



Olena Zelenska  
Foundation

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WE ARE  
RESTORING  
THE HUMAN  
CAPITAL  
OF UKRAINE

2023

## CHILDHOOD AMIDST WAR

Seeing healthy children, parents and friends – for now that's the real happiness for us adults. Meanwhile, for children, it remains the same – finding new friends, vivid memories, sunny mornings, summer vacations...

My Foundation strives to ensure that even amidst war, children do not lose the sense of a joyful childhood. I thank international partners and donors for the opportunity to help our little Ukrainians dream of a bright future. Yes, thanks to the contributions of philanthropists, a camp for the psychological rehabilitation and treatment of children was funded. We have also launched a pilot project to provide rest and recreation for large foster families in the Carpathians.

There are many plans ahead and some of them are crucial to implement before the start of the new school year. For instance, repairing school shelters, providing students with necessary gadgets for learning, and acquiring school buses, many of which have been stolen or destroyed by the occupiers.

For all these plans, the Foundation continues to raise international funds. Because every Ukrainian child, like every child in the world, has the right to a quality and safe education, to a childhood without the taste of war. Thank you to everyone who is catching and has already caught our charitable wave. Thank you!

First Lady of Ukraine,  
Olena Zelenska



## LEARNING TO MAKE PLANS FOR LIFE AGAIN

We are pleased to present a report on the activities of the Olena Zelenska Foundation during the second quarter of 2023. In this report, you will learn about the projects that the Olena Zelenska Foundation has implemented and get to know the families we are assisting. Despite the unpredictability of life during wartime, it's heartening to see that an increasing number of Ukrainians are beginning to dream and make plans for the future.

As a team, we are seeing this positive trend in requests for assistance. While in the past, during blackouts, the most common requests were for heaters, generators, and batteries, now the focus has shifted to everyday items, building materials for home repairs, and household management. This indicates a thirst for life and a desire to rebuild it from scratch.

The Foundation strives to motivate people to live and plan for the future. We continue to support large foster families. Especially those located near the borders of the aggressor state and those who have had to leave their homes due to shelling for safer regions.

The Foundation pays more and more attention to the protection and support of children. In spring, we provided rehabilitation for young witnesses of war in the Gen.Camp rehabilitation camp. In summer, we organized family vacations in the Carpathians for large foster families, including families affected by the explosion of the Kakhovka dam.

The Iziom Central Hospital remains a priority of our activities. The search for partners to finance all stages of its reconstruction continues. This quarter, the Foundation launched a new project called "Childhood Address" to provide a roof over the heads of hundreds of children from large foster families.

Countless plans lie ahead. The consistent support of socially important projects by the international community gives us the strong belief that they will all inevitably come to fruition.

