

# **ANNUAL REPORT** 2024





### WORD OF THE PRESIDENT

2024 was a year of transition for the Caritas Ukraine network. During the first two years of the full-scale war, we focused our efforts on responding to the emerging situation, developing our response, but keeping our main focus on the unprecedented scale of immediate needs due to the full-scale invasion.

In 2024, we began a deeper conversation about longer-term development and planning, about how best to build our structures and partnerships to fulfill our mission in the next three challenging years effectively. In the process of discussions, we identified three key principles – a "compass" to lead us as we work towards vision of development in the near future:



- **1. Improvement.** Finding the best and most innovative way to implement the planned
- 2. Human-centeredness. Nurturing, restoring, and revealing human dignity
- **3.** Cooperation and networking. Joint actions, building connections, and strengthening partnerships

These have been identified as our guiding principles, our filter for all our activities, for the next three years. Our aim is that they permeate all our work and outreach, as well as the culture of our teamwork.

In 2024, these principles were expressed in strengthened initiatives, such as innovative approaches in projects that restore livelihoods, or in our joint efforts to design a formation program for the entire network. In 2024, the first steps were also taken to improve our organizational systems and strengthen our networking outside Caritas, namely, participation in various Ukrainian and international platforms (e.g., Alliance of Ukrainian CSOs, NGO Platform). A particular achievement in the network was participation in pilot innovative social services introduced by the Ministry of Social Policy, such as "Resilience Centers", and development of Medical Centers.

In 2025, we will continue to work towards maintaining our capacity to respond quickly to crises and stabilize those affected by the war. Together with local communities, state institutions, and other civil society organizations (both Ukrainian and international), we will continue to search for sustainable solutions to the social challenges created by the war, both at the individual and community levels. Strengthening social cohesion and building resilience remain cross-cutting issues for our activities and initiatives. Our partnerships are vital in this effort. In light of the challenges ahead, our membership in the Caritas confederation is a place of strength for us, because it is also a place of encounter. Through encounters, we share experiences and knowledge and build practical solidarity. This important part of our Caritas "DNA" is uniquely designed to grow our strength, keep us centered and focused on compassion and professionalism, allowing us to serve those in need best.

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Tetiana Stawnychy, President of Caritas Ukraine



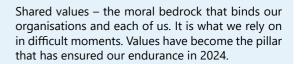
#### Fr. Andriy Nahirnyak,

Director of Identity & Networking

### "Identity and collaboration are the wellspring of resilience"

In 2024, Caritas' greatest strength was the power of collaboration and networking. We operate as one network — global in spirit, local in presence standing alongside people in their communities.

The sustainability of our organisation is founded on an identity that combines three essential components: values, religious faith, and the nurturing of relationships.



Faith is another factor of resilience. It adds depth to our actions and helps us preserve inner strength when external circumstances change.

Spiritual encounters and the cultivation of relationships allow us to see one another not merely as roles or functions but as whole life stories. This humanity helps us survive and grow as an organisation.

What helps to recover and stay the course. Religious faith and the nurturing of relationships in the family, within the organisation, and among friends. When you are not alone, it is easier to persevere.



Anatoliy Kozak, Chief Operating Officer

Hryhoriy Seleshchuk, Program Director

On flexibility and adaptation in times of crisis

2024 taught us to be flexible and to adapt to new challenges. We focused on identifying internal funding reserves and optimising our assistance processes. We managed to build a coherent chain of support for people on the move: from evacuation, through transit centres, to temporary yet more stable accommodation.

We paid particular attention to stabilising people in crisis.

In 2025, we aim to facilitate the formation of a new architecture for coordinating humanitarian assistance in Ukraine, engaging Ukrainian and international organisations, the government, and local authorities.

### On restoring and supporting people

The stability of Caritas Ukraine in these turbulent times rests on two pillars — our people and the reliable support of our partners.

We help local organisations grow, foster community development and build a strong network of partners in the social and humanitarian spheres.

What helps to recover and stay the course: "I try not to lose heart and to support others. My family, friends and favourite activities keep me going: hiking, football and face-to-face conversation. Five of my friends have joined the Armed Forces (one, unfortunately, was killed). Yet we stay in touch, and that gives me strength. A healthy atmosphere in the team is also essential — it keeps you going when times are hard."

