



Aid to Ukraine

2nd anniversary of full-scale war

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Situation after 2 years of war

Almost 9 milion refugees have arrived in Poland from Ukraine from the beginning of the war on 24.02.2022 r., of which almost 1,5 milion have remained (as of May 2023 it was 11,889 mln / 1,794 mln).

They are mainly women and children.

In Poland, refugees are not placed in refugee camp centres – this is the result of the hospitality of Poles and aid activities on the part of the state and non-governmental organizations.

It is estimated that as of 24.02.2024 there was more that 1 milion of refugees from Ukraine and about 1,5 milion of Ukrainians, who arrived to Poland before 2022.





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3000 people in Ukraine trained in first aid

The Order of Malta Medical Service (MSM) in 2014 secured the evacuation of the injured from the Kyiv Euromaidan, then implemented, in cooperation with the Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, a several-year training program in pre-medical assistance (1st aid). During the COVID-19 pandemic, the MSM trained relevant civil services (police officers, firefighters, teachers) and donated a significant amount of hygiene and personal protective equipment.

Thanks to this program, about **3000 trained people** and medical equipment have been serving Ukrainians since the first days of the war.

The MSM - thanks to these contacts has precise information about needs and can implement aid in the precise and effective way.

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The first months of spontaneous help

- 300 volunteers
- Headquarters - Katowice, central warehouse - Chorzów
- 3 assistance points at the border - Hrebenne, Krościenko, Korczowa
- 1 relocation point for people and redistribution of gifts - Kombornia
- 2 medical aid points at Cracow and Katowice railway stations
- 13 collection points: including MSM branches in: Cracow, Krzeszowice, Andrychów, Kęty, Nysa, Krosno and Katowice accept donations of medicines, foodstuffs, blankets, sleeping bags, which after sorting are sent to Ukraine - Lviv, Sambor, Narol, Drohobych, Ivano-Frankivsk, and Korczowa on the UA side of the border)





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Transport

Transports (medicines, medical equipment, food) from Chorzów, Kombornia, Nysa, Krzeszowice, Cracow, Olsztyn and Warsaw reach Ukraine, including areas where the fighting is taking place: Mariupol, Dnipro, Energodar, Zhytomyr, Sum, Drohobycz, Boryslaw, Obrucz and the Kyiv area. On the way back, cars pick up refugees.

The logistics center in Chorzów sent **210 TIRs** and **350 trucks/vans of aid**.

The center cooperates with the Foundation of St. Nicholas and Malteser International. Logistics are provided by Prologis.

