup kitchen in Mariupol
 - Funding activities to shelter, feed and clothe families in the Eparchy of Chernivtsi
 - Supporting emergency relief efforts of Caritas, including medicine kits, in Ternopil
 - Hosting families in welcome centers of Caritas in Zhytomyr
 - Helping families cope with loss of children in Zaporizhzhia
 - Assisting seminarians offering shelter, food and care for the displaced in Uzhorod.
2. On 11 March, **CNEWA distributed an additional \$217,000** for aid in Ukraine to:
 - Sheptytsky Hospital in Lviv, which is treating the wounded
 - The Ukrainian Greek Catholic Curia for its efforts in caring for the displaced and to bolster its cybersecurity infrastructure
 - The Ukrainian Greek Catholic eparchies of Chernivtsi, Kyiv and Sokal-Zhovkva for their care centers receiving the displaced



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- And Caritas Ukraine, the Sisters, Servants of Mary Immaculate and the Ukrainian Catholic University in Lviv for the support of their centers for the displaced.
3. On 22 March, **CNEWA released \$650,000** to assist the efforts of the local churches in their outreach work caring for Ukrainian refugees in Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, Romania and Moldova. Among the partners are:
- The Ukrainian Greek Catholic Archeparchy of Przemysl-Warsaw
 - The Romanian Greek Catholic Major Seminary in Oradea, Romania
 - The Slovak Greek Catholic Eparchy of Kosice
 - The receiving centers of local councils of the Knights of Columbus
 - Caritas Hungary
 - The Roman Catholic Diocese of Chisinau, Moldova.
4. **CNEWA has just released an additional \$800,000** to the entities listed immediately above, as well as the following in their care for the displaced and refugees:
- The Ukrainian Greek Catholic Seminary in Kyiv
 - The Ukrainian Greek Exarchate of Odesa, Ukraine
 - The Zarvanytsia Center in the Archeparchy of Ternopil-Zboriv, Ukraine
 - The “Bridge of Hope” facility of the Sisters, Servants of Mary Immaculate
 - Caritas receiving centers in Chernivtsi, Kyiv, Ternopil and Zaporizhzhia, Ukraine
 - The Hungarian Greek Catholic Archeparchy of Hajdudorog, Hungary
 - The emergency needs of Ukrainian refugees sheltered in hosting centers set up by Caritas Georgia and Caritas Slovakia.

CNEWA has made these emergency allocations thanks to the generosity of its friends, benefactors and partners throughout North America.

An agency of the Holy See, CNEWA is present in the Middle East, Northeast Africa, India and Eastern Europe, working for, through and with the Eastern churches, rushing aid to displaced families; providing maternity and health care for the most vulnerable; assisting efforts for the marginalized, especially children, elderly and the disabled; and offering support for the formation of seminarians, religious novices and the laity.

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