



ORPHANS CARE CENTER

ALWAYS BY YOUR SIDE

Overcoming the tragic consequences of the war in Ukraine



487 CHILDREN WERE KILLED

*DURING 475 DAYS OF RUSSIAN FULL-SCALE WAR IN UKRAINE

395 disappeared

19499 deported

1015 injured

373 returned back



WE MANAGED TO ADAPT OUR WORK THREE HOURS AFTER THE RUSSIAN INVASION HAD STARTED

- Orphans Care Center established **the field kitchen to feed refugees** that started coming in a couple of hours after the first bombardment on the 24th of February.
- We **temporarily closed a couple of our projects**, including the kindergarten "Anhelyki".
- The kindergarten **facility was turned into a shelter for refugees**.
- All other spaces of our House of Mercy were **turned into the humanitarian aid hub** to receive and deliver help to the most affected cities in the combat zones.





My name is Maksym. I have seen two bridges blown up near Kyiv, my hometown. I left all my toys there. I am afraid of sirens and don't want to eat. I want to go home.

***Many children who left their homes and experienced bombardments have signs of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder.**





52
orphans
evacuated to
Europe



120
women with
children evacuated
to the Ukrainian-
Polish border

AMOUNT OF
HELP
DELIVERED
BY CENTER*

over 450
refugees were
hosted at our
temporary shelter



*as of 13.06.2023



Hostomel
Kyiv
Chernihiv
Kharkiv

Kyiv Irpin

OVER 750 TONNES OF HUMANITARIAN AID WERE DELIVERED TO

Sumy
Okhtyrka
Mariupol
Nizhyn
Konstantynivka
Zaporizhya





HUMANITARIAN CRISIS DURING WAR*

The war in Ukraine has caused the fastest and largest displacement of people in Europe since World War II

Many cities are destroyed

Mariupol, Bakhmut, Bucha, Irpin, Hostomel, Kharkiv, Chernihiv, Sumy, Okhtyrka, Volnovakha...

7 million citizens

became internally displaced persons

5-8 million citizens*

became refugees in Europe

22 million Ukrainians

are in need of humanitarian aid

*assessment from various sources

*as of 06.03.2023



**THEFERORE,
WE UNDERSTAND**
that even when the war is over

Millions of people
**will not have a
home to come
back to**



**44 million will
need psychological
support** to process
the trauma

Tens of
thousands of
**children will
become
orphans**





CRISIS AFTER THE WAR

Ukrainian cities are under bombardment daily. The statistics grows every day.



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preserved buildings in Mariupol, Bahmut and other



3290

educational institutions are damaged or destroyed



> 140000

residential houses in Ukraine were damaged or destroyed

*as of 28.04.2023



CRISIS AFTER BLOWING UP THE DAM IN NOVA KAKHOVKA = A WAR CRIME

This war crime and an act of ecocide committed by the occupying forces of the Russian Federation around 2:50 a.m. on June 6, 2023, during the Russian invasion of Ukraine. Most likely, the Kakhovska HPP dam was mined and blown up, which led to its destruction.



16000

people were affected



> 80

cities were flooded

*as of 13.06.2023



*Orphans Care Center is
a non-profit christian
organization with a 14-year
history of social work with
children deprived of
parental care*



WE WORK FOR

- Orphans, social orphans, graduates of orphanages.
- Children from families in difficult life circumstances.
- Foster families, family-type orphanages.
- Children with disabilities.
- Children of war (since 2014).





Orphans Care Center is in search of **partners who will help** to adapt our House of Mercy to the **humanitarian and psychological needs** of the children who have survived the war

already 400 of **2410.5 sq**
of our House of Mercy now are being used

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HOUSE OF MERCY

Located **in the city center**

Used to be an educational center for children and youth since the 19th century

In 2019, as a gesture of trust, **the building was gifted to the Orphans Care Center by the Lviv City Council**





House of Mercy



2410.5 square meters

5 floors and the basement
(now used as a bomb shelter)



Already **400 sq m** are **temporarily repaired** and are used as a shelter for 40 people*

*as of 14 of June all repaired area are used only for our projects and no one refugee is living here



EXPERTISE OF THE ORPHANS CARE CENTER

- We are **in the process** of forming a team to achieve our goals and create an educational center for working with children and orphans of war victims. But certain **finances and conditions are required**.
- **For 14 years Orphans Care Center worked with** orphans and social orphans in Lviv, Dnipro, Donetsk, Chernihiv, and Ternopil regions **to develop skills for independent living**.
- **15 educational and development programs are run** by Orphans Care Center.
- **More than 1000 children** involved in our programs and projects each year.