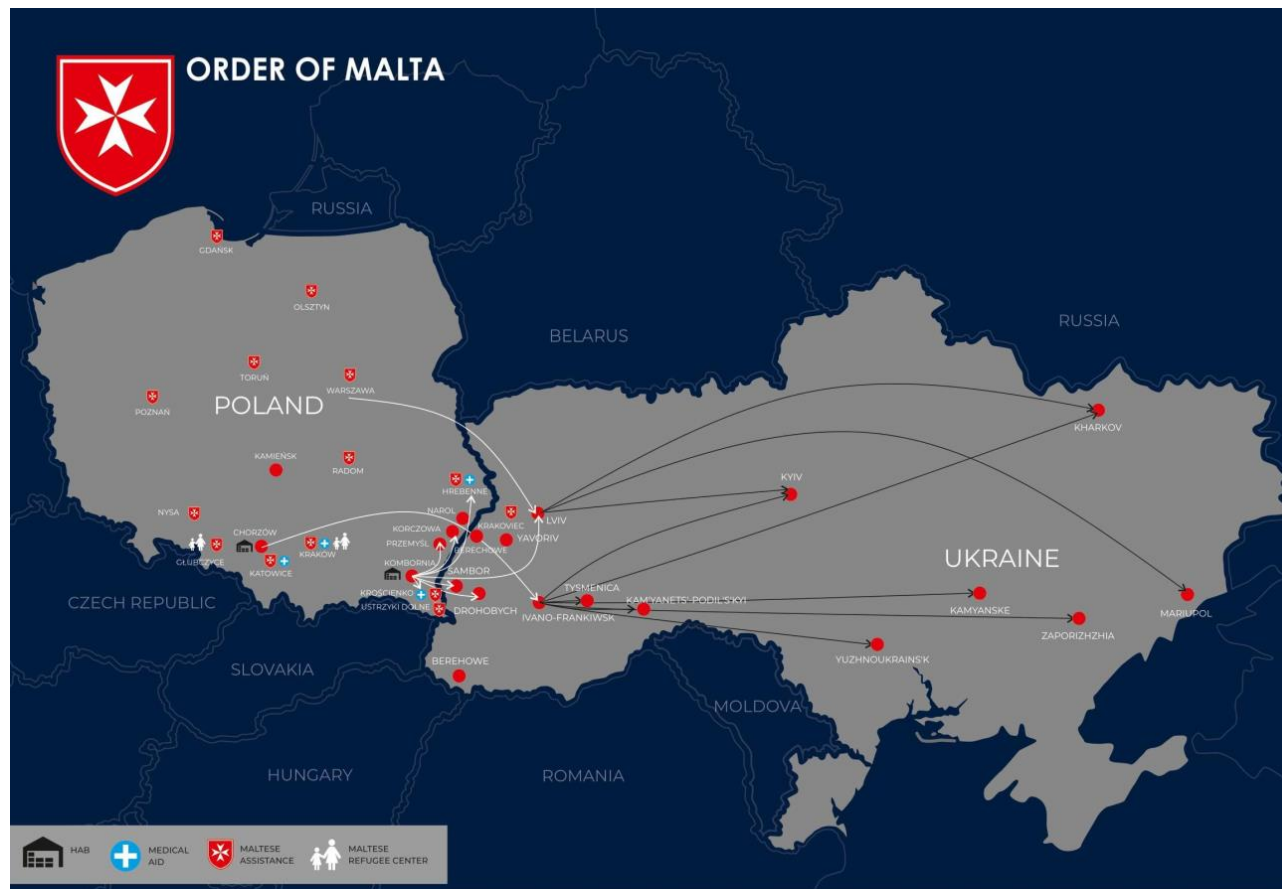




Scope of operations

The Order of Malta - thanks to its international structures, can organize assistance in a precise and efficient way, also that of a large scope.

Mariupol, Dnipro, Energodar, Żytomierz, Sumy, Drohobycz, Borysław, Obrucz, Berdyczów, Odessa, Użchorod, Brzeżany, Horodnia, Kyiv, Lviv – those cities are have been reached by the humanitaitan assistance of the Order of Malta.





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Examples of major operations in 2022 and 2023

Hospitals in Silesia and the National Institute of Cardiology from Anin in cooperation with RARS (Governmental Agency for Strategic Reserves), with the active participation of the MSM donated **medical equipment needed to save lives to hospitals** in Lviv and Ivano-Frankivsk with a total value of PLN **1 million (USD240k)**.

BEforUA (Belgium for Ukraine), through the Maltese Medical Service, donated to Ukraine **25 ambulances** with equipment, as well as significant assistance in the form of medicine and food, and **2 cold-storage** units for bodies.

The Sovereign Orders of Malta in Spain and England funded a new ambulance with equipment - at the disposal of MSM.





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Taking care of hundreds of refugees

Over **3,000 people evacuated**, including 600 sick - 92 children with MS plus families, 32 patients in a serious condition, 2 children under respirators.

Accommodation provided for about **350 people** (7 months): in Cracow, at the center in Głubczyce, Opolskie Province, in Poznań, Warsaw; and for hundreds of other people - in private homes.

Help with **departures to other countries**: Germany, Belgium, France, Italy - **375 persons**





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International cooperation

On the appeal of the Order of Malta, paramedics from the Order's national associations from **Germany, France the Czech Republic, Belgium, England, Estonia, Lithuania, Italy, Ireland, Spain, Austria** as well as observers from **Malteser International** came to Poland.

In September 2022, a meeting of the Presidents of the Order of Malta's national associations took place in Cracow, Poland, where an aid programme for Ukraine was presented.

The Order of Malta Poland actively participates in the work of the Order of Malta Relief Organizations (OMRO) from Central and Eastern Europe to help Ukraine.

Active support is provided by: "The Global Fund for Forgotten People" and Maltese national associations from France, Germany, USA and Great Britain.





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Ongoing assistance in Poland

Food for 1100 Ukrainian children – 125 000 meals provided, organization of recreation, rehabilitation stays, integration meetings, organization of day care centres for children from Ukraine (Poznań, Katowice), organization of Polish language and integration classes **(2.700 courses) for 3656 Ukrainian children**.

Information and Professional Activation Center for refugees in Katowice – as part of the project with the Ministry of Family and Social Policy **107 women** received assistance in job activation by participation in work training, first aid courses or job placement.





Important actions and events in 2023.