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# FACTS. IMPACT 2024

### Facts. Program activities:

# 1,6 MLN

# 498 000

SERVICES DELIVERED (a total over 6.8 million since 24/02/2022)

#### **PEOPLE RECEIVED ASSISTANCE** (a total over 3.6 million since the beginning of the full-scale war)

In 2024, the following were operational:

33 state resilience centres at 20 local diocesan and parish Caritas organisations

13 inclusion centres provided services to 11 630 unique beneficiaries

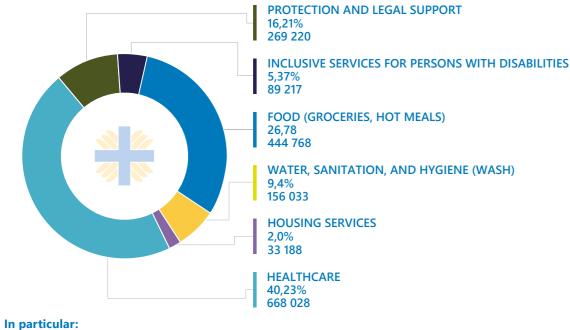
### **31 YEARS OF SERVICE IN UKRAINE**

One of the largest charitable networks in the country





#### Among them:



1 151	PEOPLE PARTICIPATED IN THE HOME CARE PROGRAM
100	PARISHES ENGAGED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIAL MINISTRY
43 235	CHILDREN RECEIVED EDUCATIONAL AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SERVICES
89 217	INCLUSIVE SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES
294 964	BENEFICIARIES REACHED THROUGH INFORMATION AND PREVENTION ACTIVITIES UNDER THE SAFE MIGRATION PROGRAM
12 207	BENEFICIARIES OF MULTIPURPOSE CASH ASSISTANCE
7 572	PEOPLE SUPPORTED BY CASE MANAGERS
18 313	PEOPLE RECEIVED PSYCHOSOCIAL SERVICES
103 570	PEOPLE RECEIVED PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSISTANCE

### **Results of Work in 2024. General Overview**

In response to the crisis caused by Russia's fullscale invasion of Ukraine in 2022, Caritas Ukraine scaled up its work in all areas of critical assistance.

- 3.6 million beneficiaries have been covered since February 24, 2022 (approx. 498,000 in 2024).
- 6.8 million services have been provided since • February 24, 2022 (approx. 1.6 million in 2024).

We combine humanitarian response and social protection and continue to advocate for reform of Ukraine's social services system.

### Strengthening the Organisational Capacity of the Network

In 2024, our team focused on increasing the capacity and resilience of the network of organisations.

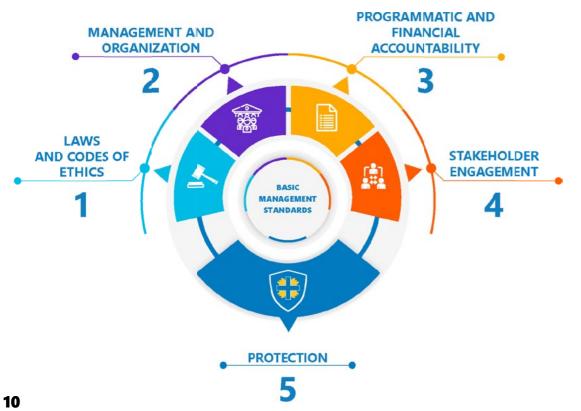
• An Integration Program for the network's employees was developed.

This program is designed to familiarise new employees with Caritas' history, identity, policies, procedures, and the Caritas Internationalis Management Standards (CIMS).

733 employees completed the program in 2024 (since April 2022, approx. 2,100 participants from across the network have passed it),

• A performance management and staff development system was implemented to improve work processes and relationships within the team.

16 local organisations have implemented this system.



#### Key achievements in 2024:



### **Humanitarian Protection and Counselling**

#### Key achievements in 2024:

- The services are standardised.
- New areas of work were introduced:



gender-based

violence





advocacy training



paralegal work



psychological stabilisation of the population in wartime

Target groups have been expanded:



we are now also working with survivors of war crimes

families

- veterans and their
- people returning from temporarily occupied territories to reunite with their families
- State funding for Resilience Centres has been raised.

support for veterans

and their families

- Trainings were held for local organisations.
- Improved access to humanitarian aid for vulnerable groups.