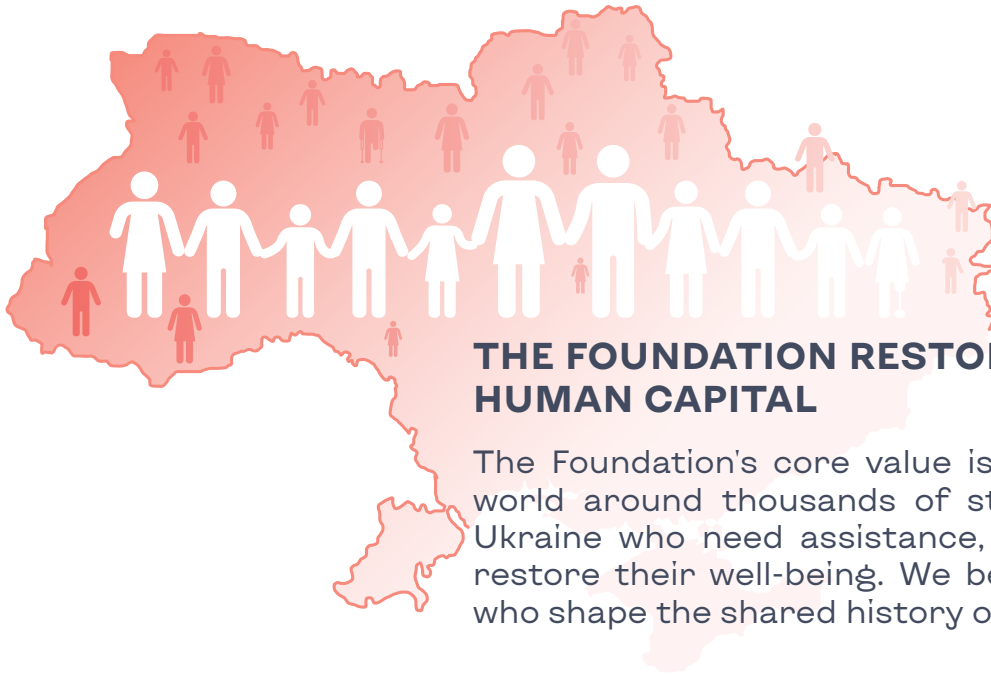


With gratitude,  
Director of the Olena Zelenska Foundation,  
Nina Horbachova



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# ABOUT THE FOUNDATION



## **THE FOUNDATION RESTORES UKRAINE'S HUMAN CAPITAL**

The Foundation's core value is people. We unite the world around thousands of stories of people from Ukraine who need assistance, and step by step, we restore their well-being. We believe that it is people who shape the shared history of Ukraine's future.

## **OUR MISSION:**

### **TO PROVIDE UNIMPEDED CONDITIONS FOR A DIGNIFIED LIFE FOR PEOPLE IN UKRAINE**

Every person should feel physically and mentally healthy, protected, and have the opportunity to exercise their right to education and build a happy future.

## **OUR VALUES:**

### **PERSON-CENTERED APPROACH, TRANSPARENCY, PARTNERSHIP, ACCESSIBILITY**

## **AREAS OF ACTIVITY:**

**HUMANITARIAN AID**

**EDUCATION**

**HEALTHCARE**

HOW DO  
WE WORK

1

## **WE RECEIVE REQUESTS**

The Foundation possesses statistical information regarding needs in different regions and directly communicates with people and local authorities to efficiently gather assistance requests.

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## **WE FIND PARTNERS**

The Foundation engages international, private, corporate, and institutional donors who wish to invest in restoring Ukraine's human capital.

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## **WE IMPLEMENT PROJECTS**

The Foundation undertakes large-scale projects that provide assistance to significant social groups or the entire country.

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## **WE OVERSEE PROJECTS FROM START TO FINISH**

The Foundation's team is constantly in touch with those receiving assistance. We manage projects remotely and also travel to the locations for maximum control.

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## **WE PROVIDE TRANSPARENT REPORTING**

The Foundation collaborates with the auditing company Ernst & Young and reports to the people and partners who assist Ukrainians and Ukraine.



# HUMANITARIAN AID

## 1.1. SUPPORT FOR LARGE FOSTER FAMILIES

The Olena Zelenska Foundation continues to assist residents of large foster families. Currently there are 1,308 such families registered in Ukraine, and in the second quarter of 2023 our team helped 110 of them. The Foundation pays special attention to families living near the borders of the aggressor state and those forced to leave areas under shelling for safer regions. More often than not, families receive heating boilers, building materials, household appliances, gadgets for children's education, furniture, and other household items.

### A STORY OF PROVIDING HELP:

Foster parents Mykola and Natalia Rudnyk are raising eight children. The family from Cherkasy region turned to the Foundation with a request for help in acquiring building materials. They needed to repair the roof of their house, which had been damaged due to shelling.

According to the parents, in the early days of the full-scale invasion, even former foster children who had already left the family residence returned to their native home. The large family spent a month together hiding in the basement. While shelling continued upstairs, the shockwave from the explosions damaged the roof of the house, causing it to leak.

To stay warm during winter, the family needed roofing materials. The Foundation also provided the family with kitchen appliances, tableware, and bedding. Phones and tablets were provided to the children for educational purposes.



## AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE

**51**

**LARGE  
FOSTER  
FAMILIES**

**ODESA  
REGION**

**3 568 968  
UAH**



**59**

**LARGE  
FOSTER  
FAMILIES**

**CHERKASY  
REGION**

**5 519 016  
UAH**

In the second quarter of 2023, large foster families from two regions of Ukraine – Cherkasy and Odesa, including displaced families from other regions, received assistance from the Foundation.



Assisting large foster families is now made possible thanks to the European Investment Bank. With its charitable contribution of EUR 800,000, the Foundation has already provided all the necessary support to foster families from five regions: Kyiv, Zhytomyr, Chernihiv, Cherkasy, and Odesa.

**CHARITABLE  
CONTRIBUTION.  
EUROPEAN  
INVESTMENT BANK:**

**€ 800 000**

## 1.2. HOUSES FOR LARGE FOSTER FAMILIES

The war continues to destroy homes of Ukrainians. It is estimated that over 4.5 million people are currently left without homes, including nearly 2 million families with children. The housing problem is particularly felt by large foster families, who often have to live and arrange their lives in rented temporary housing that is often unsuitable for children.

This year, the Olena Zelenska Foundation launched the extensive project "Childhood Address," covering all regions of Ukraine. Through the collaboration of international donors, local authorities, and the Foundation, the first foster families that lost their homes due to the war will have new homes by the end of the year.

Currently, two countries have already supported the Foundation's "Childhood Address" project. Specifically, the construction of the first 10 houses will be fully funded by the government of the United Arab Emirates, while two more houses will be funded by the Republic of Estonia.



A meeting of the Foundation's founder with the State Minister for International Cooperation, Reem Al Hashimi, and the Minister of Climate Change and Environment, Mariam Almheiri – UAE's Humanitarian Aid envoys to Ukraine.

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**GOVERNMENT  
OF THE UNITED  
ARAB EMIRATES**

The Foundation's leadership meets with the government team of the Republic of Estonia, including the Minister of Economic Affairs and Information Technology Tiit Riisalo, Director General of the Department for Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Aid Kairi Saar-Isop, Acting Executive Director of ESNDEV Andrea Kivi, and the Deputy Head of Mission at the Estonian Embassy in Kyiv Margus Gering.

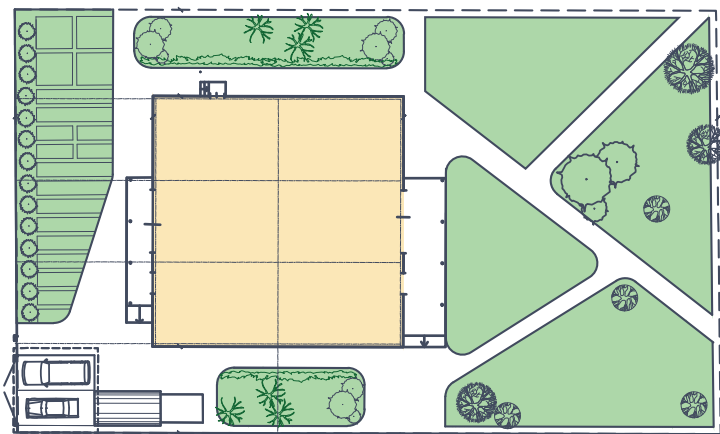


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**REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA**





## VIEW OF THE HOUSE AND TERRITORY



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Together with the local authorities, we have selected 10 plots for construction and developed a standard house design with a detailed cost estimate. The process of conducting geological and geodetic surveys is currently underway. According to the project developed by the Foundation in accordance with global standards, the houses for large foster families will be inclusive, energy efficient, fully furnished, and equipped with Civil Protection Shelter (CPS).



**THE FOUNDATION'S TEAM HAS ALREADY MET WITH THE FIRST FAMILIES FOR WHOM HOMES WILL BE BUILT.**



**A STORY OF PROVIDING HELP TO THE DRYLCHUK FAMILY**

One of the first homes the Foundation will build is for the Drylchuk family. The foster family is raising seven children. They come from the Kupiansk district of Kharkiv region. The war completely destroyed their home.

