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YEAR OF BRAVERY



Ukrainian American House
efforts in response to the war in Ukraine



Vlad Skots

Founder and CEO of UA House

A whole year of the full-scale war in Ukraine has passed by. What did you know about Ukraine and the war at the beginning of 2022? We usually learn about the scale of wars in the world from school textbooks, living stories of survivors, or Hollywood blockbusters. But surely none of us could have imagined that in the very center of developed and modern Europe, in the 21st century, an actual great war would begin, and people worldwide would have to witness it.

Now you know a lot more about the war and Ukraine.

You know the map of Ukraine and where the fiercest battles have happened and continue to happen.

You know the worth of military aid the United States provided to Ukraine this year.

You now know for sure what the difference is between tactical and strategic nuclear weapons.

According to official statistics, it is reported that 6,755 people in Ukraine have died because of the war — 424 of them children. Another 10,607 have been injured, 781 of which are kids. Another 13,000 children were forcibly displaced to Russia, and we do not know if they are still alive. This is a war against life. The fight against the future and prosperity of the whole country. This is the genocide of the Ukrainian nation once again by Russia.



Roman Sheremeta

Co-Chair of UA House

February 24th marks a year since Ukraine was invaded by Russia. This year was a very difficult year for all Ukrainians. A year was stolen from us, but no one could steal our freedom.

Throughout this year, we learned very important lessons: we learned to live here and now, and to appreciate every moment; we learned to see without light and to stay warm without heat; we learned the importance of having reliable friends and we definitely learned who are our enemies; we learned the power of language, music and traditions; we learned to be strong and to dream big. The world calls Ukrainians unbreakable, but we just want to live in our free country and raise our children under a peaceful sky.

Advisory Board



Kurt Volker

U.S. Ambassador to NATO, Former United States Special Representative for Ukraine Negotiations

We want to see Ukraine be a successful, prosperous, and secure democracy. We want to see Ukraine develop as a country. We want to see the best possible opportunities for the Ukrainian people. We've been providing assistance to Ukraine in a number of ways and we will all continue that. And we'll all urge Ukraine to do its share as well, in the spirit of reform and fighting corruption to create the conditions for that kind of prosperity in Ukraine. And to the degree that Ukraine as a whole is successful as a country, that is also going to facilitate long-term resolution of the conflict.



Morgan Williams

President & CEO of the U.S.-Ukraine Business Council

The U.S-Ukraine Business Council strongly condemns the Russian invasion of its peaceful and sovereign neighbour. We are horrified by the atrocities being committed by the Russian forces. We are shocked to see this major threat to freedom, democracy and stability in Europe. It's a frontline attack on European security. The members of the Council strongly are supporting Ukraine and its heroic people.



David Baldwin

California National Guard's 46th Adjutant General

The Ukrainians are proud people. They are very tough. They are good fighters. They're very patriotic and loyal to their country, and they are going to fight to the bitter end. We are so proud of them, and the fight that they're putting up is going to the annals of history as one of the most impressive stands in the face of illegal aggression.



Dmytro Kushneruk

Consul General of Ukraine in San Francisco

I urge all of you not to get tired of this war, not to be indifferent, not to take a position of neutrality. Be open and strong in your support, because to win this war, to protect our independence, we need help with weapons, with stronger economic sanctions and humanitarian and sometimes financial help — and Ukrainians, Ukrainian people, will do the rest. We'll protect Europe. We'll protect freedom in the whole world. What we Ukrainians need the most is peace, and we pray for peace to come to Ukraine as soon as possible, and we ask you to pray, too.

PROJECTS

Food for Families Living Near the Frontline



About 1 million Ukrainians living in war zones are experiencing food shortages, and thousands of families don't have the opportunity to feed themselves and their families adequately. The issue is very few organizations that provide humanitarian assistance to Ukraine are ready to take all the aid to settlements near the front line. To provide sufficient help, UA House decided to create a team of drivers and volunteers prepared to deliver food bags to people in dangerous conflict areas. By the end of this year, we were able to distribute 10,000 food packages to families in need.

Due to financial and logistic difficulties, people rely on help from the state and various humanitarian organizations. The issue is still relevant. We plan to expand our mission in 2023 and continue to support the work of volunteer groups that will deliver food packages to those regions where people are in dire need of support.



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4
trucks



90,000 kg
of food



10,000
food kit



28,855
people received aid





Personal Protective Equipment

With the outbreak of war in Ukraine, many civilians alongside the military perform vital activities such as providing medical care, highlighting events in the press, maintaining order, and many other crucial processes without which victory wouldn't be possible.



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For those civilians who need to carry out their job in the warzone, it is necessary to have enough ballistic helmets and vests to stay alive under constant fire. Our primary goal is to save as many Ukrainian people as possible. For this purpose, UA House is collaborating with the California National Guard and local Police Departments to collect and deliver various body armor for doctors, volunteers, journalists, and police so they can continue their activity in such dangerous conditions.



~ 450,000\$ worth





Water Supply for Mykolayiv

In cities experiencing constant attacks and raging war, there is limited or no access to clean drinking water. During the first few weeks of the attacks, Russians strategically targeted and destroyed water systems. UA has undertaken an effort to finance the production and installation of water purification systems. UA House partnered with Water Mission to fund and install automated water treatment systems in Mykolayiv that will produce up to 4,300 gallons of clean water per hour and create access for twenty thousand people per system.



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The situation with clean drinking water in Mykolaiv remains complicated. We will continue to contact the city administration, religious communities, and humanitarian organizations to respond to urgent needs quickly. In 2023, we want to finance the drilling and installation of several more water purification stations, which will significantly help people survive in difficult conditions.



