International Youth Day

# YOUTH AS LEADERS IN THE UKRAINIAN HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

Young people are taking the lead everywhere you look. The Youth in Europe Bulletin showcases stories of youth activation, engagement, and empowerment throughout the Europe and Central Asian region. This issue focuses on the Ukraine refugee situation and the engagement of young people in the humanitarian response.

Read more about the response

#### YOUTH ORGANISATIONS IN HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

The World Organisation of Scout Movements (WOSM), one of the world's oldest youth organisations, took on an additional role: supporting young scouts as first responders to the humanitarian emergency. The Scouts are one of UNICEF's main CSO partners through their National Scout Organisations (NSO).

Read more about the <u>UNICEF-WOSM</u> partnership



# UNICEF-SCOUTS PARTNERSHIP: AT-AGLANCE

Between **9-22 July 2022**, Scouts together with UNICEF:

- Supported **17,051** Ukrainian individuals, **13,281** children/Young people.
- Utilised **47** information, reception points & warehouses.
- Organised more than **90** summer camps, jamborees and activities, which have engaged an approximate number of **5,998** children, approx. **860** who were Ukrainian.

# Listen to their voice '-

# SCOUT'S DIARY- RALUCA

"It wasn't until I became involved in this humanitarian response that I realised that Scouting was literally preparing us for any circumstance"

As families fled the escalating violence in Ukraine, young Scouts like 25-year-old Raluca were among the first responders at the borders of neighbouring countries.

Read more about raluca's story

## U-REPORT EUROPE: CONNECTING YOUNG UKRAINIANS AND GIVING SPACE TO YOUTH VOICES

Since U-Report Europe's launch on **1 July 2022**:

- Provided access to relevant information for Ukrainians in **seven** countries: Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Moldova, Slovakia, and Italy.
- **10,659** U-Reporters initially registered with close to **20,000** activations of the chatbot.
- **73%** of participants said the information was either very or partially useful.

Read <u>more</u> about U-Report Europe

# YOUNG VOLUNTEERS GET A CHANCE TO EXPLORE THE WORLD OF WORK

"Thanks to volunteering, I've realised what I want to do in my life - it's volunteer management," says Piotr, a young scout, who supports Ukrainian refugees at a Blue Dot in Krakow.

Approx. **2,500** Scouts from hosting countries have been engaged as volunteers.

Read more about Blue Dots

