



War in Europe – Aid through Rotary – Newsletter No. 18

Dear friends,

These days, the Russian war of aggression in the whole of Ukraine, especially targeting its civilian population, has been going on for three years. It is currently impossible to reliably assess whether, when and how this war can be ended. The people who have been maltreated by this war have to fear for the well-being of their families and friends in their daily lives and hold out in shelters at night. The Rotarians in Germany and many other countries who are in contact with their friends in Ukraine for their aid projects feel their exhaustion, but also their unbroken will to persevere and provide help together.

The Task Force and the District Representatives are now addressing this newsletter to the Rotarian community in Germany. Together, let us continue our aid for the people in Ukraine, but also for those seeking protection in Germany and other European countries. This aid is now more important than ever. We in the Task Force thank the Clubs for their diverse projects, please continue these or create new ones. The Task Force and the District Representatives will support you with advice and assistance, including financial support where possible. **Our current focus is on aid in Ukraine**, where we are in constant and very trusting contact with our friends in District 2232. In Ukraine, we can offer you four priority projects to get involved in, two in the all-important medical sector and two in the energy and water supply, which has been so severely affected by the Russian attacks:

- **Construction of Medical Centres**
mainly in rural areas, north of Kyjiv, 2 already built, 4 more financed and in the planning stage, over 30 needed, costs per station € 26,950, every donation of any size helps
Details of the project: <https://rotary-fuer-ukraine.de/portfolio/distrikt-1950-mediznische-stationen-fuer-die-ukraine/>
Contact person/representative: Carola Schwank, RC Bamberg-Schloß Geyerswörth (carola.schwank@yahoo.de)
Donation account: RDG: IBAN DE80 3007 0010 0394 1200 00 "Humanitarian Aid Ukraine" Project 2371
- **Medical Aid with „action medeor“**
Proven cooperation with this "Emergency Pharmacy of the world" in supplying the Ukrainian population with medicines and medical equipment, previous scope with Rotarian donations: € 44,250, projects in preparation for € 28,600
Details of the project: <https://rotary-fuer-ukraine.de/portfolio/distrikt-1880-medizinische-hilfe-mit-action-medeor-e-v/>
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Donation account: RDG: IBAN DE80 3007 0010 0394 1200 00 "Humanitarian Aid Ukraine" Project 2376

➤ **Energy for Ukraine**

Centralised procurement of generators of various sizes and transport to or purchase in Ukraine, generators worth around € 1 million already delivered/purchased or sponsored, more renewable energy projects planned in the future

Project details: <https://rotary-fuer-ukraine.de/portfolio/distrikt-1930-projekt-energie-fuer-ukraine-generatoren/>

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Donation account: RDG: IBAN DE80 3007 0010 0394 1200 00 "Humanitarian Aid Ukraine" Project 2372

➤ **Clean Water for Ukraine**

Centralised procurement of water purification systems of various sizes and transport to Ukraine, including 114 PAULs already delivered, supplying a total of around 71,000 residents, 12 more Pauls financed and in the procurement process

Project details: <https://rotary-fuer-ukraine.de/portfolio/d-1830-i-sauberer-wasser-fuer-die-ukraine-wasseraufbereitung/>

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Donation account: RDG: IBAN DE80 3007 0010 0394 1200 00 "Humanitarian Aid Ukraine" Project 2373

Another priority area in Ukraine is **child and youth welfare**. They are suffering particularly from this war. Oliver Pannke, District Representative 1842, is planning a Global Grant project for children suffering from cancer in Ukraine, together with the Paul and Linde Ottmann Foundation, which would contribute € 300,000 if we could raise the project to € 1 million. This could be achieved if many clubs and districts contribute over the next three years. Oliver Pannke will answer any questions (rotary@pannke.de). We can do this together for the children in Ukraine!

Let us not get used to this 'European war', which is also directed against our Rotarian values of humanity and justice. Let us help all the people who are experiencing great suffering in and through this war. Let us not become indifferent, because indifference is the opposite of empathy and hope.

Many thanks and best wishes,
Yours

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