The future home for the family will be constructed in the urban village of Korotych, PISOCHYNSKA territorial community of Kharkiv region



The building plot, spanning 0.15 hectares, is located 16 kilometers away from Kharkiv. The developed local infrastructure provides everything necessary for comfortable living and children's education. Nearby, there are schools, kindergartens, shops, and public transportation stops. The Foundation's team personally inspected the plot's location to ensure that the newcomers will have a good life here.





### **A STORY OF PROVIDING HELP TO THE YAROSLAVTSEV FAMILY**

Soon, the Yaroslavtsev family, who miraculously escaped from the occupied part of Zaporizhzhia, will become residents of a new home in Kyiv region. In this large foster family, Alla and Oleksandr are raising 11 children.

«The occupiers were hiding in shelters, while the buses with children were left on the road under shelling. It was very frightening; we miraculously survived. When we found ourselves in the territory controlled by Ukraine and saw our soldiers, we felt an indescribable joy.»

**recalls mother Alla.**

Currently, the family is temporarily residing in Boryspil, Kyiv region. To share the pleasant news of the home construction, the First Lady of Ukraine Olena Zelenska personally visited the family.

The Foundation's team is assisting the Yaroslavtsev family not for the first time. Immediately after the children and their parents moved to Kyiv region, we provided the family with all the necessary items for comfortable living: beds, household appliances, heaters, learning gadgets, bedding, and dishes.

The Olena Zelenska Foundation continues to seek donors for the implementation and scaling of the "Childhood Address" project. Currently, negotiations are underway regarding the funding of home construction for large foster families with Slovenia, Australia, and Finland. Due to the war in Ukraine caused by Russia, at least 80 large foster families have been left without housing.



### 1.3. VACATION FOR LARGE FOSTER FAMILIES IN THE CARPATHIANS

This summer, the Foundation organized a vacation for large foster families at the "Artek-Bukovel" camp. Parents with younger foster children settled near the camp. For them, the Foundation rented separate accommodations and developed a special program. The older children enjoyed their vacation at the camp in age-specific groups. Each session lasted for 12 days.



«After speaking with large foster families, we learned that they had never had a chance for joint vacation. Never. Our team decided to create conditions for these families where both children and parents can truly relax. The Carpathians have become the source of strength capable of relieving heavy thoughts during difficult times.»

**shared Nina Horbachova,  
the director of the Foundation.**





## HISTORY OF THE KOZACHENKO FAMILY

Iryna and Oleh Kozachenko from Voznesensk, Mykolaiv region. From the beginning of the full-scale invasion, this couple with nine children did not leave their hometown. The children became volunteers. The older ones packed food kits, while the younger ones wove camouflage nets for the military. Several years ago, the family conquered the peaks of the Carpathians, but due to the war, similar plans had to be canceled last year. The parents and children didn't have the opportunity to go together to the mountains for a vacation.



«While our children were on hikes, doing quests, my wife and I were immersing ourselves in the Hutsul culture. We tasted local dishes, enjoyed delicacies from creamery, and conquered mountain peaks... We rested and gathered strength for the year ahead,»

**shared the foster father Oleh.**

In total, with funds received from partners, this year the Foundation is organizing summer camps in the Carpathians for 1,400 children (6 shifts) from the most war-affected regions.

	DURATION	NUMBER OF CAMPERS	REGION
I SHIFT	02.06/23 - 14.06/23	240 CHILDREN WITH PARENTS	39 FOSTER FAMILIES FROM KHARKIV REGION
II SHIFT	16.06/23 - 28.06/23	230 CHILDREN WITH PARENTS	38 FOSTER FAMILIES FROM KHERSON, MYKOLAIV, CHERKASY AND IDP

#### 1.4. ARRANGING OF TEMPORARY HOUSING IN KHARKIV REGION

Today, Kharkiv region stands strong in defense. However, the proximity to the Russian aggressor causes unease among peaceful residents. Due to constant shelling, hundreds of people lose their homes every day. Most of the affected individuals are relocated to urban or student dormitories. Usually, it's hard to call this temporary housing comfortable. The Foundation maintains constant communication with internally displaced persons from the de-occupied territories of the region to meet all their urgent needs.