- **visit of Grand Hospitaller and 2 study visits of representatives of Odre de Malta from France and Malteser International to Poland**
- **trips and humanitarian transports from Kombornia and Krzeszowice**
- **pilgrimage of the Order of Malta to Lourdes**, the Polish group was joined by 5 ladies from Ukraine
- **XII Order of Malta International Maeuvers of Rescue Services**, participation of 10 international teams. For the first time we hosted teams from France, Italy and Germany, and observers from Ireland. Teams from Ukraine were present
- **trips for Ukrainian children** (Zakopane, Gdańsk) – three therapeutic trips for a total of 116 children with their guardians
- **Order of Malta Summer Camp for People with Disabilities** in Szczyrzyc, several Ukrainians with disabilities were present
- **World Refugee Day** – conference summarizing activities in Katowice.





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Year 2024

Project "Professional Activation"

60 participants - refugees from Ukraine will receive support in acquiring new professional skills, as well as in job search and professional reintegration. Support will also be provided in Ukrainian. Project activities will provide the opportunity to participate in first aid training.

The assistance path was developed on the basis of our many years of experience in professional activation projects. Program participants will be able to take advantage of free professional training, expand their range of skills and competences, which will increase their chance of finding a job on the Polish labor market.



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Project "Helpful Hotel"

The project is based on cooperation with hotel owners who once a month welcome the families of Polish Army soldiers killed in the line of duty. The beneficiaries are families associated with the Association of Families of Fallen Soldiers "Remembrance and Future".

Due to the increased availability of hotel stays, the plan is to expand the group of beneficiaries to include the families of:

- soldiers of the Polish Army who are sick and disabled due to injuries incurred while serving in Poland and on missions abroad
- Polish soldiers who died during the current war in Ukraine
- Polish soldiers, citizens of Ukraine, who died during the current war in Ukraine.



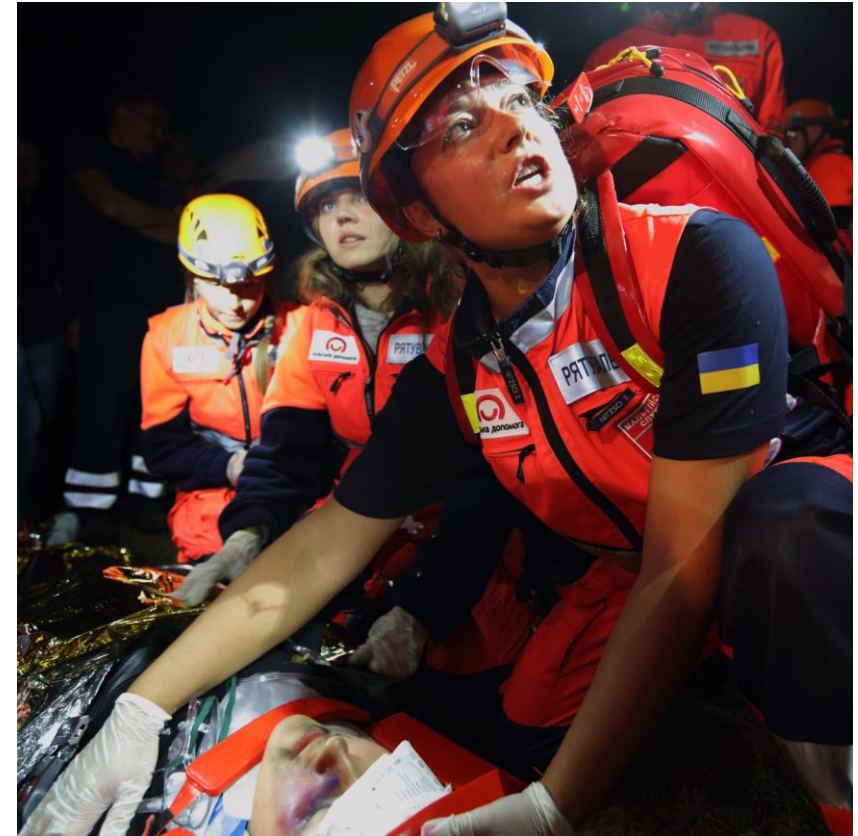


The Order of Malta Poland will respond to the development of the situation in Ukraine and take appropriate actions, continuing the activities from 2023. Current activities are mainly aimed at long-term assistance to refugees remaining in Poland.

In 2024, the Order of Malta Hospitallers' Conference will be held in Krakow. One of the topics will be coordination of international paramedical assistance.

Currently, the greatest needs concern professional activation and learning Polish - activities that allow for better integration of refugees and improvement of their situation on the labor market.

Those tasks are addressed by our community centers in Poznań and Katowice.





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Scale and value of aid

During 24 months of war in Ukraine

Order of Malta Poland

provided aid to about **63 thousand** war refugees,

delivered humanitarian aid to about

507 thousand people.