#### **Priorities for 2025**

In 2025, the priority in humanitarian protection and counselling will be to expand services for preventing gender-based violence, introduce specialised case management for persons with disabilities, veterans, and their families, and strengthen the inclusiveness and accessibility of all forms of assistance.

### **Department of Social Programs**

Strengthening expert capacity and expanding service delivery.

#### Key achievements in 2024:

**10 medical centres opened,** nine of which were supported by Cordaid.

Implementation of a home care service using telemedicine in partnership with Caritas Italy.

Opening of the first inpatient hospice in Voynyliv, run by Caritas Ivano-Frankivsk.

**Training for 30 certified network trainers** in cooperation with the University of Education Management and the Catholic University of Freiburg.

**Development of the proprietary methodology «The Superhero's Way»** — a psychosocial support program for children who have experienced traumatic war events. The methodology is already being implemented in educational institutions i in Ukraine and Romania, and will be rolled out in Poland in 2025.

**Creating an online course on combating human trafficking** on the Prometheus platform to raise public awareness of exploitation risks and self-protection measures.

#### **Priorities for 2025**

In 2025, the priorities will be sustaining social services, supporting care centres, shelters for elderly IDPs, children's spaces, and psychosocial rehabilitation camps. International cooperation in safe migration, combating human trafficking, and coordination through the Ukraine Refugee Response Learning Platform will continue.





### **Department of Humanitarian Aid Distribution**

#### Key achievements in 2024

Our mission is to respond to urgent needs and create long-term solutions. In 2024 our teams:

- restored access to water in affected communities;
- developed and implemented a strategy for a systematic approach to providing IDPs with social housing;
- helped people withstand the wartime winter by providing fuel, cash assistance, and organising temporary shelters for internally displaced persons (IDPs)).

#### **Priorities for 2025:**

In 2025, activities will focus on durable solutions for IDPs, including expanding social housing, overcoming critical challenges, and revitalising the agricultural sector in liberated areas.

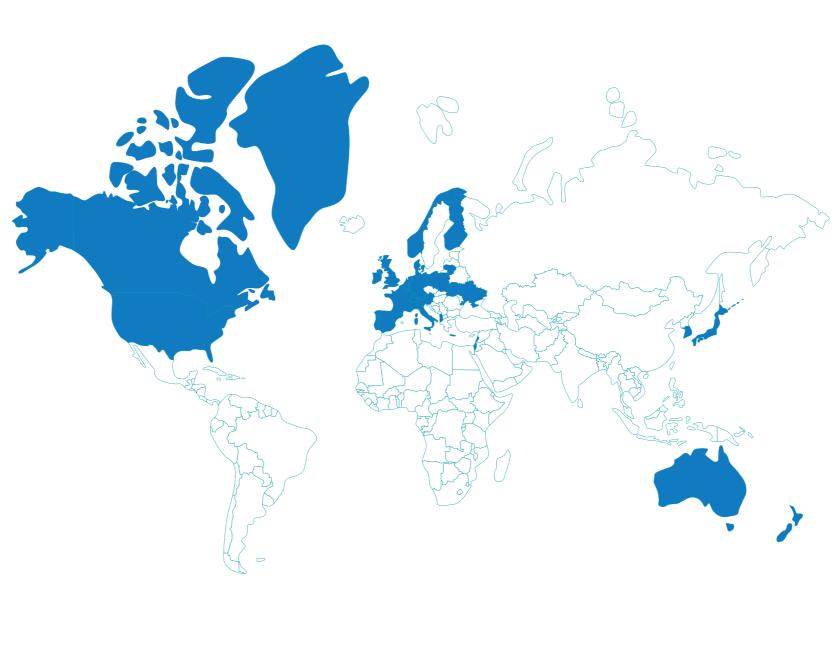
**Valentyn Bebik, Department Director:** «The most important thing is the belief that our work matters. We see how the help Caritas provides changes people's lives. Yes, there are many challenges, but we have no right o give up.»

