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# WeCare Centers

A NETWORK OF HELP AND HOPE



# Ukrainians leading in crisis

The war has disrupted every part of life in Ukraine. In addition to the millions of refugees who fled to Eastern Europe in the earliest days of the war, hundreds of thousands of Ukrainians have left their homes in battleground areas seeking safety in other parts of the country. These *internally displaced people* (IDPs) are mainly women and children who have few options for housing, employment, schooling, and counseling to help them manage daily living or the spiritual and emotional trauma they are experiencing.

**With leadership from the Ukrainian Baptist Theological Seminary (UBTS), Ukrainians have mobilized resources in their communities to create WeCare Centers.**

Each WeCare Center provides the vital services most needed in the communities where they are located. This includes:

- Food aid
- Medical care
- Workforce training
- Trauma counseling
- Spiritual care
- Schooling and day care

**These centers of help and hope are crucial now to alleviate today's extreme suffering – and will be essential to help restore communities when the war ends.**



## WeCare Centers: a new model for collaboration

WeCare Centers are nonprofit platforms designed for strategic collaboration among churches, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), local governments, and civic agencies that serve Ukrainian society.

Each WeCare Center is led by a trusted and competent local leadership team that includes a Director, Operations Administrator, and Chaplain. They work with many area volunteers, receive ongoing training and mentoring from the UBTS **Institute of Leadership**, and are guided by shared **BMA Values**.

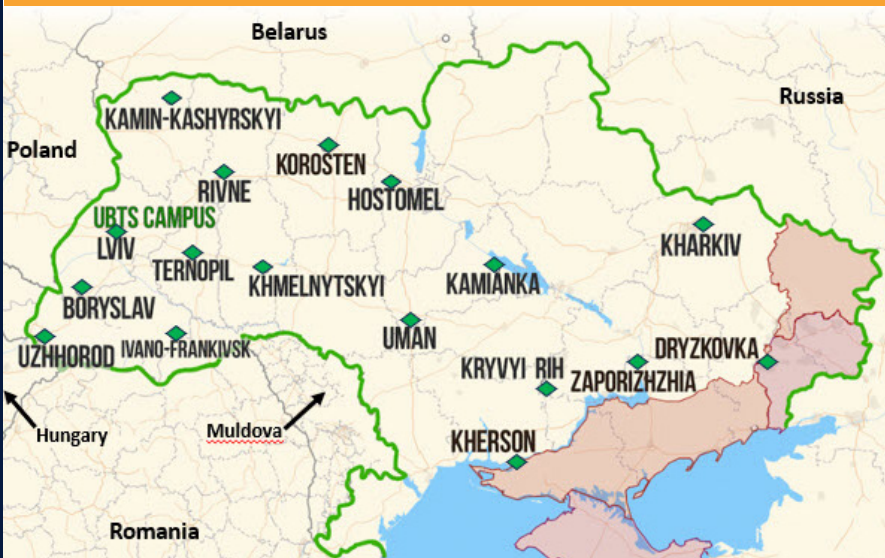
<b>BMA Values</b>	<b>Biblical</b>	<b>Missional</b>	<b>Accountable</b>
	<i>Love God and love our neighbors</i>	<i>Express love by being of service to all people</i>	<i>Fulfill our responsibilities to God and others with wisdom and integrity</i>

The Centers are low-cost and highly effective, with multiple in-country and international sponsors. Every Center agrees to operational and financial oversight from a separate WeCare NGO established by Ukraine Partnership Foundation (UPF) and UBTS and led by Slavik Pyzh, Ph.D. This structure is designed to assure consistency, integrity, and efficiency in operations and reporting across the network of WeCare Centers.

**As the in-country leaders work together today to alleviate the physical deprivation and emotional pain of internally displaced people, they are building trust, expertise, and accountability – the skills and habits of effective leadership that will be key to restoring post-war Ukraine.**

# Help for today, hope for tomorrow

## We Care Center Locations



The first WeCare Center was established in the summer of 2022. There are now 17 WeCare Centers operating with training, oversight and resources provided through UBTS.

*The following information is current as of June 2023:*

**101 partner churches and organizations** supporting WeCare Centers

**380 Ukrainian volunteers** serving at WeCare Centers

**112,000+ people served** at WeCare Centers

## Our sustaining vision

UBTS and its affiliated WeCare Centers throughout Ukraine truly are the hands and feet of Jesus, bringing comfort and relief to people in their time of profound need. Our efforts extend His love, care, and compassion to everyone we serve – today in the moment of crisis and tomorrow in the post-war restoration of Ukraine.

In the midst of the great evil of war, we are seeing the seeds for Ukraine's renewal being sown. We envision a stable and prosperous future for Ukraine where the local church stands as an active and essential member of each community.



# A unique opportunity for philanthropic investment

Supporting WeCare Centers that are locally managed and operated with high standards for integrity and accountability is a unique opportunity for philanthropic-minded individuals and organizations to maximize the impact of their gifts to Ukraine.

When you partner with us to support the mission and work of WeCare Centers, you will deliver essential help and eternal hope to Ukrainians whose lives and futures have changed forever.

**All gifts of any size are welcome.** Because WeCare Centers must continue their critical work for the duration of the conflict – and will play an important role in Ukraine’s post-war recovery – **we are hoping many donors will consider a multi-year gift commitment that can be made in monthly, quarterly, or annual installments.** This will ensure a reliable source of support for each Center, allow us to scale growth and respond to emerging needs, and enable leadership teams to make strategic decisions about resource allocation.

We are deeply grateful for your interest and support. Please continue to pray with us for a miracle in Ukraine.



## About Us

The **Ukraine Partnership Foundation (UPF)**, established in 2011, exists to help raise up dynamic Christian leaders in Ukraine, primarily by providing financial and intellectual support for the mission and work of the UBTS.

**WeCare Centers** unite and assist the three pillars of every community – churches, civic agencies, and local government – to help alleviate the physical deprivation and emotional pain of Ukrainians resulting from the war. They partner with the NGO created by UBTS to ensure operational integrity and excellence.

The **Ukrainian Baptist Theological Seminary (UBTS)** was established in 2000 in Boryslav and relocated to L’viv in 2012. Through seminary classes and the Institute of Leadership, it offers undergraduate and graduate degrees, as well as certificate and training programs, designed to develop qualified and passionate leaders dedicated to serving local churches.

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