

## Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal Joint Announcement by EAA members

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## **Emergency Appeals Alliance members raise 500 million Euros for Ukraine people**

Intense conflict in Ukraine is threatening the lives and livelihoods of civilians across the country, causing hundreds of thousands to flee. Homes have been destroyed. Essential services have been hit. Families have been separated. People have been injured. Lives have been lost.

Heavy fighting, shelling and air strikes across Ukraine have had devastating consequences for civilians. 2.1 million people have fled the country in recent days, with millions more projected, and many more have had to leave their homes to escape the fighting.

By March 9<sup>th</sup>, EAA members have collectively raised over €500 million in an incredible demonstration of solidarity across 13 countries.

The Emergency Appeals Alliance (EAA) brings together 13 national coalitions that work together to increase the impact of their joint fundraising appeals.

Saleh Saeed, Chief Executive of the UK's Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC), is Chair of the EAA:

"It is truly incredible and heart-warming to see the generous outpouring of support and solidarity around the world for the people of Ukraine and those affected by the conflict. The EAA is an alliance of organisations working in 13 countries across Europe, North America and Japan, with affiliates in Australasia: between us, we represent over 150 national charities and NGOs. Many will now be working tirelessly to scale up the massive humanitarian response in Ukraine and neighbouring countries.

"Our message is simple: please donate now if you can and together we will provide urgent humanitarian assistance to the millions affected."

According to UNHCR 2.1 million people have fled Ukraine since 24 February, with millions more projected. 1.2 million have crossed into Poland alone, with thousands more seeking safety in Moldova, Romania, Slovakia and Hungary. Parts of Ukraine have been affected by conflict since 2014. People in Donbas have been living through an armed conflict for eight years. Due to this long-lasting conflict, 2.9 million people in Ukraine were already in need of humanitarian assistance, and around 853,000 people were internally displaced.

The current escalation in conflict will have devastating consequences for the civilian population and humanitarian needs are expected to rise significantly. The adverse effects of this crisis are compounded by the socio-economic and health impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, which has put significant strain on the most vulnerable families and children.

Humanitarian organisations anticipate 12 million people are projected to become affected, including up to 4 million people projected to be newly internally displaced. Of the affected population, 12 million people — nearly 30% of the population — are expected to need humanitarian assistance, and 6 million with the most urgent humanitarian needs.

EAA members are in constant contact with our 150 partner NGOs operating in the region—they are working hard to develop aid that is adapted to needs of the refugees. Thanks to your donations, we will be able to help them set up a targeted, quality humanitarian response to help the people of Ukraine and neighbouring countries.

## **EAA Member Alliances**

Alliance	Country	Website for donations
Aktion Deutschland Hilft	Germany	https://www.aktion-deutschland-hilft.de/
Alliance Urgences	France	https://www.allianceurgences.org/
Comité de Emergencia	Spain	https://www.comiteemergencia.org/
Consortium 12-12	Belgium	https://www.1212.be/
Disasters Emergency Committee	United Kingdom	https://www.dec.org.uk/
Giro555	Netherlands	https://giro555.nl/
Humanitarian Coalition	Canada	https://www.humanitariancoalition.ca/
Irish Emergency Alliance	Ireland	https://irishemergencyalliance.org/
Japan Platform	Japan	https://www.japanplatform.org/
Nachbar in Not	Austria	https://nachbarinnot.orf.at/
Radiohjälpen	Sweden	https://www.radiohjalpen.se/
Swiss Solidarity	Switzerland	https://www.swiss-solidarity.org/
Emergency Action Alliance	Australia	https://emergencyaction.org.au/

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## About the EAA

https://www.emergency-appeals-alliance.org/

The Emergency Appeals Alliance is a unique global partnership which currently unites ten national joint appeal organisations in a common purpose. Our mission is to share knowledge and resources to enable our members to increase the funds they raise for overseas emergencies and ensure this money is spent effectively.

The EAA works to champion the highest standards of humanitarian practice and public accountability. It strives to enhance the membership of existing alliance members and also assist the development of potential new joint appeal organisations in other countries. Current members include Germany, The Netherlands, Japan, Canada, Switzerland, Austria, UK and Belgium with Observer Members in France, Ireland and Spain; and a newly formed group in Australia. The EAA is a Stichting registered in the Netherlands.