Financial Assistance
Program for Ukrainian
Refugee Children
with Disabilities
with Temporary Protection
in the Czech Republic

("Financial Assistance Program")

UNICEF, in partnership with the Czech Red Cross (CRC) and in coordination with the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs (MoLSA) will provide financial assistance for Ukrainian refugee children with disabilities with temporary protection in the Czech Republic.

The financial assistance is intended to support refugee families with children with disabilities who have been granted temporary protection in the Czech Republic, as they face greater challenges in accessing the labor market as well as additional costs related to the child's disability, which are not covered by the Czech public health insurance.

The program will provide a monthly financial assistance of CZK 6,600 to every child (aged 0 to 17, i.e. until the child's 18th birthday) with disabilities, who is a Ukrainian refugee with temporary protection residing in the Czech Republic. The benefit is paid to the legal guardian of the child with disabilities who is providing care to the child. The program will also support the identification of additional needs through assessment and outreach and referrals to relevant services provided by NGOs.

The program is expected to last for the duration of the temporary protection under Lex Ukraine V (i.e., March 2024)

To download brochures in other languages, please visit: https://www.unicef.org/eca/documents/financial-assistance-programme-refugee-children-ukraine-disabilities-temporary-protection





Who is eligible for the financial assistance program?

To be eligible:

- You must be the legal guardian of the child/ ren that 1) have a disability, and 2) have been granted temporary protection issued by the Czech Republic
- You must be currently residing in the Czech Republic (both you and the child/ren with disabilities)
- You must live in the same household, in the Czech Republic, as the Ukrainian refugee child/ren with disabilities that have been granted temporary protection by the Czech Republic
- You must be the carer of the child/ren with disabilities

How can I register for this program?

If you meet the criteria above, and you would like to be registered in the program, please complete the online form to request a registration appointment at:

https://register.unicef.org/register/pre-ecdb

You may request the registration appointment to take place either:

- through a household visit by program representatives at your home
- at a fixed registration point in a regional city or Prague (exact location and information on access to be shared with you later)

If you require assistance in completing the form, please call:



+420 277 079 800

Registration Process:

1.

Request a Registration appointment online at: https://register.unicef.org/register/pre-ecdb



2.

Receive an SMS confirming your appointment (within 3 weeks)



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3. Undergo Registration (Please ensure you have the required documents)

Is there any cost/fee to Register?

There is no cost/fee to Register. If anyone asks you for money or favors to be included in the financial assistance program, they are providing you with false information and you may report the incident to the hotline (+420 277 079 800).

What documents do I need to register?

The following documents are required for you to register in the financial assistance program.

- Government-issued identification document of the legal guardian (National ID, Passport) and the Ukrainian refugee child with disabilities (if the child has one) AND
- A valid Ukrainian Disability Card (not expired) of the child with disabilities and a valid medical certificate (not expired) you received when you obtained the Card. If the child does not have a valid Ukrainian Disability Card and also a valid accompanying medical certificate that came with the Card, or they have expired before the 24th of February 2022, the program will provide you with disability assessment by a medical physician. Follow the instructions under: "My child with disabilities does not have a valid Ukrainian Disability Card and a valid certificate that was provided with it, or they expired before the 24th of February 2022. Can I still register for the financial assistance program?"
- Temporary protection document (issued by the Czech Republic) of the child with disabilities.
 If you don't have temporary protection, follow the instructions on: https://www.mvcr.cz/clanek/seznamkrajskych-asistencnich-center-pomoci-ukrajine.aspx AND

Documents proving that you are the legal guardian
of the child with disabilities, i.e., passport, birth
certificates + national identification, or an affidavit
made before the social-legal child protection
authority (OSPOD). Please note that the
regulations for proving legal guardianship have
changed since last year. More information can
be found at: https://prod.frs.gov.cz/docasnaochrana/zastupovani-nezletile-osoby-priprodluzovani-docasne-ochrany/

REMEMBER:

If you don't have any of these documents, or require more information, please see the links provided above, or call the hotline: +420 277 079 800.

In order to receive payment, you will also need to provide:

- IBAN (International Bank Account Number) of the bank account in the name of the legal guardian of the Ukrainian child/ren with disability and meets the criteria listed above (lives in the same household in the Czech Republic with the child). This must be:
 - o A Czech bank account
 - o In the name of the child's legal guardian, who is the child's carer

The payment will not be made into bank accounts in the name of other persons or into a bank account outside of the Czech Republic.

If you do not know your IBAN please call or visit your bank (in person or online) to obtain it before registration.

My child with disabilities does not have a valid Ukrainian Disability Card and a valid certificate that was provided with it, or they expired before the 24th of February 2022. Can I still register for the financial assistance program?

Yes, but the child must be assessed for disability by a medical physician engaged by UNICEF for the purposes of determining eligibility for this program. Please indicate on the online form when you request a registration appointment that your child does not have a valid Ukrainian Disability Card and a valid Medical Certificate. You will receive an SMS with the time and address for an appointment for the disability assessment. The child must be present during the registration appointment. Please note that the findings of the disability assessment are relevant for determination of eligibility for this program only. It will not entitle you to benefits from any other program or organization.

Where can I get more information or help?

Please contact this hotline (+420 277 079 800). The call is not toll-free but free SIM cards that allow free calls can be obtained from KACPU (www.nasiukrajinci.cz)