Estimated value of assistance: more than **100 milion PLN**

(25 014 220,00 USD)



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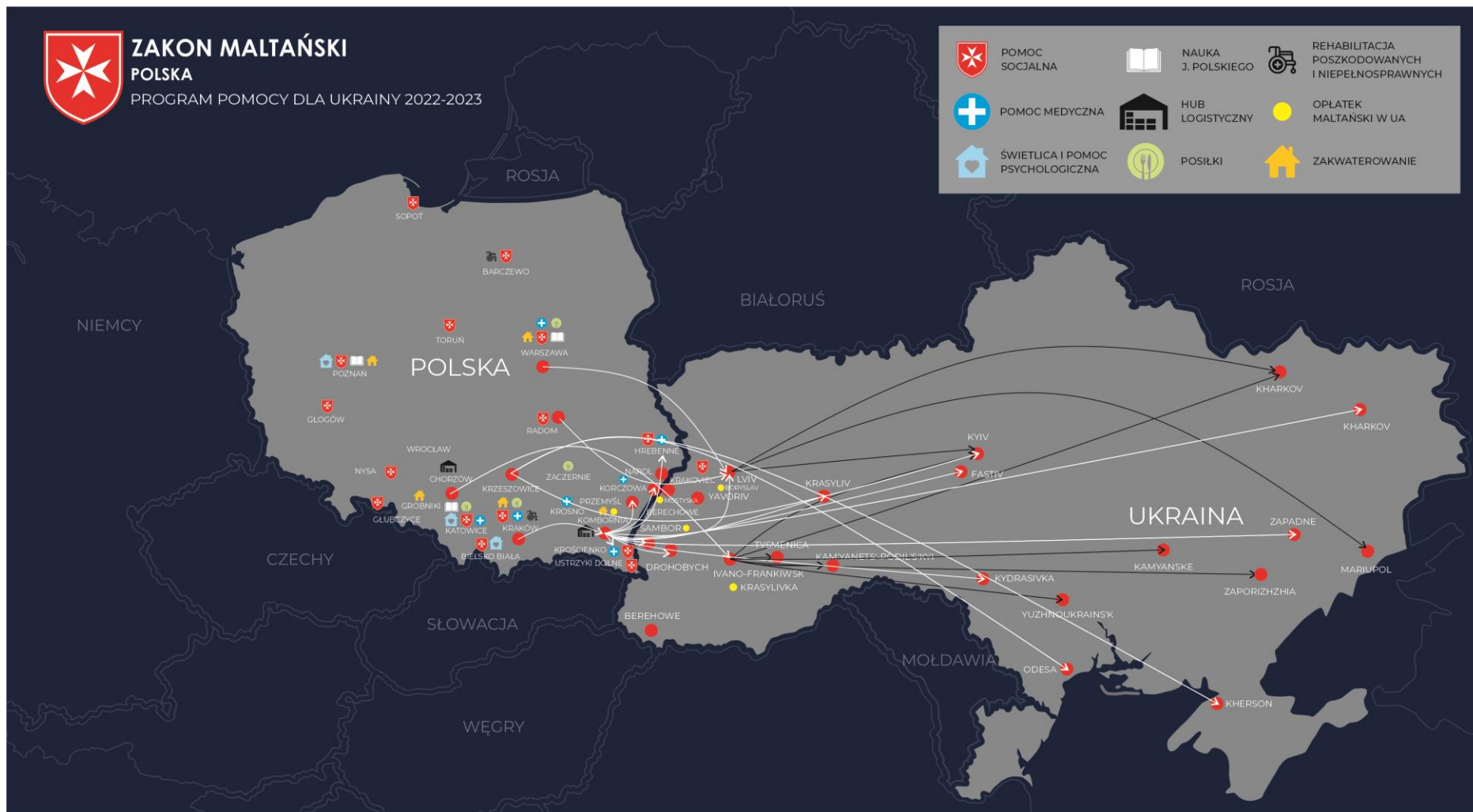
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Order of Malta – historical brief

The Sovereign Knights Military Hospitaller Order of Saint John of Jerusalem, of Rhodes and of Malta, was founded in Jerusalem in the second half of the 11th century (about 1065). The Order has been present on Polish territory since the XII century. The Association of the Polish Knights of Malta (ZPKM) was founded in 1920, but its activity in communist Poland was not possible. In independent Poland, the Association resumed its activities in 1992.

The Order is active in charity and hospitaller work in about 120 countries. The Knights of Malta provide assistance to victims of natural and military disasters. Their devotion was particularly visible during both World Wars and other armed conflicts. The 20th century saw a dynamic expansion of the Order's hospitaller and charitable, along with religious and diplomatic activities.

The Order of Malta is the oldest humanitarian organization in the world.

