

THE CONFLICT IN UKRAINE IS ONE OF THE WORST HUMANITARIAN CRISES IN THE WORLD TODAY. AND 350,000 UKRAINIAN JEWS HAVE BEEN CAUGHT IN THE CROSSFIRE.

DURING TIMES OF CALM IN UKRAINE, FEDERATION PARTNERS HELP 70,000 IMPOVERISHED CHILDREN AND ELDERLY. TODAY, SERVICE PROVIDERS ARE STRETCHED BEYOND CAPACITY AS THOUSANDS MORE UKRAINIAN JEWS HAVE BECOME DEPENDENT ON AID FROM FEDERATION PARTNERS.

TO DATE, FEDERATIONS HAVE RAISED NEARLY \$5 MILLION IN EMERGENCY FUNDS TO HELP OUR PARTNER AGENCIES CONTINUE PROVIDING VITAL AID. BUT URGENT NEEDS CONTINUE TO GROW.

THE JEWISH FEDERATIONS WILL NOT TURN AWAY. WE WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE.



Aid from Federations' partners means the difference between life and death

Deliver Emergency Aid to Homebound and Displaced People



Nearly 9,000 Jewish children, families and elderly remain trapped in conflict zones or are displaced by fighting. Amid blockades, a depressed economy and skyrocketing prices, our partners ensure that they receive food, fuel, medicine and water.

Total Request: \$1,980,000

Address Special Emergency Needs



Emergency home repairs due to damage sustained during the conflict, along with surgeries and special medications, are critical services our partners arrange on behalf of those in exceptional need. More than 1,000 people in the conflict zone receive medical support each month.

Total Request: \$198,000

Secure Housing for Displaced Families



Nearly 2,500 Jews have been forced to flee embattled cities, leaving behind homes and jobs. Our partners provide safe havens for them while they regain their footing and integrate into new living circumstances.

Total Request: \$144,000

Provide a Waystation to New Lives in Israel



Nearly 6,500 Jews have made aliyah in 2015—a 41% increase over last year's record numbers. Our partners have developed a center to serve as a home base for Ukrainian Jews on their way to Israel. There, they can access housing, Hebrew courses, orientation to life in Israel and psychological assistance.

Total Request: \$60,000



HELP BUILDING NEW HOMES

Masha Shumatskaya and her family embraced the revival of Jewish life in Donetsk after decades of Communist suppression. She attended Jewish school, learned Hebrew and thrived in a leadership program for young Jews. But amid ongoing conflict and chronic unemployment, she and her mother were forced to leave everything behind. Displaced and disoriented, they depended on food packages and financial help for months to get back on their feet. Eventually, they were resettled in a new home safe from the fighting.

CARING FOR THOSE UNDER FIRE

When Sophia, a social welfare caretaker in Donetsk, was visiting a 97-year-old client one morning, a massive explosion shook the building. Sophia was shaken, but she quickly resumed her daily duties: bathing her client, cooking breakfast, and after making sure she was OK, going to her next appointment. “I understand I can be killed or injured, but I try not to think about it,” she says. “Caring for these people gives me strength and courage.”

The crisis speaks to the most fundamental reasons that Jewish Federations are so critical. We will not turn away. We are making a difference.



SUPPORTING NEW BEGINNINGS

Artillery shells exploded at the Lugansk cemetery during the funeral for Konstantin Rybalko’s father. It wasn’t surprising. Constant fighting had brought life in the city to a standstill. It shut down Konstantin’s dental practice. Made it impossible to treat his father’s cancer. Amid the danger, the Rybalko family fled to Kiev, where they were connected to a program in Israel for immigrants in the health professions. Konstantin and the family are now reestablishing themselves in Kiryat Yam.