2
purifying water
systems were
installed



\$13,000
cost of each
system



39,000
litres of clean
water per day



BleedStop

Thousands of people are injured every day due to shelling and bullet wounds. Medical remedies that can quickly stop bleeding are vital for doctors, volunteers, soldiers, and citizens in war zone.



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UA House purchased a special powder BleedStop that immediately stops bleeding and disinfects wounds. Several thousands of BleedStop packages were sent to the operational command "West". During wartime, innovations in medicine save lives. We plan to expand our partnership with the American company that produces this powder. Next year, we plan to raise funds to purchase and deliver 50,000 more blood-stopping packages to Ukraine.



23,364
pouches



\$700,920
worth

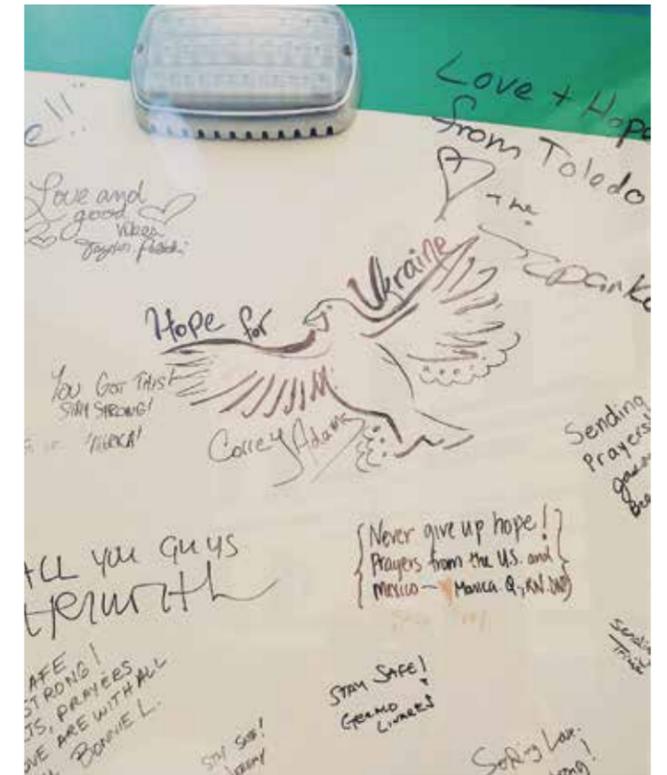


Ambulances for the Warzone



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The emergency, rapid and timely medical response is critically needed in the frontline zones in Ukraine. The lack of readily available ambulances in the war zone is critical. Every day there are hundreds of injured civilians and even more injured soldiers. UA House was working with OSF Health and UMANA to find available mobile medical hospitals in the United States for donation to Ukraine. We were able to deliver 10 ambulances to the war zones, and they are serving on the frontline saving lives.



We hope to expand cooperation in delivering more vital ambulances with our American partners and believe that we will be able to provide hospitals and the military with these powerful vehicles that help save lives. We are aiming to deliver about 20 more ambulances next year.



28
ambulances



\$1,5million
worth of all ambulances



\$6000
cost of shipping one ambulance



Supporting Okhmatdyt Children's Hospital

The largest children's hospital in Ukraine, which activity is critically important during wartime, requires different supplies to treat children and adults from all over the country. We provided the Okhmatdyt Children's Hospital with 11 B Braun Perfusor syringe pumps during our ongoing cooperation.



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These infusion pumps can deliver fluids in controlled amounts and are used to provide nutrients or medications – such as insulin or other hormones, antibiotics, chemotherapy drugs, and pain relievers. The cost of each system is up to \$4,000. They are already in the caring hands of doctors and nurses and save the patients' lives.



11
infusion pumps



\$30,000
project total



20,000
children annually are treated in Okhmatdyt



Medical Supplies

Thanks to joint efforts with our partners, we were able to collect and send around 30 tons of medical cargo to Ukraine. With the beginning of hostilities all over the country, medical supplies took one of the first places among the humanitarian needs of the population, hospitals and the military. We sent multiple cargos to Ukraine with bleed-stopping powder, tourniquets, IFAKs, surgery kits and much more.



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3 full loaded containers of medicine



30 tons



8 hospitals in Ukraine got assistance

Supporting Humanitarian Aid Hub "Little Mariupol" in Dnipro



The Humanitarian Hub in Dnipro was created for the internally displaced persons (IDPs) from Mariupol who have been living in Dnipro since last March. A group of volunteers from Mariupol launched a hub and a community center through which people support each other in these challenging times. The former provides food, medicines, baby supplies, and other essentials at no cost naturally. We have been supporting this hub from its very first steps by gathering funds here in the US from concerned individuals and partners.



With our most recent transfer, the "Little Mariupol" can prepare for cold times and buy necessary generators, stoves for heating the rooms, sleeping bags, portable gas stoves and fuel.



Save Ukraine - LifePack for Kids Affected by the War



The most vulnerable category of Ukrainians that need our help is children, especially orphans. They don't have parents to care for them. It is crucial to evacuate them from the most dangerous areas where ground fighting occurs or the threat of air raids is high.



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Every 6 hours
1 child dies from the war



77,500
children and families were rescued by Save Ukraine



The UA House is actively supporting Ukrainian NGO "Save Ukraine", that focuses on saving Ukrainian orphan children.

Save Ukraine has a big project called LifePack, that is aimed to provide kids with the essentials they don't have access to. LifePack is a backpack with essentials for children in Ukraine affected by the war.

LifePack has several purposes. The first is to provide children with access to basic survival necessities - water, non-perishable food, flashlights, hygiene kits, power banks, etc. Another important goal is to prevent the child's psychological trauma caused by the war. Save Ukraine ensures that every backpack will contain things for survival together with such comfortable stuff for children as toys, literature, coloring books, and much more.