CAPACITY OF THE HOUSE OF MERCY



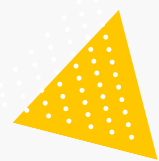
8 employees are working for the needs of Orphans Care Center. It's **not enough** because of our plans



70 volunteers, who are working with **us for more than 5 years**



House of Mercy has **a development plan** for the next **10 years**



Cooperation with the **city** and **region state councils**



Mental health hub "Diya.Ty", where **10 crisis psychologists** work, **more than 150 clients** receive services (**70% - social category**)



Children's space of preschool education "Angels", where **36 children** are educated (**30% - social category**)



Dozens of **local partners** from the public and business sectors



Act ahead: what we will do next



Culinary space for our **KAZANOK** project - **teaching orphans to cook**



Training school of volunteering - to teach new volunteers "**How to deal with orphans**"



Volunteer hub to deliver the humanitarian aid



Football field and stands for our football club **KOPA**



Repairing of 4 rooms for 4 groups in the children's space "Angels", which will allow to accept an **additional 8 children of the social category**



Educational programs and sport activities for children



HOW WE ACT IN THE ORPHANS CARE CENTER

■ **Chaplains + Volunteers**
=
Team

■ **Visit institutions +**
Study the needs of the child +
Generate ideas

■ **Our motto:**
Always be near the child





Our projects

Chaplaincy:

The vocation of the chaplains of the Orphans Care Center is primarily spiritual care and prayer service for children. Every week, our priests pray and conduct catechesis in orphanages and boarding schools in Lviv. In addition, an important component is the administration of the Holy Sacraments, in particular baptism and marriage.

The cooking club "Kazanok"

Project, which enables orphan children to learn cooking under the guidance of professional chefs. The goal of the project is to teach orphans to cook a variety of dishes, not only everyday, but also haute cuisine, and in this way instill skills and love for cooking.

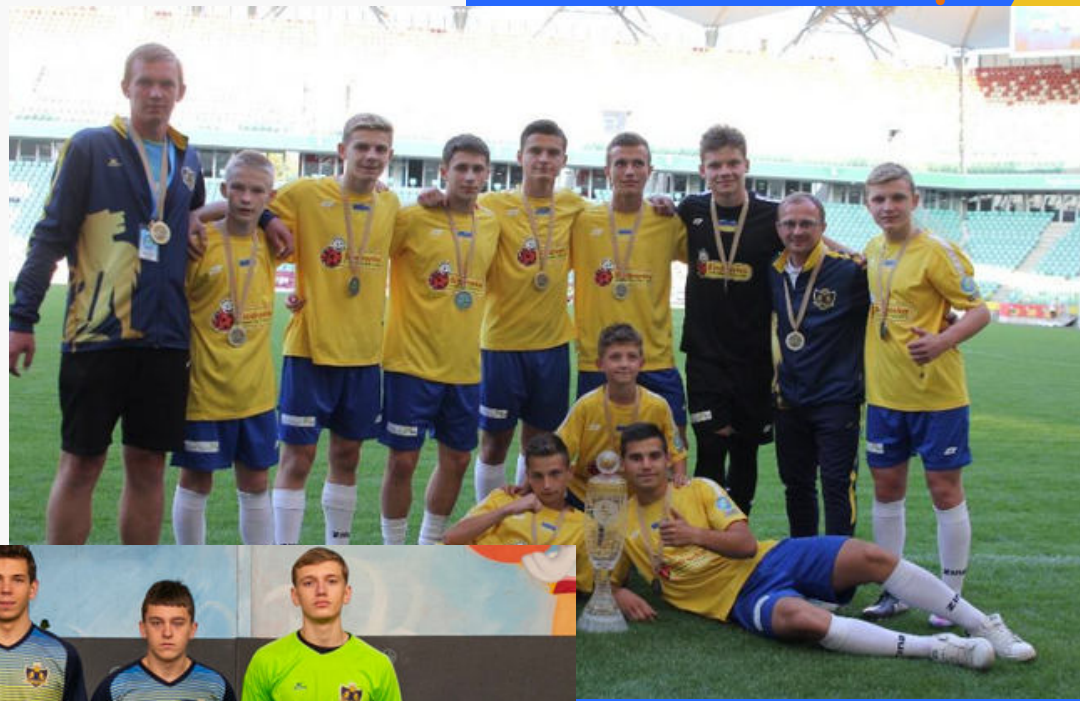


Our projects

■ **Kidspace of preschool education "Angels"** is a modern kindergarten based on Christian values. The space is designed to provide the child with Christian and moral education, to promote his socialization, the development of personal abilities, initiatives, talents and smooth preparation for the school environment.

We have social categories and need money for their scholarships, because orphans are here for free, children of Heroes of war have discounts and also we have 5-6 children with some speech delay (some type of disabilities), so they need their personal tutor - till the July we have money for these salaries but from July unfortunately we will stop this program.





Our projects

"KOPA" is a football team consisting of children from orphanages and boarding schools. Sports activities promote physical development and the acquisition of healthy lifestyle skills in team members, as well as inculcate in them the spirit of brotherhood, mutual responsibility and the desire for success. The football team won a brilliant victory at the World Cup among children under care two years in a row (2018 and 2019).

