# **Supporting Ukraine with Ukraine Forward**





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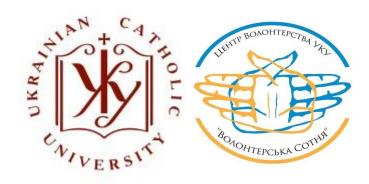
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# Ukraine Forward is an emergency response initiative created to provide critical supplies to Ukraine.





Ukraine Forward, an initiative of Ukrainian-American Education Center of Boston (a 501(c)(3) no-profit), was launched in February 2022 in response to full-scale russian invasion, aimed at supplying people of Ukraine with vital, urgently needed aid.



Ukraine Forward partners with local Boston and Ukrainian organizations and institutions:

- Ukrainian-American Education Center of Boston,
- Christ the King Ukrainian Catholic Church, and
- Ukrainian Catholic University (UCU) and UCU Volunteer Corps in Lviv.

# Our focus: tactical medicine and equipment, medical supplies.



#### **Tactical medicine**

- Licensed tourniquets
- Bandages
- Tactical first aid kits
- Compressed gauze
- Emergency bleeding control kits







## **Equipment**

- Walkie-talkies
- Mini drones
- Flashlights
- Binoculars
- Power banks
- Backpacks



## Medical supplies/ surgical equipment

- Surgical tools
- Wound VAC machines
- Antibiotics
- Syringes
- IV/Intraosseous catheters
- Bandage scissors
- Vitamins C/D



### How do we collect donations?



#### Amazon wishlist



#### Ukraine Forward for the People of Ukraine



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Many items can be purchased on Amazon and delivered directly to the Ukraine Forward location.

Over ~\$190,000 via amazon wish list

### In-kind donations



Medical/humanitarian supplies from:

- Transformative Healthcare
- Rubius Therapeutics
- Cape Cod Hospital
- Stop & Shop
- Town of Braintree
- Town of Plymouth and many others.

Estimated ~\$96,000 in-kind donations

## Monetary donations



Monetary donations used to purchase supplies and cover delivery costs.

Over ~\$95,000 via PayPal/ Benvity/ Checks/ Cash\*

### Ukraine Forward operates in Jamaica Plain and Newton.



#### Jamaica Plain 146 Forest Hills



The parish house next to the Christ the King Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church has been used by Ukraine Forward for collecting and sorting donations.

#### Newton 199 Wells Avenue



Suite #102 on the first floor. The office/warehouse space granted to Ukraine Forward for three months without charge by Taurus Holdings and has been used for packing and storing supplies.

# Ukraine Forward impact: ~\$400K donations raised and over 15,000 pounds shipped to Ukraine.







#### Delivered to Ukraine:

- 15,000+ Medical gloves
- 7,800+ Sterile syringe needles
- 2800+ Hemostatic dressings (e.g. Celox, QuikClot)
- 2400+ Two-way radios
- 1600+ Tourniquets
- 1200+ Israeli Emergency Bandages
- 400+ Occlusive Chest Seals
- 260+ CPR masks
- 120+ Individual first aid kits (IFAKs)
- 22 Mini Drones
- 18 Fully stocked medical backpacks for paramedics,
- and many other critical items.

## How do we know what's needed?

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Ukraine Forward is in direct contact with doctors and volunteers in Ukraine and receives letters of request from:

- **Hospitals in Ukraine** (Mechnikov Hospital in Dnipro, Military Medical Center of the Western Region in Lviv, Zaporizhzhia Military Medical Hospital)
- Volunteer organizations in Ukraine and Poland (Volunteer Center of Ukrainian Catholic University)
- **Territorial defense units** and **paramedics** in Ukraine



## How do we get it from here to there?















Weekly deliveries to Poland from NJ via our logistics partners - Meest America and Velox Shipping Company.

Tracking people flying to Eastern Europe and willing to take extra bags. Shipments arrive to Western Ukraine to our trusted volunteers and non-profit partners Ukrainian Catholic University Volunteer Center in Lviv.

Supplies are
prioritized for
distribution by
UCU Volunteer
Center and
transported by
trusted volunteers
to distribution
hubs in Poltava,
Zaporizhya, Sumy,
Kharkiv, Dnipro,
Odessa and others.

Medical supplies distributed to hospitals, paramedics, territorial defense units, and civilians in the regions of Ukraine most affected by the war.

# Ukraine Forward UAEC Initiative covered by media.





#### **WBUR**

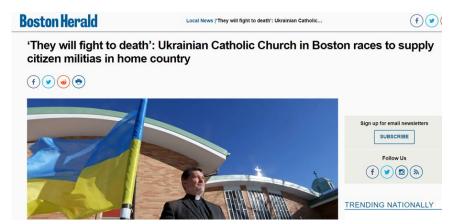
Mass. Ukrainians send money, tactical medicine to battlefield back home



#### **NBC**



#### **Boston Herald**



#### **Boston Business Journal**

Tourniquets, first-aid kits and lab space: How Boston's tech community is helping Ukraine

Ukraine. A former associate director at Cambridge's Venture Café, she's originally form Khartsyzk, Ukraine.

#### **Boston Globe**

#### Here's a list of Massachusetts residents and companies aiding Ukraine

By Diti Kohli Globe Staff, Updated March 3, 2022, 10:15 a.m.



This week, Yuliya Pokhylko partnered with over 70 volunteers to create Ukraine Forward (ukraineforward.org). The activist group is gathering donations of items compiled on an Amazon wishlist and a separate online list of less conventional supplies - think walkie-talkies, tourniquets, intubation tubes, and tactical vests.

Donors can ship the provisions to the Christ the King Ukrainian Catholic Church in Jamaica Plain, where Ukraine Forward packages the boxes. The haul is then taken to New Jersey in personal or U-Haul trucks and shipped to Poland via a Ukrainian logistics company, Meest.

# Ukraine Forward team has been organizing and participating in the local charity and fundraising events.



Day of Unity Charity Fundraiser



Hayivki - Traditional Ukrainian Easter Celebration





Vyshyvanka Day



# As the war continues, needs in Ukraine grow enormously.



## Our Challenges and Needs

- **Medical supplies** in Ukraine, especially bleeding control and surgical kits, medical equipment (e.g. wound VAC machines)
- Looking for more **support with the fundraising and donation drives** (please check on our page items we collect prior making the drive)
- In search of a pro bono Freight Carrier in Boston with drivers TSA certified



## **Our contacts**



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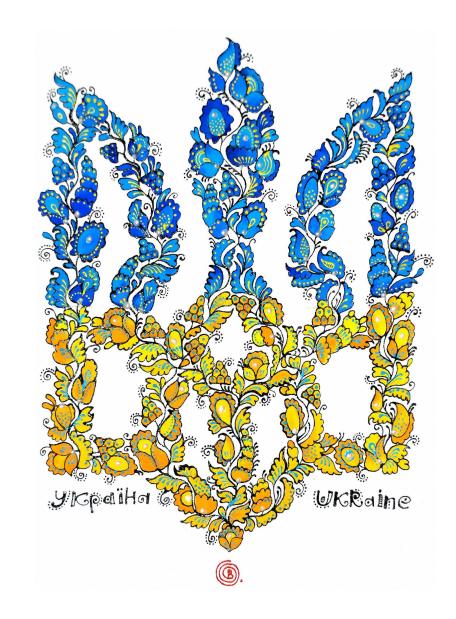
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