##### WORK RESULTS:

Within the framework of the project to support the de-occupied Kharkiv region, the Foundation has assisted families from the Lozivska, Chuhuiv, Kupiansk, and Iziur communities of the region. In order to provide people with at least minimal comfort in their temporary residences, we have supplied them with essential items such as heaters, generators, refrigerators, washing machines, kitchenware, and other household items.



**Now, 2,000 people from the de-occupied Kharkiv region have everything they need for comfortable living.**

«We have provided people with everything they desperately needed. The final batch of humanitarian aid has fulfilled the urgent requests of people from all 13 dormitories where IDP live,» **shared Nina Horbachova, the director of the Foundation.**

The Foundation's assistance to internally displaced people was made possible through a charitable contribution of \$500,000 from the Temerty Foundation, with the support of the Embassy of Ukraine in Canada.

**TEMERTY  
FOUNDATION**

**\$500,000**

**EDUCATION**

## 2.1. DIGITAL EQUITY FOR UKRAINE: PROVIDING TEACHERS WITH LAPTOPS

Due to the threat of shelling most educational institutions remain empty and 2.7 million students are forced to engage in remote learning. The war should not deprive Ukrainian students of the right to receive knowledge.

The Foundation's team is doing everything possible to ensure that Ukrainian teachers continue to educate children despite the war. To achieve this, we provide educators with necessary gadgets, including laptops. Many teachers are unable to organize a quality educational process due to a lack of technical resources. Those educators who live near the frontline particularly feel the need for laptops. In such areas, constant shelling makes it possible to conduct education mostly online within shelters. Therefore, to ensure uninterrupted learning for students, the Foundation equips teachers with powerful devices and software.

### A STORY OF PROVIDING HELP

Hanna Novikova from Kryvyi Rih is one of those individuals whom the Olena Zelenska Foundation has provided laptops for children's education. Her example is illustrative for the entire country. Despite the lack of electricity, rocket shelling, and constant air raids, Hanna, a computer science teacher and STEM course instructor, helps students master their subjects. For instance, during blackouts, she taught students how to make their own flashlights. Hanna also constantly reassures and supports her students.



«Educational opportunities in Ukraine should be accessible to all students and should not be dependent on teachers' technical resources. Educators must continue provide students with knowledge. Knowledge will definitely be needed after victory. However, they are already helping now, as children learn how to work with information. Our main task is to support and assist educators in every way.»

**emphasizes Olena Zelenska,  
the founder of the Foundation.**

## AMOUNT OF LAPTOPS

5 194

Zaporizhzhia  
region



5 550

Dnipro  
region

Laptops for teachers are part of the assistance package from HP and Microsoft as partners of the "Digital Equity for Ukraine" project. The initiative for creating this project was taken by the Global Business Coalition for Education (GBC-Education) with the support of the Olena Zelenska Foundation.

The delivery of laptops within Ukraine was facilitated by GBC-Education in collaboration with the Ukraine House Foundation and the Embassy of Ukraine in the United States.

In total, thanks to the project, 38,856 Ukrainian teachers from 12 regions (Kharkiv, Donetsk, Luhansk, Kherson, Mykolaiv, Odesa, Dnipropetrovsk, Zhytomyr, Chernihiv, Kyiv, Sumy, and Zaporizhzhia) received laptops along with software.

The project by the Olena Zelenska Foundation to provide teachers with laptops has become one of the largest initiatives in support of school education, according to the assessment of the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine.

The Foundation's team continues to implement the "Digital Equity for Ukraine" project and is open to collaboration with new international partners.

Because currently, the need for laptops for Ukrainian teachers amounts to 81,309. Primarily, the devices are required for teachers in the Kherson, Kharkiv, Donetsk, Luhansk, Mykolaiv, and Odesa regions.