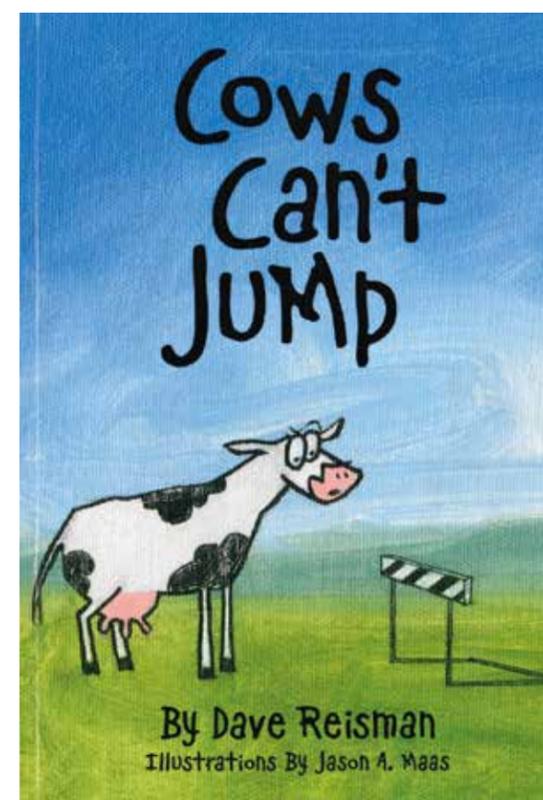
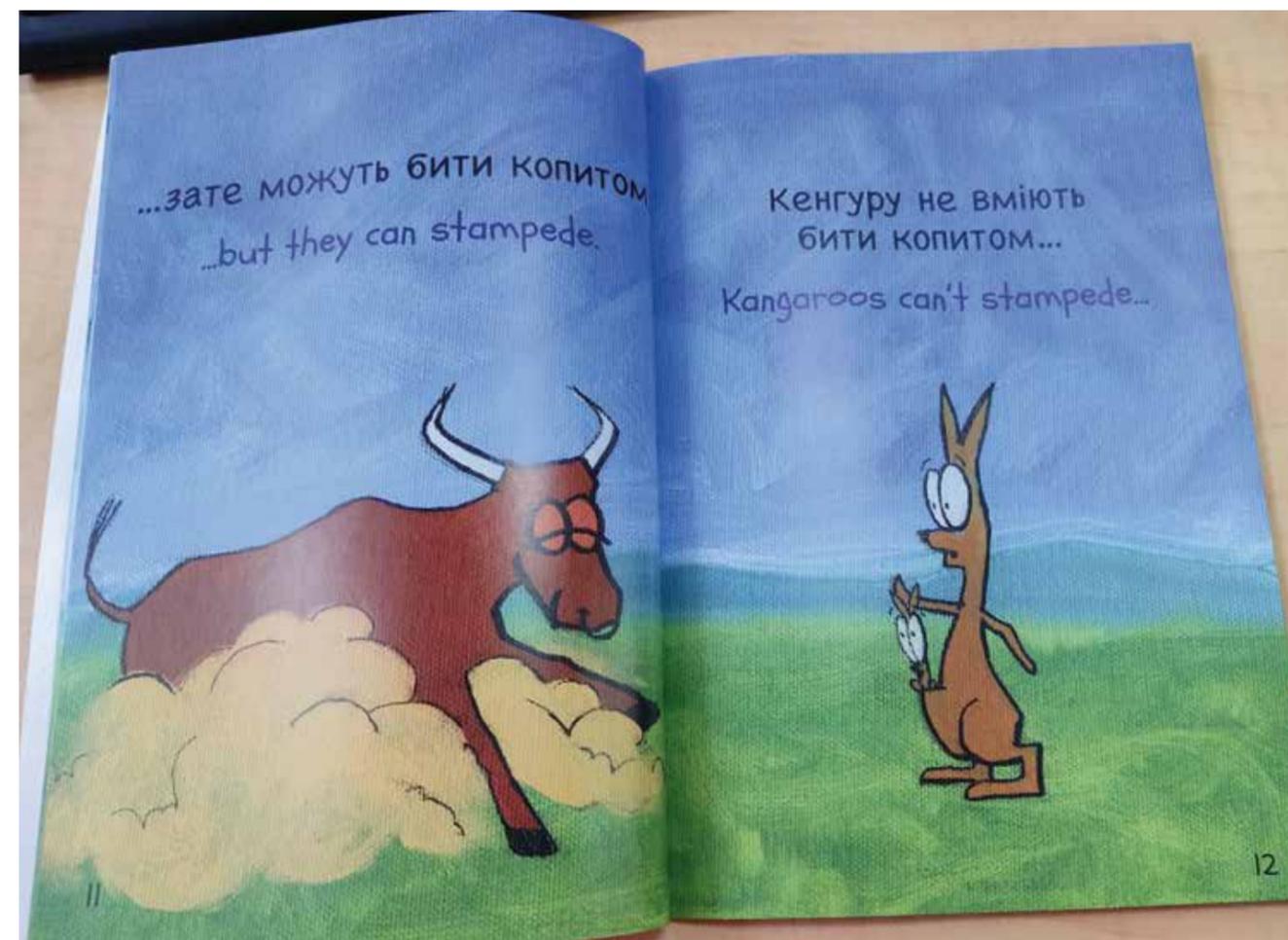


Children's Books for the LifePack

The UA House partnered with the Jumping Cow Press, which publishes children's books, to provide Save Ukraine with 17,600 copies of Dave Reisman's bilingual book "Cows Can't Jump" ("Корови не вміють скакати") to include these books to the LifePack. The book is perfect for little kids; it is written in simple language and has many pretty illustrations. It's written in 2 languages, English and Ukrainian so that kids can learn English with fun.