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Albania	UAH
Fondacioni Mary Ward Loreto	451 274
Australia	
Australian Federation of Ukrainian	1 650 172
Organisations	
Rotary Australia World Community	8 732 669
Service Ltd	
Austria	
Caritas Oesterreich	446 268 246
Belgium	
Caritas Catholica Vlaanderen	22 182
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Bibliotheques Sans Frontieres	2 363 219
Ministère de l'Europe et des Affaires étrangères	1 313 442
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Deutscher Caritasverband e. V.	436 489 411
Dioezese Augsburg	219 313
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Kindermissionswerk	5 429 244
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Holland	
Sheltersuit Foundation	2 433 394
Stichting Cordaid	131 728 339
Ireland	
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Israel	
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1 541 856	Association of Ukrainians in Great Britain
10 422 519	Catholic Agency for Overseas Development
	UN
268 501 062	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
3 323 184	International Organization for Migration (IOM)
335 593 737	Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian
	Affeirs (OCHA/UHF)
30 910 741	United Nations World Food Programme,
	WFP
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	USA
210 978 193	BHA Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance
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8 246 174	Ukrainian Catholic Archdiocese
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16 047 232	Caritas Internationalis Vaticano
2 687 586	Apostolic Nunciature to Ukraine
191 778	Local centres
801 736	Private donations

Other income

Lithuania

Caritas Lietuvos



### **EXPENSES 2024**

corrected for exchange rate variations

### 2 611 344 671 UAH TOTAL EXPENSES IN 2024

30,14%	Shelter Program
13,56%	Social Protection
10,69%	Multipurpose Cash Assistance (MPCA)
8,95%	Food Security and Rapid Response (FSQR)
6,73%	Education, Child Protection and Formation (Education)
5,89%	Water, Sanitation, Hygiene (WASH)
5,76%	Health care
5,62%	Livelihood
3,95%	Development of Infrastructure for Networks and Partnerships (DIP
3,50%	Inclusion
2,37%	Administration and support to project activities
0,96%	Safe migration
0,96%	Organizational development
0,46%	Social cohesion
0,45%	Support to activities and other activities

Remaining balance of funds for December 31, 2024	523 370 860 UAH
Total income in 2024	2 832 771 929 UAH
Total expenses in 2024	2 611 344 671 UAH
Balance for ongoing projects in 2025	744 798 118 UAH

### All Caritas Ukraine activities and programs are project based

	Names of organizations	Number of employees	Number of volunteers	Number of parishes (project activities)	Number of united territorial community
1.	Caritas Kyiv	84	221	0	27
2.	Caritas Lviv	52	6	17	12
3.	Caritas Zhovkva	25	67	24	19
4.	Caritas Drohobych	77	114	7	22
5.	Caritas Stryi	71	58	12	16
6.	Caritas Ivano-Frankivsk	109	60	20	62
7.	Caritas Kolomyia	110	255	10	25
8.	Caritas Chernivtsi	31	29	5	5
9.	Caritas Ternopil	79	53	10	26
10.	Caritas Buchach	28	94	20	12
11.	Caritas Khmelnytskyi	116		27	60
12.	Caritas Zhytomyr	35	99	3	16
13.	Caritas Chernihiv	63	130	5	32
14.	Caritas Volyn	58	3	2	6
15.	Caritas Donetsk in Dnipro	57	103	10	9
16.	Caritas Zaporizhzhia	182	329	0	41
17.	Caritas Kramatorsk	118	115	7	22
18.	Caritas Mariupol	45		4	7
19.	Caritas Kamianske	66	124	0	18
20.	Caritas Kryvyi Rih	72	94	1	12
21.	Caritas Odesa	96	97	0	91
22.	Caritas Kropyvnytskyi	23	81	5	39
23.	Caritas Mykolaiv	54	43	2	25
24.	Caritas Kherson	42	20	7	5
25.	Caritas Kharkiv	178	196	2	38
26.	Caritas Poltava	65	33	2	60
27.	Caritas Sumy	82	193	1	36
28.	Caritas Mukachevo Eparchy	16	15	20	2
29.	Caritas Zolochiv				
30.	Caritas Sokal	30		8	7
31.	Caritas Brody	30	37	5	3
32.	Caritas Radekhiv	5		3	5
33.	Caritas Pidkamin	12	46	5	4
34.	Caritas Boryslav	30	27	2	3
35.	Caritas Novyi Rozdil		42		
36.	Caritas Nadvirna	71		5	5
37.	Caritas Berezhany				
38.	Caritas Zbarazh	1		0	1
39.	Caritas Terebovlya	1		1	1
40.	Caritas Chortkiv	25		0	2
41.	Caritas Starokonstyantyniv	3		3	6
42.	Caritas Berdychiv	19	33	5	7
43.	Caritas Vinnytsia	20	35	4	4
44.	Caritas Fastiv	25	17	3	5
45.	Caritas Volnovakha	8		0	3
46.	Caritas Beryslav	32	16	1	8
47.	Caritas Lubny	10		2	7
48.	National Office	264			
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**Caritas Network in 2024** 



