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GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE PREVENTION, MITIGATION AND RESPONSE

Services in operation:



100

Psychosocial support
mobile teams in Ukraine
(anticipating deployment of
21 more PSS mobile teams)



24

UNFPA-supported
specialized facilities
for GBV survivors



37

Service delivery points



5

Survivor relief centres



16

Other services for vulnerable women (career hubs, “Vilna” women friendly spaces)

| Type of service | Reporting period* | Since March 2022 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| People who sought help at survivor relief centres | 1.688 | 9.252 |
| People who received psychosocial services from the hotline | 2.960 | 38.618 |
| People who received psychosocial counselling of psychosocial mobile teams to address GBV cases | 2.454 | 17.016 |
| Young people who received professional counselling via ‘No Trivia’ chatbot | 529 | 3.536 |
| People who received support of psychotherapists of AURORA platform | 19 | 159 |

**Individuals may receive multiple services.*

ENSURING SAFE BIRTH, REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND STRENGTHENING THE RESILIENCE OF YOUNG PEOPLE

Services in operation:



1

Mobile maternity unit



22

Sexual and reproductive health (SRH) mobile clinics

| Type of service | Reporting period* | Since March 2022 |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Women and girls who have accessed SRH services from mobile clinics or mobile maternity units | 6,287 | 22,846 |
| Women who have received dignity kits and essential packs | - | 33,804 |
| Inter-agency reproductive health kits delivered to maternity hospitals | - | 104 tons |

UNFPA UKRAINE FUNDING STATUS (AS OF 28 FEBRUARY)

- In 2023, UNFPA Ukraine launched its emergency appeal for US\$70.1 million. The appeal seeks to provide life-saving sexual and reproductive health and GBV prevention and response services to address the needs of women and girls in Ukraine.
- As of 28 February, the UNFPA Appeal for Ukraine was 39 percent funded, which includes funds committed for ongoing projects starting in 2022. This includes support from the USAID's Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance (BHA), Australia, the United Kingdom, France, Norway, Korea, Denmark, Spain, Finland, Belgium, the EU (DG-ECHO, DG-NEAR), CERF, Netherlands, Ireland, OCHA-Ukraine Humanitarian Fund, Japan, Sweden, Canada, Iceland, Estonia, Czech Republic, the UN Partnership to Promote the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNPRPD) and Portugal.
- UNFPA is grateful to our donors for contributing to our core resources. Core funding ensures that programmes are delivered in a predictable and sustainable manner and give the organisation the flexibility to redeploy resources to humanitarian actions whenever needed.

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INTER-AGENCY COORDINATION

Sexual, Reproductive, Maternal and Child Health Technical Working Group (SRMCH TWG)

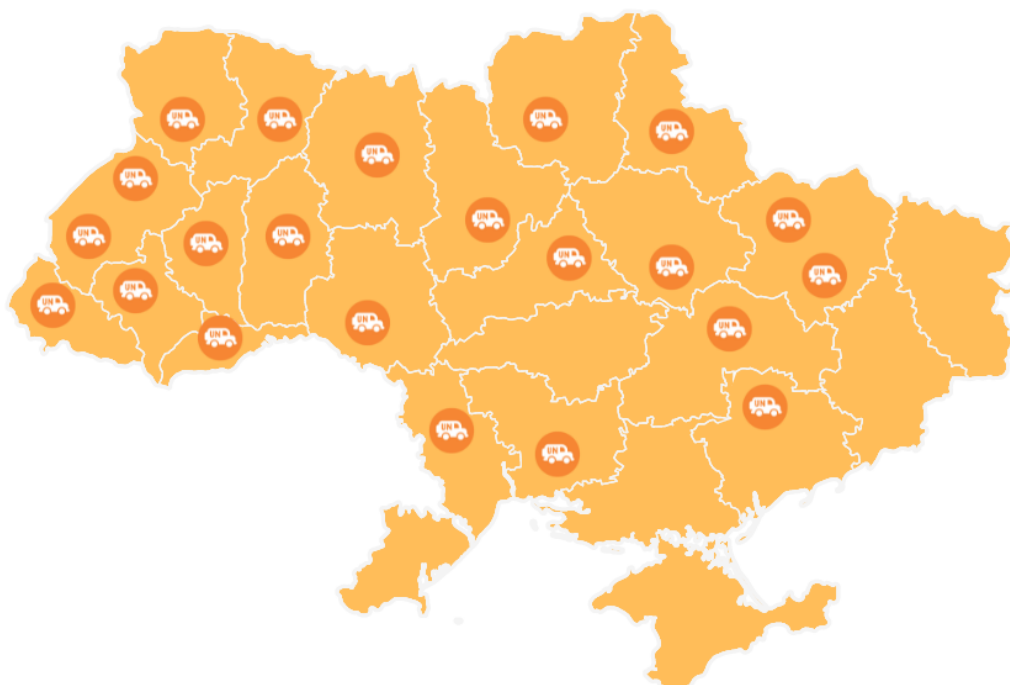
UNFPA conducted a visit to Cherkasy oblast:

- A SRH mobile clinic in Moryntsi village. The village does not have any public transportation connection with rayon or regional hospitals, making it challenging for the elderly population to access healthcare services. The mobile clinic provides a vital service, ensuring that people can access healthcare services that would otherwise be difficult to obtain.
- The Cherkasy City Maternity Hospital, which received 1.5 tons of reproductive health supplies, personal protective equipment (PPE), pharmaceuticals, and 410 dignity kits. The visit aimed to evaluate the implementation of the programme and to identify areas for improvement.

During the visit, there was also a meeting with the UNFPA's PSS mobile team psychologist and social worker to discuss the overall gender based violence response in Cherkasy oblast. The mobile team representatives stressed the importance of specialised service delivery points in Cherkasy to address the gap in the GBV referral system.

- In February 2023, **SRH TWG and Clinical Management of Rape (CMR) Sub-Working Group met** to discuss with partner organizations the checklist of requirements for providing quality clinical care for survivors of rape and intimate partner violence for service delivery points.
- One more **SRH mobile team started operation in Sumy oblast**, located in the Regional Perinatal Center and covering the entire territory of the Sumy region, as well as areas previously occupied.

SRH MOBILE CLINICS OPERATIONAL MAP:



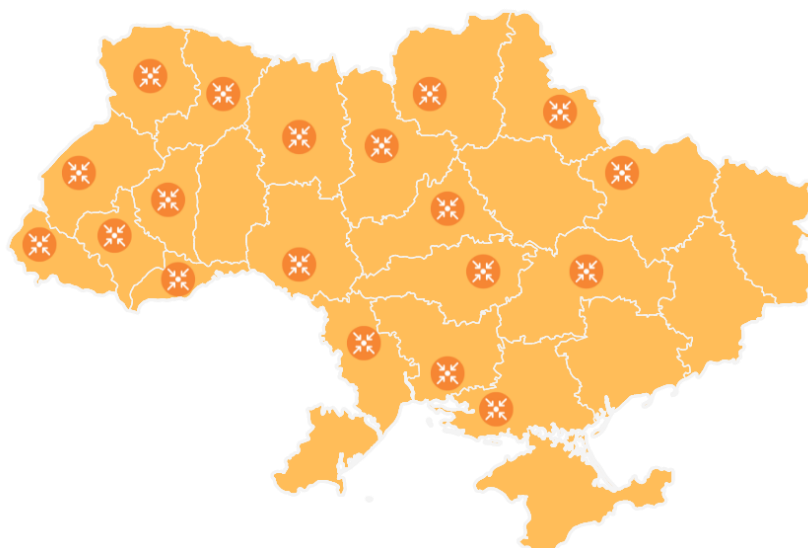
Volyn, Lviv, Zakarpattia,
Rivne, Ivano-Frankivsk,
Chernivtsi, Ternopil,
Khmelnyskyi, Rivne,
Zhytomyr, Vinnytsia,
Odesa, Mykolaiv, Cherkasy,
Kyiv, Chernihiv, Sumy,
Kharkiv, Poltava and
Zaporizhzhia Oblasts.