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JUMPING COW PRESS
Picture Books for Young Listeners & Readers

Children should not lose their childhood and stop enjoying the little things. We must do everything possible to save the growing generation of Ukrainians, preserve their mental health and, despite Russia's brutal aggression towards Ukraine, not lose their childhood.



17,600
copies of bilingual
children's book



500
kids every week will
receive a LifePack



Community Event ParaSOLka



Almost 20 thousand Ukrainian people fled from war to the US this year, and many refugees settled in California, especially in the Sacramento area. Now Sacramento is known to have the biggest Ukrainian community in the state.

UA House has developed the ParaSOLka project intending to provide new immigrants from Ukraine and the surrounding countries a place to socialize and get various forms of assistance. "Parasolka", which translates to "Umbrella" in English, was purposely chosen as it symbolizes safety, aid in tough times, and unity. Since its inception, ParaSOLka has held 60 community events and served approximately 15,000 individuals.



60
events



15,000
Ukrainian refugees served



Resettlement Services

Our mission is to protect the rights and meet the needs of individuals who are in forced or voluntary immigration to California. We help immigrants, refugees, and long-term residents of the United States live a life of dignity with respect and protection of their rights. UA House, in cooperation with partners, provides important services to migrants and refugees to help them become self-sufficient and more easily adapt to a new life.



We offer the following services:

- Consultations and assistance in obtaining governmental benefits;
- Assistance in obtaining health insurance and navigating through the complex health care system;
- Assistance in filling out immigration legal documents;
- English language (ESL) courses;
- Assistance in employment;
- Assistance in housing.



Welcome.US

Sponsors Hub

Ukrainian American House has partnered with Welcome.us to launch a Sponsor Hub for Americans who want to support Ukrainian families. UA House creates a Sponsor Hub to support Americans as they welcome Ukrainian newcomers under the "United 4 Ukraine" program. This important resource and assistant hub is based on our ParaSOLka project with a partnership with Alight



Right now, sponsorship is the most impactful way Americans can help welcome Ukrainian families, but it can be complex. Sponsors are crucial for the successful resettlement of families fleeing Russia's war in Ukraine, and scaling up resources for them is of utmost importance. We are glad to collaborate with Welcome.Us and Alight to best welcome the newcomers.



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February 24th

Ukraine Peace Demonstration

On February 24 morning, Russian forces unleashed a terrifying air and land assault on Ukraine. In response to this unprovoked cruelty, hundreds gathered to support the Ukrainian-American community and Ukrainian residents in Sacramento near the State Capitol. Demonstrators rallied in solidarity at the Capitol, hoping and praying that the conflict with Russia would end; many attendees expressed fear for friends and family in the war-torn country 6,000 miles away. People were holding and waving signs saying “Stop War”, “Stop Putin”, and “Stand with Ukraine”. Altogether, they prayed for peace and the end of a horrific war.

February 28th

Prayer Breakfast

Ukrainian American House, together with the Spring of Life, a Ukrainian Baptist Church, gathered hundreds of Ukrainian immigrants and refugees to sing, pray, and comfort one another as their country is consumed by war. Saturday’s event also drew the local community and US officials: Sacramento Mayor Darrell Steinberg, U.S. Sen. Alex Padilla, and several state Assembly and Senate members.



March 6th

California Rally at the State Capitol

The Ukrainian American House organized the demonstration and gathered the community of the Sacramento area that shares the same values and believes that the war provoked by Russia needs to stop.



The UAHouse-sponsored event brought together at the stairs of the State Capitol lawmakers, military leaders, community members, and all walks of life to focus on the conflict invading every corner of Ukraine. The US high-rank officials attended the Rally in a show of bi-partisan support for Ukraine. Assemblyman Kevin Kiley, Asm. Ken Cooley, Asm. Kevin McCarty, Asm. Jim Cooper and state Senator Jim Nielsen bound hands for a photo on the steps of the Capitol.



August 26th

Prayer Breakfast

UA House united Church, Business, and Community leaders together in prayer for Ukraine. The Ukrainian American Prayer Breakfast was dedicated to the Independence Day of Ukraine. We were honored to welcome our special guests, who addressed the audience with powerful and touching speeches. Talented performers delighted us with beautiful songs in Ukrainian.



August 31th

Independence Day Banquet

The Ukrainian Independence Day Banquet was hosted by the UA House and Consulate General of Ukraine in San Francisco. This memorable event occurred at The Sutter Club in the heart of Sacramento.



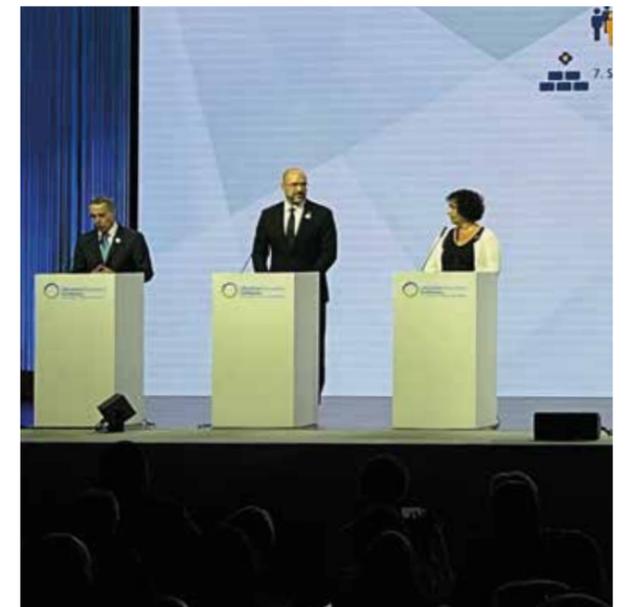
The event was held to network, share our new projects, and express gratitude to our partners supporting our mission. US government officials, business people, and community leaders visited our banquet to express their concern about the situation in Ukraine and show support.