### Multipurpose Cash Assistance (MPCA)

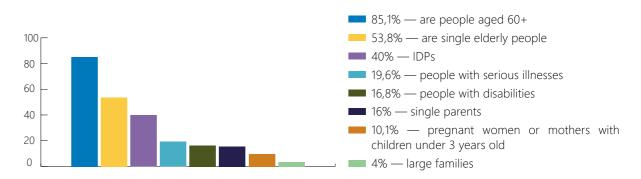


## PROGRAM ACTIVITIES — 2024

**12,207** people received multipurpose financial aid for UAH 10,800 per person.

#### **KEY ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2024:**

• We succeeded in providing MPCA to the most vulnerable and socially disadvantaged members of communities in the most remote and frontline areas (0-50 km). Among them:



This was possible thanks to remote registration and cooperation with local authorities, volunteers, and activists.

- We introduced a tool for assessing household vulnerability and automated a social benefit calculator.
- Unified MPCA standards for the entire Caritas network.
- The Cash Working Group invited us to lead the MPCA cluster in recognition of our experience and professionalism in cash assistance.

#### Plans for 2025:

- Increase the program's presence in all frontline regions, as well as in Central and Western Ukraine.
- Introduce financial-literacy programs for communities. This will ensure the efficient use of resources, increase financial sustainability, and minimize the risks of misallocation of funds.

Vasyl Zhgun, Program Manager: «In 2024, the Program played a key role in supporting livelihoods and the local economy, promoted social cohesion, and proved its effectiveness and necessity. This is evidenced
by monitoring data and feedback from recipients in 2024: 89.1% of people believe that the MPCA best met their needs, 90.3% are satisfied with the registration process, 94.1% believe that this type of assistance was provided safely, and 97.4% received assistance on time.»





Since the beginning of 2024, 269,220 protection-related services have been provided:

**52,010** people received counselling through twelve hotlines (hotlines serve as a referral for internal or external assistance)

**7,572** people received case management services (needs assessment, first psychological aid, counselling, practical assistance: support, cash for protection, advocacy, internal and external referrals for legal assistance or other services) and crisis intervention:

- 9,831 people received crisis intervention services
- 883 people received cash grants for protection
- 5,470 people received legal support
- **667** people successfully defended their rights
- 33 state-funded Resilience Centres based on 20 local diocesan and parish Caritas organisations.

#### Key achievements in 2024:

- Crisis centres in 20 regions of Ukraine.
- Mobile teams in the frontline regions: Chernihiv, Sumy, Zaporizhzhia.
- Obtaining state funding for the provision of services by local organisations.
- 33 Resilience Centres at 20 local diocesan and parish Caritas organisations.
- Paralegal assistance.
- Developing proposals for a barrier-free strategy for 2025-26 for the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine

In 2025, the priority will be **digitising services**, attracting **state funding**, **and supporting** local organisations in opening **Resilience Centres**. The development of a network of paralegals, advocacy at the local level, and specialised support for veterans and their families will also be strengthened.

### Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS)

- 18,313 people received psychosocial services
- 103,570 psychological services (individual and group work)

#### Key achievements in 2024:

- **Collaboration of program experts with specialists across the Caritas network** helped counteract staff burnout
- Support for families of military personnel and veterans

In 2025, Caritas will focus on multilevel psycho-education for beneficiaries and staff, including war-affected people, and the introduction new forms of **crisis support**.