The mental health hub "Diya.Ty" offers psychological support for children, teenagers and adults who have experienced the consequences of war. 12 psychologists work here and 4 clerics, whose services are already used by 250 clients. Joint project: [ukredplatform](#) + [leadership.ministry](#) + [cskinfo.lviv](#) + [orphancenter](#)



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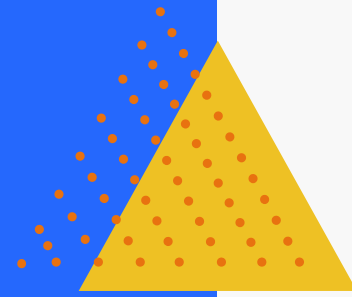
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Our projects

- **Icon painting school "Little chaplains"** for orphan children and children from boarding schools. Classes at the school are conducted by Andrii Mayovets, a graduate of the Icon Painting School of the Ukrainian Catholic University "Radruzh". The result of each semester is the completed icon
- **"Helping Hands"** is a volunteer movement of the Orphans Care Center, which has approx. 100 people. For 13 years, our volunteers, together with the chaplains, have arranged a large number of campaigns, events, trips (including foreign ones), camps, master classes, etc. for children.





Our projects

ALTERNATYVA is a project for students of Higher Professional Schools of the city of Lviv, which provides an alternative to street education. Another pastoral activity of our chaplains





Our projects

- Winter and summer camps for orphans
- Easter fun event with different activities program
- Christmas and Easter basket for social families
- 6 November—a Day of Prayer for Orphans in Ukraine
- Saint Nicholas Day and lots of other different activities for those children who needs our help!





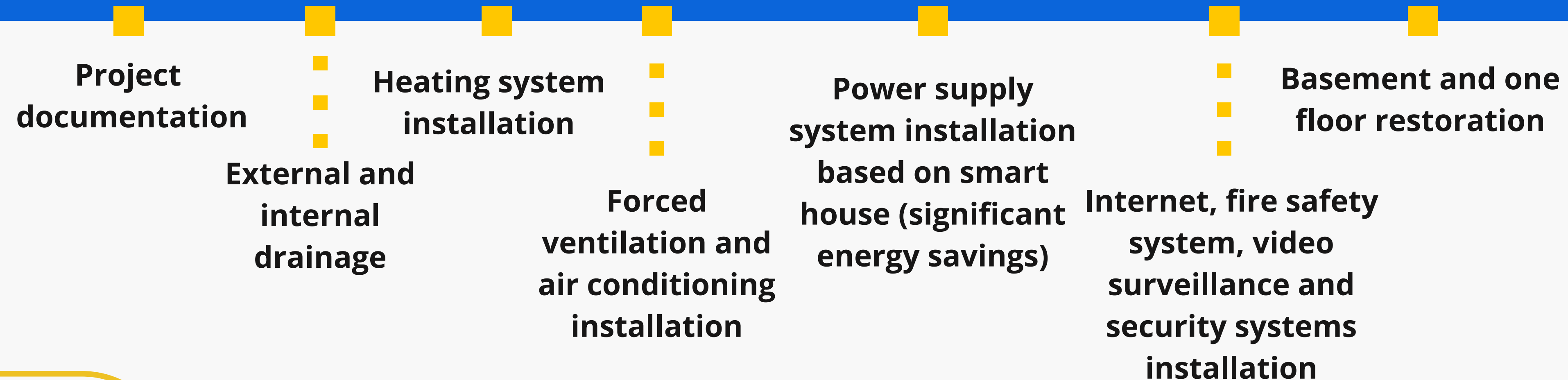
Emotional stories

- 11 o'clock in the afternoon. Someone is calling me from one of the churches in Lviv. They say that a group of orphans came with a teacher and asked to baptize the children. When I spoke with them, it turned out that they had nowhere to live and nothing to eat. We took them to us, and in a few days the sacrament of baptism of six orphans took place. Together with the children's service, we managed to organize a permanent safe place for them.
- 2 o'clock in the morning. - 24 degrees Celsius. Volunteers from the station call: "Do you have a place to accept a woman with a 5-month-old baby?". In 20 min. We were already on our way to settle down. This woman was with us for two days and witnessed the sacrament of baptism of 6 orphan children from the Luhansk region. She asked to baptize her 5-month-old baby.
- Twelve-year-old Sashko was with his mother Snizhana in Mariupol when the city was surrounded by the Russian military. Together they survived shelling, lack of water, heat, hunger, Sasha's injuries - until they were separated by the Russians. They were not even allowed to say goodbye. The boy was told that his mother had abandoned him. He was rescued, but his mother is still a prisoner of the Russian occupiers.



Our primary steps to renovate the House of Mercy:

*Estimated budget to repair one floor **is \$200.000**





ABOUT US

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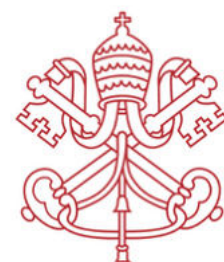
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