Ukraine Recovery Conference

A Ukraine Recovery Conference in Lugano gathered experts from around the world to discuss a plan to rebuild Ukraine.

Our co-chair Roman Sheremeta was invited to this important event. The delegation has agreed on the number of principles on which the reconstruction of Ukraine will be based. They called it the Lugano Declaration. These principles include: partnership, focus on reforms, transparency, accountability, the rule of law, democratic participation, multi-stakeholder engagement, equality, and sustainability.



September 15th

The Global Ukraine Foundation Forum

The UA House had a chance to introduce our activity to the audience of investors and philanthropists at the TGUF meeting. On Sept 15th, at the Ukrainian Institute of America in Fletcher-Sinclair mansion in New York City. Our co-chair Roman Sheremeta shared with the audience of investors and philanthropists about the partnership between the Global Ukraine Foundation and UA House and for introducing attendees to our ongoing projects.

The event's purpose was to support Ukrainian entrepreneurs & provide humanitarian aid to Ukraine. A meetup gathered community leaders, founders, active investors, and executives for a day of networking and direct support of Ukraine. A leading expert in U.S. foreign and national security policy and UA House Advisory Board member Kurt Volker was one of the speakers at this event.



August 17th

National Multisubject Testing



For the first time ever, Ukrainian high-school graduates could take the Ukrainian National Test outside their home country. The UA House was honored to host the examination in Sacramento by providing a venue for the Temporary Test Center and the necessary technical support.

Together with our partners Consulate General of Ukraine in San Francisco, the Leleka Foundation, Heritage School of Ukrainian Studies, we organized a comfortable and safe environment for students displaced to the USA due to the war.

Our priority was to make students and their parents feel like home, even so far away.



Thanksgiving Celebration for Ukrainian Refugees

On November 26th, 2022, we arranged the celebration of Thanksgiving for Ukrainian refugees! UA House, jointly with SOL Church, hosted a Friendsgiving event for the huge Ukrainian community in Sacramento. For many of our guests, it was the First Thanksgiving in the US, and we were excited to welcome them. For our project ParaSOLka, it was crucial to create an event where Ukrainian refugee and immigrant families could enjoy the celebration atmosphere.

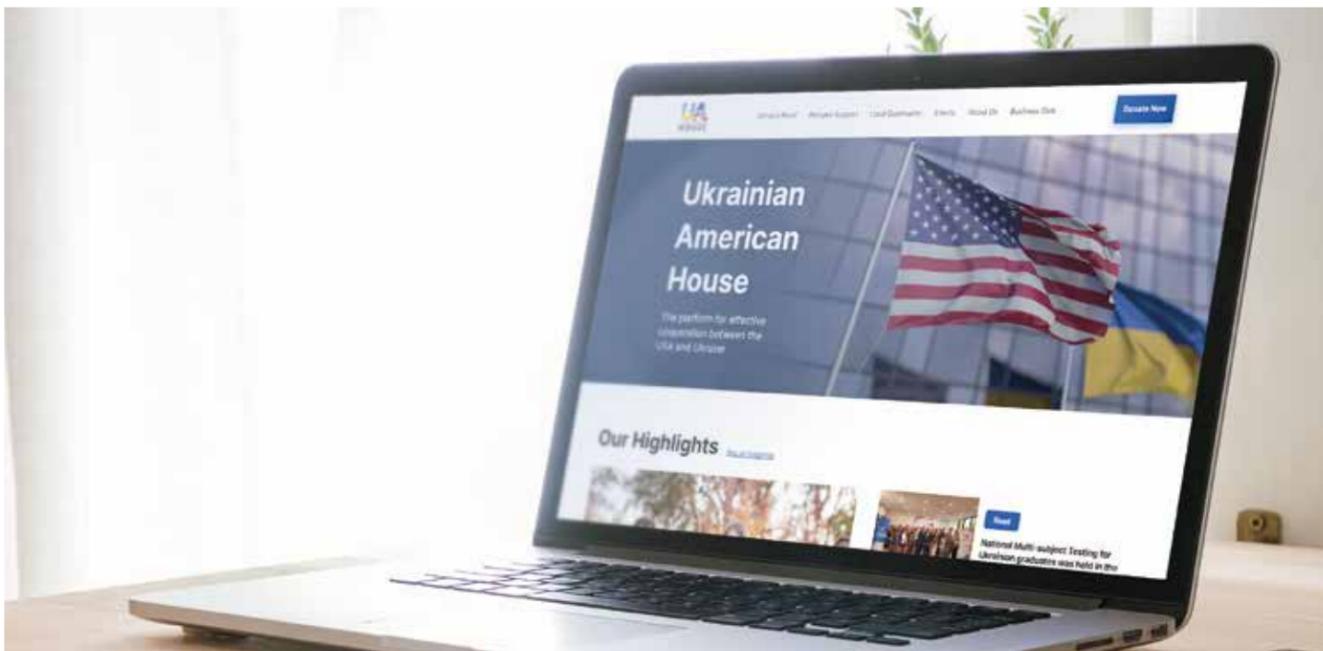


The event gathered more than 400 people at the SOL Church, and it was a pleasure to share the holiday spirit by serving complimentary food and drinks, singing songs, and uniting in prayer for the future of Ukraine.