- 13 inclusion centres provided services to 11,630 unique beneficiaries
- **89,217** services provided to people with disabilities and their caregivers
- 6,149 households used the services of inclusive spaces
- 279 people were trained to improve their skills in assisting people with disabilities and their families

#### Key achievements in 2024:

We expanded **access to humanitarian aid** for vulnerable groups and implemented an inclusive approach in all Caritas projects, integrating accessibility standards into humanitarian and social initiatives. We also **launched a** <u>marketplace</u> to sell products made by people with disabilities.

In 2025, the company plans to record training videos, conduct an advocacy campaign promoting inclusion, and improve procedures and monitoring.



Since the beginning of 2024, 33,188 housing-related services have been provided, in particular:

- 5,288 people received assistance with housing repairs (cash grants, work with subcontractors).
- 1,251 households received emergency housing repair kits and materials.
- **1,320** people received a start-up grant and money for renting housing.
- 6,406 people received standard and non-standard non-food kits.
- **18,995** people received winterisation services (in particular, 12,294 people received winter energy, 752 people received heating devices, 4,719 people received money to pay for utilities, 873 people received non-food items for the winter, and 357 people received home insulation services).

#### Key achievements in 2024:

- Expanding program coverage to 17 regions.
- Formation of expert teams for humanitarian repairs, winterisation, rental housing, and collective centres.
- Involving case managers in project work for more comprehensive and effective humanitarian support.

#### Plans for 2025:

- **Repair** of homes, collective centres, and social infrastructure facilities damaged by Russian aggression.
- Preparing people for cold periods.
- Implementation of pilot projects providing long-term housing solutions for IDPs.

Iryna Noga, Program Manager: «Due to the Russian aggression, civilian homes are constantly being destroyed. Even if the active phase of hostilities ends, Ukrainians will still need help across the country, not only in the frontline regions. People will return home, including returnees from abroad, yet may have nowhere to live. Ukrainian cities and villages require extensive reconstruction. Therefore, as the State's partner in responding to the humanitarian crisis, Caritas Ukraine is already actively implementing and advocating housing solutions for internally displaced persons from the most vulnerable population groups.»



### Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH)



Since the beginning of 2024, **156,033** services have been provided under the Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) program, including

- 59,519 units of non-food aid
- 58,533 people received emergency water-supply services (water distribution)
- **33,421** people received services for the restoration of facilities (installation of water-filtration units in institutions)
- **7,726** people received services to repair existing decentralised water-supply systems.

We continue to implement a comprehensive Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) assistance program, prioritising systemic solutions that restore access to water. These will positively impact the lives of communities in need and those most affected by the war in **Kyiv**, **Kharkiv**, **Kherson**, **Mykolaiv**, **Zaporizhzhia**, **Donetsk**, **and Dnipropetrovsk** oblasts.



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#### Key achievements in 2024:

- **Restoring 38 wells and installing 54 filtering stations** in Kharkiv, Donetsk, Zaporizhzhia, and Dnipro regions, providing clean drinking water to more than **110,000 people.**
- Distribution of water to the affected communities.
- **Distribution of hygiene kits**, particularly in the frontline areas.
- Improving sanitary and hygienic conditions in socially significant institutions, including repairs and equipping of toilets, showers, and bathrooms in boarding schools, hospitals, outpatient clinics, and other institutions serving vulnerable populations.

We also implemented the following innovative and creative solutions:

- **Digitalisation of program-activity monitoring,** including development of a dashboard to track progress and systematise data.
- Real-time monitoring of filtering stations.
- Developing new solutions for evacuees, including specialised hygiene kits for people in transit.
- Development of a children's book «Does Water Have a Heart?» as part of educational activities

In 2025, the priority will be to **restore water-supply sources**, develop **sewage systems**, and improve sanitary and hygienic conditions in communities and institutions. Basic hygiene will also be provided to vulnerable groups, and an awareness campaign on water conservation will be conducted.



facilities, including vital water-supply systems. Now, they are being actively restored, including with the support of Caritas Ukraine. In the meantime, Caritas Mykolaiv is trying to provide people with as much quality drinking water as possible by delivering it to the affected communities in the region.



### Food Security and Quick Response (FSQR)



- 444,768 food-related services delivered (general food distributions and hot meals).
- 532,879 metric tonnes of additional institutional food distributed.