INTER-AGENCY COORDINATION

Gender-Based Violence Sub-Cluster (GBV SC)

- The drive for strengthened protection of women and girls, and the development of a shared safety audit tool were the primary focus of a recent **thematic meeting on GBV risk mitigation in collective centres**. During the meeting, partner organizations collectively agreed to conduct audits to identify where it is most relevant to intervene and strengthen the protection of women and girls. Additionally, partners discussed ways to provide access to GBV Essential Services, re-establish GBV referral pathways for handling cases at collective centres, and share information on GBV risks and available support. Moving forward, the focus will be on providing GBV prevention and response services for women and girls in collective centres.
- **During the meeting of Working Group on Needs of Male Survivors of Sexual Violence** GBV SC partner organizations agreed to conduct several activities to provide special focus on male survivors of conflict-related sexual violence (CRSV). These activities include the creation of a dedicated repository for members to share tools on identifying and documenting barriers to male survivors' access and utilization of existing services, as well as assessing the quality of existing services and care that serve male survivors.
- **The National monthly GBV Sub-Cluster coordination meeting was held on February 23.** Participants discussed GBV SC structure and re-registration outcomes and called for expressions of interest to co-chair the GBV SC working groups. Also, there was a fruitful discussion on data/interactive map on GBV/PSS/SRH Mobile Teams, and UNFPA GBViE field response interventions in 2023.
- **Training on 2023 GBV Sub Cluster activities/indicators and Activity info reporting** system was provided for 69 GBV partners in English and Ukrainian languages.
- In February 2023, the **regional meetings for the coordination of humanitarian GBV response** were organised in Chernihiv, Chernivtsi, Ternopil, Volyn, Vinnytsia, Lviv, Sumy, Khmelnytskyi, Kyiv, Zhytomyr and Zaporizhzhya Oblasts. The meetings were organised in close cooperation with regional authorities and departments authorized to coordinate GBV response in their areas. GBV safety audits in collective centers were the main issues discussed during the meetings. Regional work plans were discussed and it was agreed to include information about available GBV services in the referral

REGIONAL WORKING GROUPS ON COORDINATION OF HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE :



Rivne, Volyn,
Dnipropetrovsk,
Chernihiv, Vinnytsia,
Kherson, Ivano-Frankivsk,
Kyiv, Cherkasy, Odesa,
Zhytomyr, Chernivtsi,
Zakarpattia, Lviv, Kharkiv,
Kirovograd, Mykolaiv,
Ternopil, and Sumy Oblasts.

LATEST NEWS FROM UNFPA IN UKRAINE

- One year on from Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine, UNFPA, the United Nations sexual and reproductive health agency, warns of the war's continuing devastating impacts on women and girls. Attacks on hospitals, roads and energy infrastructure have caused widespread blackouts and disrupted basic services in Ukraine. Around 195,000 women gave birth in Ukraine in 2022 amid the chaos of war. Many expectant mothers have been forced to give birth in basements and bomb shelters in dire conditions. For thousands of pregnant women without access to essential services, childbirth is now fraught with added danger. [UNFPA's work in Ukraine ensures that women and girls can access life-saving services.](#)

- A joint convoy of UNFPA, UNHCR, OCHA, and World Food Programme of six trucks delivered essential aid to Verlykyi Burluk, Kharkiv oblast on February 22. The assistance included dignity kits, hygiene kits, food and directly reached affected people.



- [The Government of Japan contributes US\\$ 1.2 million to sustain the provision of essential sexual and reproductive health services and supplies to women and girls in Ukraine.](#) This contribution will provide 24 maternity hospitals with a steady, regular supply of essential, comprehensive reproductive health commodities, beyond the current provision of Inter-Agency Reproductive Health kits (IARH). Commodities include antibiotics; suture materials; anticoagulants, haemostatic, and uterotonics; PPE; and other disposable goods. This one-year project aims to provide a cost-effective SRH response and reach out to more women and girls, by filling specific gaps, ensuring the sustainability of interventions and strengthening the resilience of the healthcare system.

- UNFPA and Starlight Doc with the support of Denmark and the Republic of Korea presented a **documentary** film dedicated to indomitable Ukrainian women who gave birth to children during the war. "Lust for life" is the real-life story of three Ukrainian women who became mothers amidst the war. Anna, with her 2-month-old baby, ended up in a bunker in the Azovstal Plant, in Mariupol. Maryana, a medical captain in the UAF, was captured by Russian soldiers in Mariupol and spent 6 months in captivity while pregnant. Ania, a mother of two from Izyum, Kharkiv region, gave birth in the city during occupation – without electricity, water, with limited health care, and under constant shelling. The documentary is dedicated to the strength of Ukrainian women and these three real-life heroes. Despite the complexity of their conditions, their personal stories remind us that light will overcome darkness, and life will overcome the horrors of war. Watch the [trailer](#).

