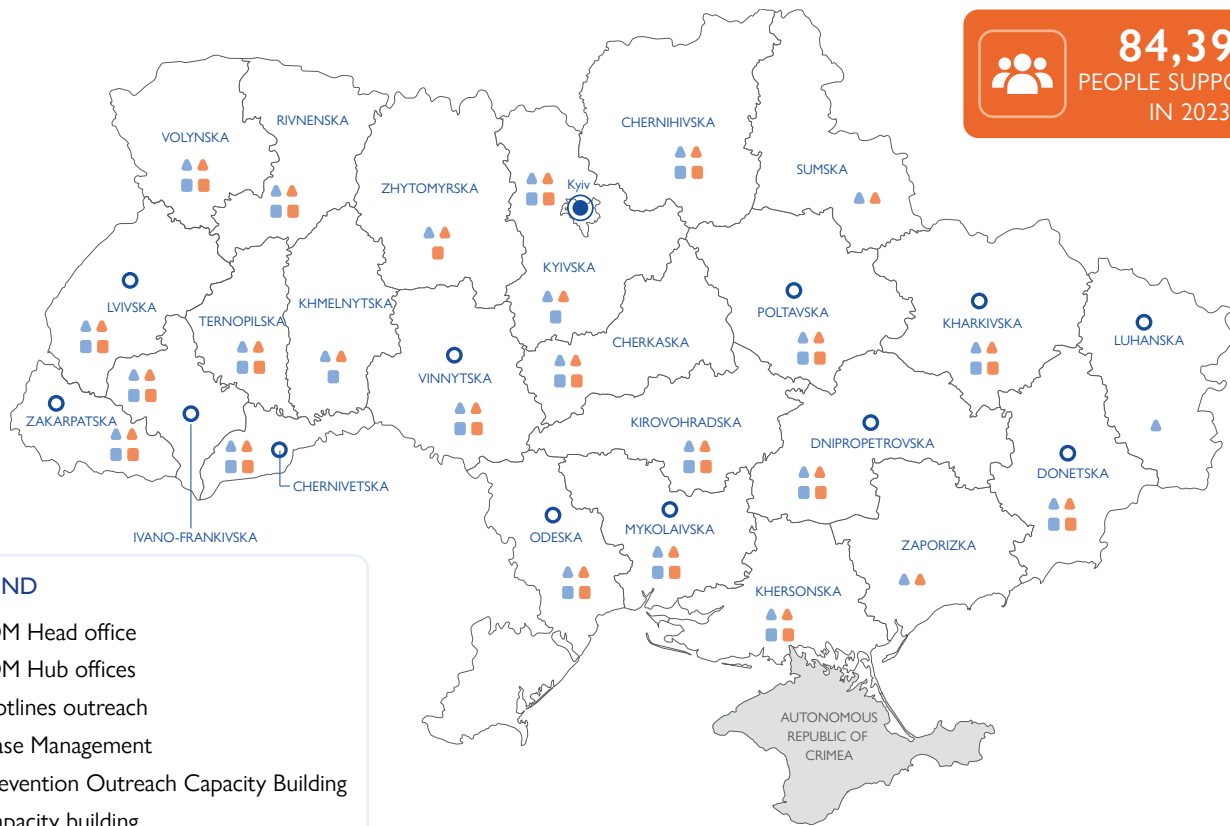


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84,393
PEOPLE SUPPORTED
IN 2023



LEGEND

- IOM Head office
- IOM Hub offices
- ▲ Hotlines outreach
- ▲ Case Management
- Prevention Outreach Capacity Building
- Capacity building

OVERVIEW

The IOM Ukraine Protection Programme started in 1998 as the Counter-Trafficking Programme and for 25 years has been supporting government and civil society efforts to combat human trafficking and to provide survivors access to assistance and justice. IOM’s priorities include individual case management and direct service and assistance provision for

persons with protection needs, prevention efforts through awareness-raising and community outreach, and capacity building throughout the humanitarian and development response. The IOM Ukraine Protection Programme supports survivors of human trafficking, exploitation, gender-based and war-related violence.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

6,834
People with protection needs received comprehensive assistance, 74% women and 26% men.

3,937
People trained on protection mainstreaming, human trafficking and safe referrals pathways, 83% women and 17% men.

25,204
People reached with information to prevent human trafficking, exploitation or abuse.

53,093
Calls received by the IOM-supported National Counter-Trafficking and Migrant Advice Hotline 527 resulting in 228,786 consultations.

PROGRAMME PRIORITIES

- Providing comprehensive case management services to persons with protection needs or those at risk, including survivors of war-related violence, war-related human rights violations, human trafficking and gender-based violence (GBV).
- Operating the Medical Rehabilitation Centre to provide comprehensive, safe and confidential medical care, psychological assistance, and psychosocial support for survivors of human trafficking, exploitation, gender-based and war-related violence.
- Operating the National Counter-Trafficking and Migrant Advice Hotline 527.
- Conducting nationwide awareness-raising counter-trafficking campaigns, as well as targeted prevention activities among youth and people most vulnerable to human trafficking, exploitation or abuse.
- Identifying and mitigating the risk of various harms, including to human trafficking, exploitation, and abuse and build capacity of humanitarian and non-specialized service providers on core concepts of protection and safe referral pathways for persons with protection needs for incorporation in policies and strengthening of referral mechanism.



of respondents reported they were treated with respect by those delivering assistance.



of respondents confirmed that case management services addressed their most urgent needs.

YOUTH SCHOOLS BRING TOGETHER DISPLACED YOUTH AND LOCAL ACTIVISTS TO PREVENT HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Between June and August 2023, IOM organized four Youth Summer Schools “Together to Success” for 90 active young leaders (62 girls and 28 boys), of them 34% were IDPs.

IOM has been organizing youth schools for more than a decade with an aim of expanding a network of active youth across Ukraine who will promote safe migration and employment among their peers, reducing their vulnerabilities and chances of engaging in risky behaviour.

The youth schools contribute to the integration of displaced people into host communities. Youth have the opportunity to improve their psychological well-being by participating

in creative master classes, sports activities and receiving individual consultations from professional psychologists.

“Many young people are shaping their life path right now – they determine what they want to do, where to study and work,” said Uliana Tokareva, Deputy Minister of Social Policy of Ukraine.

“As there are many situations with high risks of human trafficking, the role of active youth who can raise awareness among their peers, support trafficking survivors and promote zero tolerance to exploitation, is very important.”



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