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*Detroit Scots
Ukrainian Relief Appeal*

Dear Members and Friends of the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit,

Following the Russian invasion of Ukraine, the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit wishes to show support for Ukraine and to help alleviate the suffering caused by this humanitarian crisis. Your support will allow us to provide lifesaving aid to those in need — both in Ukraine and in neighboring countries.

We are asking you for financial support for the Detroit Scots Ukrainian Relief project to provide support for Ukraine.

The goal is to provide at least \$4,000 in support to the **American Red Cross for Ukraine Relief**. A description of the work being done by the **American Red Cross for the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) and the Ukrainian Red Cross** is described below. Other suggestions made by Members for personal contributions you may wish to make on your own, that you can send directly to other charities, are listed at the end of this letter.

We are asking you, Members and Friends, to donate whatever you can for support to Ukraine.


The St. Andrew's Society of Detroit will match 100% of donations up to a total of \$2,000.

How to Make Donations

- **PAYPAL - DONATE** on the Detroit Scots website, or
- **CHECK-** Send a check made payable to St. Andrew's Society of Detroit with **RED CROSS** in the Memo Line:

St. Andrew's Society of Detroit
Kilgour Scottish Centre
2363 Rochester Road
Troy, MI 48083

[Click Here](#)

To go directly to our
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As fighting in Ukraine continues, the American Red Cross has contributed \$12 million dollars to the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) to help alleviate the suffering caused by this devastating crisis, as well as to the Danish Red Cross to provide emergency supplies to people displaced within Ukraine. This support allows the Red Cross network to provide lifesaving aid to those in need — both in the country and in neighboring areas.

Role of the American Red Cross

The American Red Cross has donated \$12 million dollars to the IFRC in support the vital work being done in Ukraine and in surrounding countries. These funds support the most vital humanitarian needs including food, shelter, critical care items and first aid.

The American Red Cross has also deployed international crisis responders to Poland, Moldova, Hungary and Romania and other countries to provide humanitarian relief in support of the international Red Cross operation helping families who fled their homes. These highly trained crisis responders . . . are supporting on-the-ground relief efforts alongside local teams, including the Polish Red Cross, Moldovan Red Cross and Romanian Red Cross.

. . . Francesco Rocca, President of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC): “Responding to a crisis of this magnitude takes teamwork, which is why we’re working hand-in-hand with the Ukrainian Red Cross on the ground to let people know that they’re not alone. Not ever . .

In Ukraine: Aid Amidst the Violence

. . . Around the clock, teams are providing emergency aid amid fear and uncertainty. Since the conflict intensified on February 24, 2022 Red Cross teams have:

- Distributed more than 1,000 tons of emergency aid, including **food, bedding, tents, water and hygiene items** to more than 300,000 people across Ukraine.
- **Supported the evacuation** of over 58,000 people from the towns of Energodar and Sumy and the Kviy, Kharkiv and Kherson regions.
- Provided **first aid training**, to more than 42,000 people across the country.
- Assisted with the evacuation of **people with disabilities**.
- Supported **logistics pipelines** into Ukraine to ensure critical items can be delivered.
- In Neighboring Countries: ...In Poland, Hungary, Moldova, Belarus, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Lithuania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Red Cross volunteers are supporting displaced people. Trucks and planes loaded with goods are arriving regularly to provide critical items for those in need . . .

Upcoming Need

In the coming weeks, Red Cross volunteers will increase their work **reuniting separated families**, providing **food** and other **household items**, and increasing awareness about areas contaminated by **unexploded ordnance**. The current needs are tremendous, critical among them include **water delivery**, support to **health** facilities and **medical** care for families wounded.

More about the American Red Cross

The Red Cross is a nonprofit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to deliver its mission. For more information, please visit [redcross.org](https://www.redcross.org).

Local Support for Refugee Resettlement

In the future, the Society intends to explore opportunities to support refugee resettlement groups in Michigan.

Suggestions for Personal Contributions for Ukrainian Relief

Apart from contributions you make to Detroit Scots Ukrainian Relief, you may wish to make personal contributions on your own to any number of organizations assisting Ukraine. Although not specifically endorsed by the Detroit Scots, we offer suggestions received from Members who have suggested some of their favorite charities to which they are making personal contributions:

- **Doctors without Borders:** Every day, Doctors Without Borders teams deliver emergency medical aid to people in crisis, with humanitarian projects in more than 70 countries.
<https://www.doctorswithoutborders.org/>
- **Samaritan's Purse:** Samaritan's Purse is a nondenominational evangelical Christian organization providing spiritual and physical aid to hurting people around the world. <http://www.samaritanspurse.org/>
- **Ukrainian Cultural Center:** The Center has posted an Announcement on its website (<https://www.uccwarren.com/>) Financial Donations for The Ukrainian-American Crisis Response Committee of Michigan, which suggests donating funds for humanitarian aid to three different 501(c)(3) charities:
 - *the Razom Emergency Fund* (razomforukraine.org/razom-emergency-response).
 - *Ukrainian Congress Committee of America* (ucca.org).
 - *United Ukrainian American Relief Committee* (<https://www.uuarc.org/>).
 - helpsaveukraine.com lists different organizations to support.
- **UNICEF:** is working around the clock to scale up life-saving programs for children. This includes:
 - *Ramping up efforts to meet critical and escalating needs for safe water, health care, education and protection.* <https://www.unicef.org/>
 - *Delivering family hygiene kits, baby diapers, maternal health kits, institutional hygiene kits, disinfectants and bottled water to health and social institutions in eastern Ukraine.*
 - *Increasing the number of mobile child protection teams working between conflict lines.*
 - *Working with UNHCR and partners to activate **Blue Dot hubs**— one-stop safe spaces for children and women. Blue Dots provide key information to traveling families, help to identify unaccompanied and separated children and ensure their protection*
- **World Central Kitchen:** WCK is first to the frontlines, providing meals in response to humanitarian, climate, and community crises. <https://wck.org/>

Thank You,

The St. Andrew's Society of Detroit

The St. Andrew's Society of Detroit, founded in 1849, is the oldest, non-sectarian benevolent organization in Michigan. We are the Detroit Scots. We are a registered 501(c)(3) charity with a mission to provide assistance to the needy and to maintain and promote our rich Scottish heritage.