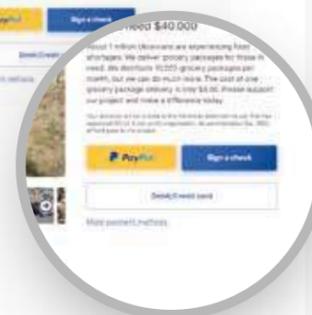
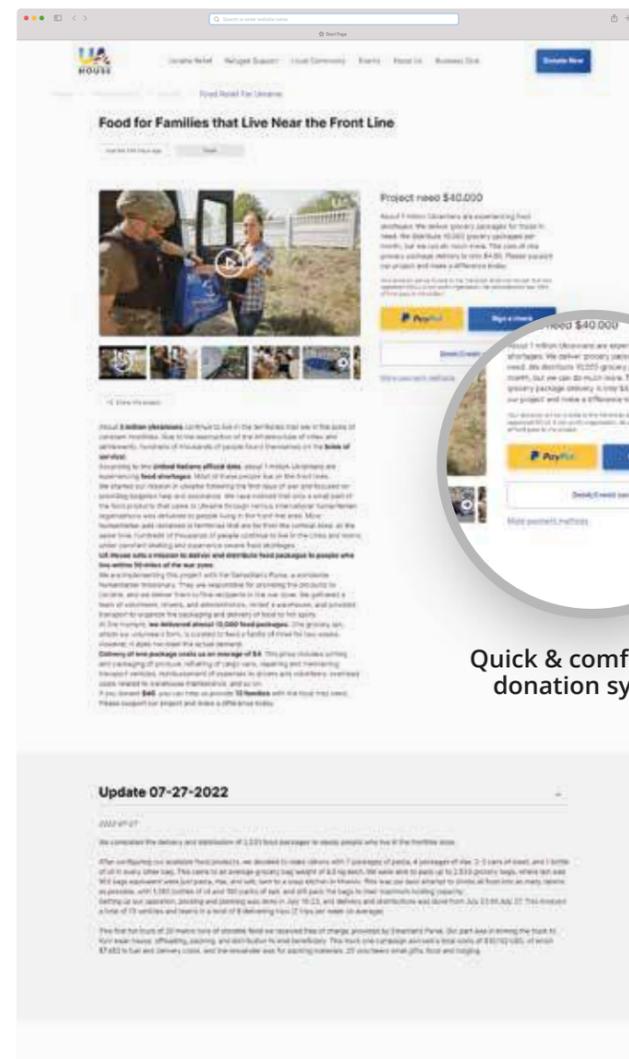
New Website



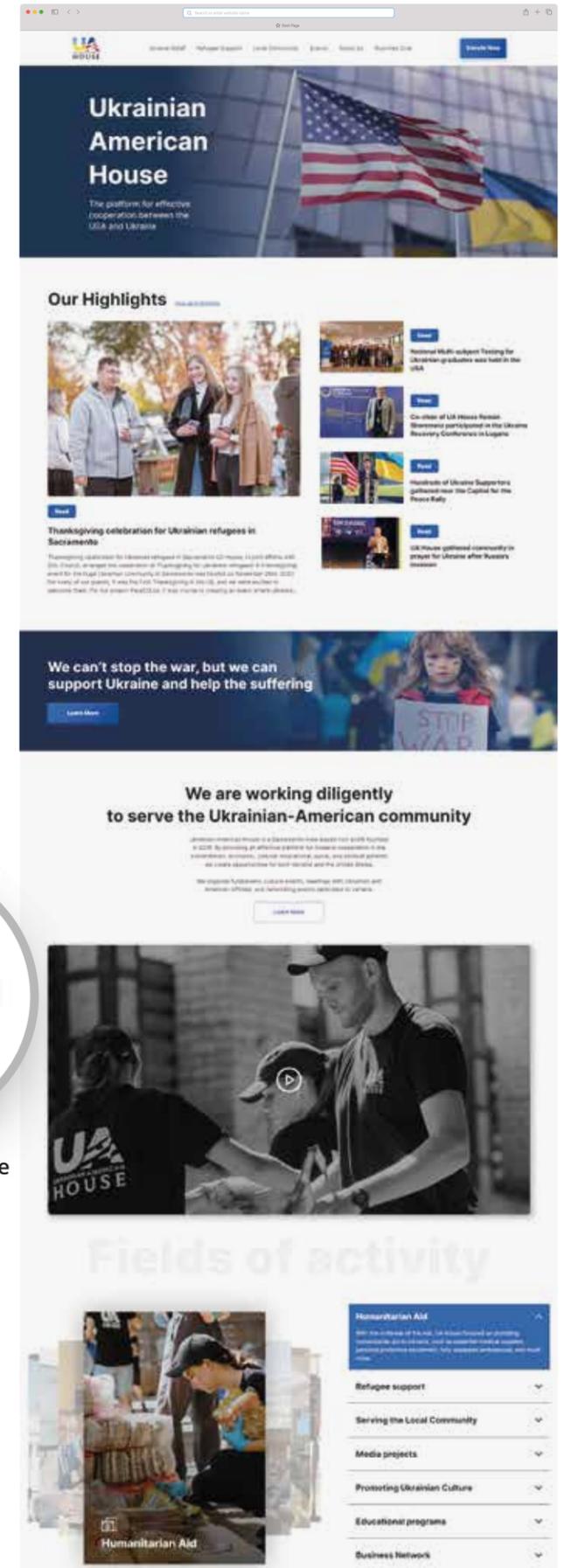
We launched a new website in the year 2022. The website pages needed a redesign to reflect the organization's current activities. The new pages are more modern and structured, and we constantly update the information on the website to keep it actual. Updates for projects, financial statistics, event announcements, applications for requests for help - the functionality is broad. Also, we started a special heading, Publications, so the visitors can always learn more and be involved in our performance by reading interesting articles.