IN THE SECOND QUARTER  
OF 2023,  
A TOTAL OF

10 744

TEACHERS RECEIVED LAPTOPS

**HEALTHCARE**





### **3.1. REHABILITATION OF CHILDREN AFFECTED BY THE WAR**

The war continues to inflict harm on our children's health. The daily statistics are shocking, as the number of children affected by Russia's criminal actions keeps growing. By the end of June nearly \*1,000 young Ukrainians had suffered various degrees of injuries (\*according to the Prosecutor's General Office of Ukraine). The number of children who have experienced psychological trauma is difficult to count.

That's why the Olena Zelenska Foundation has joined a crucial project for the rehabilitation of children who have witnessed the horrific war crimes of the Russian army, in order to help our youngest citizens endure the worst - the loss of loved ones.

The Foundation supported the initiative and financed three shifts of the Gen.Camp children's camp organized by the Gen.Ukrainian public organization. This year, in the Carpathian Mountains where the camp was held, teenagers aged 12-15 also underwent rehabilitation. An additional educational career guidance program was provided for them. Each shift lasted 21 days.

## A STORY OF PROVIDING HELP

Katia is 11 years old. She is from Mariupol. In the camp, she was helped to cope with the loss of her father, whom she loved very much. He worked at the city's main facility, "Azovstal," and during the full-scale war he joined the local territorial defense. Katia and her mother were able to leave Mariupol only at the end of spring, without ever reuniting with her father. On their way, they witnessed how bombs destroyed her father's workplace, "Azovstal," and they believed he was alive and they would soon be reunited. However, the hope did not come true. Her father was first held captive and later news of his death came. Believing that her father is watching over her and feeling proud, Katia continues to live...



«Now no one will ever call me that again, but I will forever remain daddy's girl,»

**says Katia,  
a resident of the rehabilitation camp**

The Foundation continues to provide assistance to children who have become victims of Russia's armed aggression against Ukraine and to engage in important projects for their rehabilitation.

«They have experienced so much sorrow that it's difficult to imagine how deeply wounded their childhood psyche is. That's why we supported Gen.Ukrainian's initiative to restore the mental health of our children. It's absolutely necessary to do this now because we must care for our future today. Despite everything, children must be physically and mentally healthy.»

**says Nina Horbachova,  
the director of  
the Olena Zelenska Foundation.**

**FINANCED**

**3 CAMP SHIFTS**

**TOTAL OF NEARLY**

**100 CHILDREN**

**REHABILITATED**

**FUNDING AMOUNT:**

**1 million UAH**



### 3.2. RECONSTRUCTION OF IZIUM HOSPITAL

The Foundation continues to take care of Iziom Central Hospital. It was the only hospital within a 125-kilometer radius that served over 150,000 patients annually before the full-scale invasion.

However, Russian rockets destroyed all the main buildings and the maternity ward of the hospital. The enemy also stole the medical equipment. As a result, the medical facility can currently operate at only 10% of its capacity.



**TODAY, FULL OR PARTIAL RESTORATION AND EQUIPMENT ARE REQUIRED FOR:**

- Surgical and therapeutic building;
- Reception, polyclinic, medical and diagnostic department;
- Emergency department;
- Operating unit;
- Department of anesthesiology and intensive care;
- Civil protection structures (shelters);
- Department of physiotherapy and rehabilitation;
- Pediatrics, obstetrics, and gynecology buildings;
- Infectious diseases department;
- Laboratory and other administrative buildings;

**CURRENTLY, A PROJECT PLAN FOR THE RESTORATION OF IZIUM CENTRAL HOSPITAL HAS BEEN DEVELOPED BY A TEAM OF ARCHITECTS.**



The Foundation continues to seek international donors for the restoration of the hospital in Iziom. In total, \$26.4 million USD need to be accumulated for the hospital's restoration work.

# FINANCIAL REPORTING

## **HUMANITARIAN AID:**

Support for large foster families

Kyiv region	19 007,49 UAH.
Odesa region	3 568 968,57 UAH.
Dnipro region	101 240,90 UAH.
Cherkasy region	5 568 316,81 UAH.
Kharkiv region	7 079 229,21 UAH.
Vacation for large foster families in the Carpathians	9 878 721,12 UAH.

**TOTAL:**

**26 215 484,10 UAH.**