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Quotes

INSIDE THE WAR

Media Project

This year Ukrainian American House presented a series of video reports from Ukraine as an Inside the War media project. We created this project to cover the events of the war in Ukraine for a wide audience.



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Youtube channel



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Social Media activity

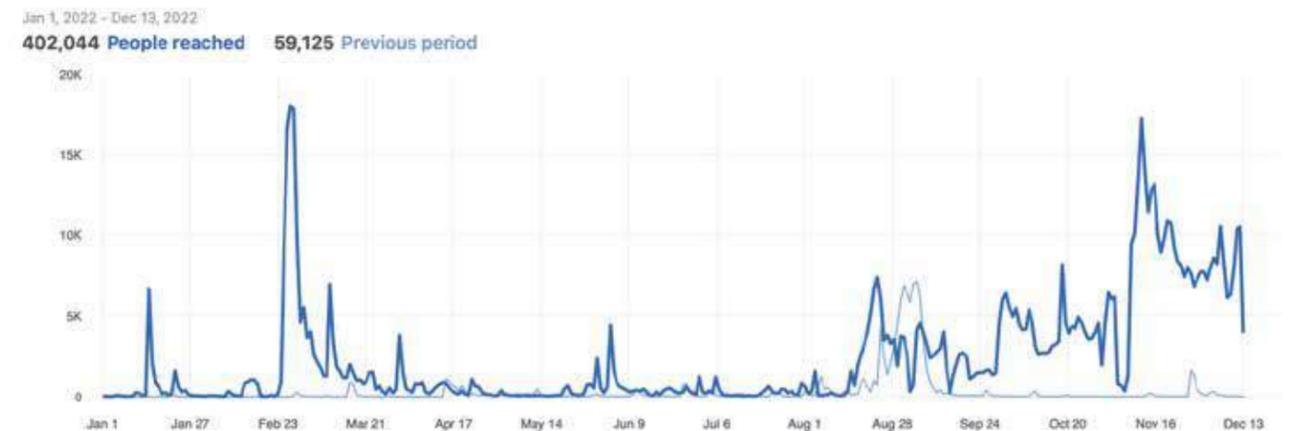
We started sharing content regularly with our subscribers on various platforms:

- Facebook
- LinkedIn
- Instagram
- Twitter
- TikTok

We were able to grow our audience and reach out to more people concerned about the Ukraine situation. On Facebook, our audience has reached 22,000 subscribers and continues growing.



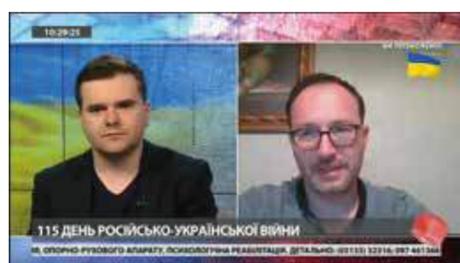
Indicator	2021 year	2022 year	
Coverage Reactions	59,200	400,100	▲ 557%
New subscribers	146	19,258	▲ 11,844%
Interaction	8,200	126,100	▲ 1,449%
Comments	220	4,149	▲ 1,885%
Reposts	402	3,239	▲ 805%
Reactions	3,056	61,445	▲ 2,010%



UA House in the Media

This year we actively engaged local media outlets in our ongoing activities and projects. Many TV channels visited our events and recorded interviews with event participants and the UA House team. Our Chair Vlad Skots and co-chair Roman Sheremeta made a lot of appearances to the media throughout the year. Such channels as ABC10, KCRA, CBS, and others covered our activity. Besides video appearances in the news, many publications were also posted online.

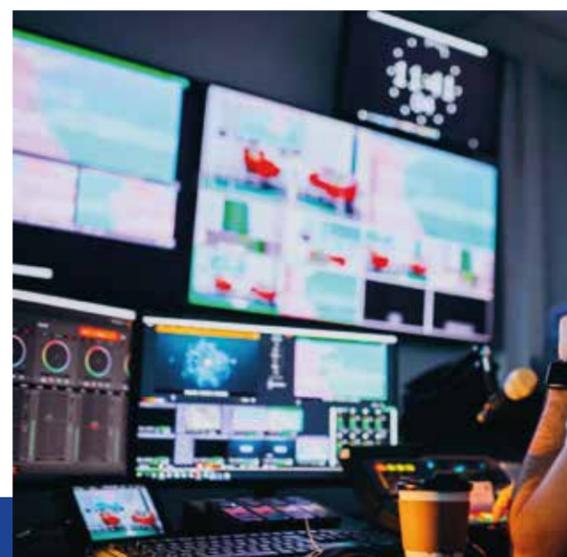
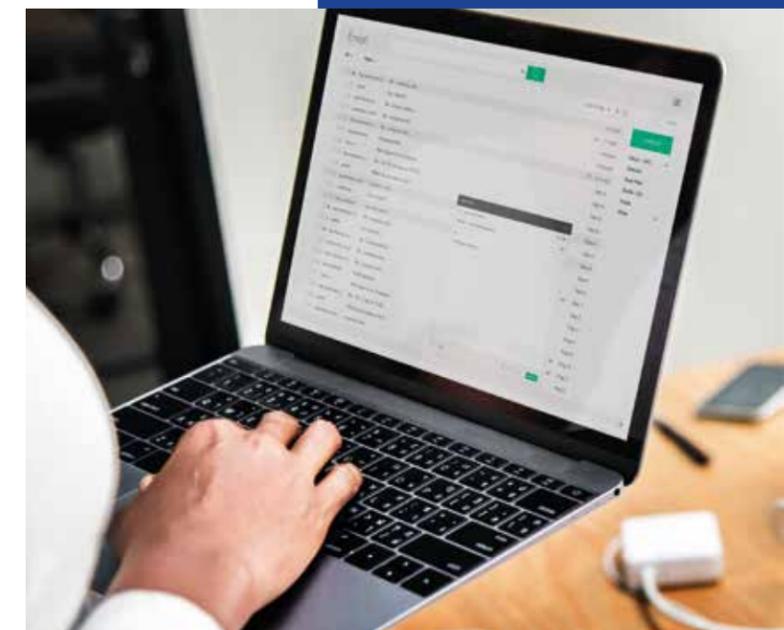
 **~10million**
audience outreach



Weekly E-mail updates

In 2022, we started using mailing services for email distribution for our donors, event visitors, and subscribers.

Automated email distribution is an efficient way to communicate directly with the audience, present our new projects, share photos from joint events, and much more.



Broadcasting from Video Studio

UA House now has its own video studio! In the year 2022, we practiced filming interviews with partners, Q&A, and other formats. In 2023 we plan to use the studio more, start streaming, and interact with our audience live, answering their questions, and inviting specialists and experts to provide expert opinions and advice.





July 6th **Meeting the Administration of the city of Odessa**

As part of the humanitarian mission to Ukraine, the co-chair of Ukrainian American House, Roman Sheremeta, held several meetings with the leadership of the Odesa region, the Department of the National Police in the Odesa region.



July 6th **Meeting with Mayor of Lviv Andrii Sadovyi**

With his humanitarian visit to Ukraine, our co-chair Roman Sheremeta held a meeting with the mayor of the city of Lviv, which has the most significant number of internally displaced people in Ukraine. Mayor Andriy Sadovyi spoke about the initiative to build a rehabilitation center for Ukrainian military personnel and offered UA House to act as a partner in the United States to raise funds for the construction of this complex. Andriy Sadovyi also demonstrated a mobile town where refugees from the east and south of Ukraine will be resettled. Mayor Andriy Sadovyi spoke about the initiative to build a rehabilitation center for Ukrainian military personnel and offered UAhouse to act as a partner in the United States to raise funds for



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July 7th
Meeting with Mayor of Kyiv Vitalii Klitschko

Vitaliy Klitschko, the mayor of Ukraine's capital city, met with Roman Sheremeta to discuss the plan of cooperation in the humanitarian sphere between the Administration of Kyiv and UA House. Vitaliy Klitschko started the charity organization "Anti-Crisis Center in Kyiv", which became a reliable partner of UAHouse in distributing medical aid in Ukraine.



Roman Sheremeta visited the cities of Bucha and Irpin, where he saw with his own eyes the terrible consequences of war crimes committed by Russian troops during months of the war.



Meeting with Mayor of Mykolayiv city

During his volunteer humanitarian visit to Ukraine, Roman Sheremeta has also visited Mykolayiv region and met with Mayor of Mykolayiv, Oleksandr Sienkevych.

June 22nd
Round Table at the Ukraine Embassy

Ambassador Markarova Hosted a Business Leaders networking lunch at the Ukraine Embassy in D.C. UA House Chairman Vlad Skots was among those invited.



Together with over 20 business representatives, the Ambassador discussed the critical issues of energy supply, the rough situation in ports, world food security problems, and new business opportunities that always occur during times of turbulence.

June 7th

Vlad Skots' Appeal to the Rotary Club in Sacramento

CEO of Ukrainian American House Vlad Skots made an appearance at the Rotary Club Sacramento. Being a guest speaker at Rotary Club and presenting the UA House was an honor.

Vlad has shared with the dedicated audience the latest information on the war in Ukraine and why it's a global issue when the whole world needs to stand with Ukraine.

Vlad pointed out how Ukraine must get better support from the EU, the United States, and the entire world.



May 25th

Online Conferention with Senator Padilla

UA House had the pleasure of meeting with Senator Alex Padilla and his staff to discuss the work permit crisis the Ukrainian refugees are facing in the U.S. today.



CEO of UA House Vlad Skots called out to the government officials for a more streamlined work permit process for the Ukrainians eager to integrate into our society, similar to the process the Afghani refugees used to receive their work permits within 30 days. Senator Padilla made everyone sure that this task would have a priority in the Senate. We are grateful to Senator Alex Padilla and his staff for taking the time to discuss these urgent matters.

June 2nd

Ukrainian Refugee Round Table with Nancy Pelosi

UA House, one of California's most active representatives of the Ukrainian diaspora, took part in the round table chaired by Nancy Pelosi. Speaker initiated this meeting to support representatives of the Ukrainian community personally and to discuss the situation with the conditions for accepting refugees from Ukraine in the state of California. Vlad Skots, chairman of Ukrainian American House, participated in this event.



September 3rd

Meeting with the State Structures of Ukraine Regarding the Demining Project

The problem of demining territories is very acute in Ukraine. About 185,000 square kilometers are filled with mines and ammo, a significant threat to life.

Ukrainian American House is a platform for cooperation between our American partners Dynamic Pacific and the Ukrainian government: State Emergency Service of Ukraine and the Ministry of Internal Affairs.



The initiator of the meeting was Major General David Baldwin, who led the California National Guard for many years. Now he is actively involved in clearing Ukrainian territories from the mines program. The American company Dynamic Pacific which he represents, plans to significantly help Ukraine clear lands from ammunition and make the lives of Ukrainian citizens safer.



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Denis Nakonechnyi



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