#### Key achievements in 2024:

- Introduced transit food packages for evacuees.
- **Optimised the provision of hot meals,** particularly by moving mobile kitchens closer to evacuation sites and providing meals at transit points.
- Updated the rapid crisis-response protocol to allow for the involvement of local organisations outside the network and local authorities, which can provide a stronger Caritas response in places with limited access.

#### Plans for 2025

In 2025, we plan to open **social canteens** and introduce **new food-assistance modalities**, including a **"Cash for Food"** mechanism, to ensure stable support for the victims. Emphasis will also be placed on strengthening **humanitarian-response coordination** through cooperation with national and international partners.







Since the beginning of 2024, **294,964** people have contacted the Safe Migration and Combating Human Trafficking Program, including:

- **903** people received reintegration and counselling services. 198 of them were identified as victims of human trafficking.
- **321** outreach events held and 18,832 leaflets and promotional materials distributed.

#### Key achievements in 2024:

- **Strengthened cooperation** between Caritas Ukraine and the Ministry of Internal Affairs, the National Police, the Prosecutor's Office, the Ministry of Social Policy, the National Social Service, as well as the Ombudsman's Office.
- Implemented projects aimed at assisting vulnerable victims of human trafficking in Ukraine.
- **Expanded the network of Anti-Trafficking Centres:** up to 7 local organisations now delivering program activities in 12 oblasts of Ukraine.
- Identified 198 victims of human trafficking and 120 potential victims, providing comprehensive reintegration assistance.
- Conduct **311 events to raise public awareness** of human trafficking.

- Engaged 300,000 people in preventive and informational activities.
- Launched an online course on the Prometheus learning platform, «Human Trafficking: How to Protect Yourself and Your Loved Ones», which **23,668** students completed in six months.

In 2025, the Program will focus on **expanding the network** of Anti-Trafficking Centres, deepening cooperation with **neighbouring Caritas organisations**, and supporting vulnerable groups returning from abroad.



**Iryna Maievska, Program Manager:** «The war directly affects migration processes both within and beyond Ukraine. No society was prepared for the challenges Ukrainians now face. Forced migration entails many security risks less visible than shelling or explosions. Our Program works to mitigate these risks, supporting people at the decision to move, along their journey, and upon their return home.»







Since the beginning of 2024, 4,885 livelihood services have been delivered, including:

- **1,591** Cash-for-Work and Cash-for-Job grants
- 237 business grants
- 1,081 agricultural grants

In addition,

• 1,976 people took part in training sessions or received mentoring support.

#### Key achievements in 2024:

• **Combining business and employment support:** financial support for job creation and sustainable formal employment.

#### **Results:**

- 1,425 people engaged in socially useful work
- **158** people obtained employment

#### The ELIS pilot project was the breakthrough of the year

The project tested various support models for businesses, services, agriculture, and employment.

#### **Results:**

- Collected and systematised best practices
- **139** business grants awarded, including 38 grants under ELIS Odesa

#### Support for the agricultural sector

- Created the «AgroGuide» a practical handbook for farmers and orchardists,
- Handed out **1,081** grants to small farms and farmers

**The key result:** families secured their own food, while small agricultural enterprises scaled production, created new jobs and developed local markets.

In 2025, the priorities will be to develop reskilling programs and expand agricultural initiatives, focusing on small farms and innovation. It is also planned to intensify cooperation with the private sector to create new employment and business-development opportunities.

**Vasyl Mikula, Program Manager:** «Local change — global impact». We aim to invest resources efficiently to ensure sustainable impact and long-term results. The effectiveness of our actions is the responsibility of every team member. People's lives depend on how well we plan, implement, and monitor the program. And it's not just statistics — it's real human lives and the transformation of entire communities. We strive to build the foundation for the future by nurturing entrepreneurship, creating jobs, supporting local economies, and introducing innovations. Moving from basic financial assistance to comprehensive solutions is the pathway to Ukraine's sustainable recovery and improving people's life prospects.»







In 2024, Caritas Ukraine provided more than **143,000** educational and psychosocial services to children, parents, and teachers.

#### Key achievements in 2024:

- 26,152 children attended 46 children's spaces and centres.
- **12,437 activities** conducted on emotional learning, psychological first aid, and mental health.
- 9,419 developmental classes and lessons conducted to make up for educational losses.
- 7,664 children rested at camps in Ukraine and abroad.
- 4,524 school kits distributed as part of the School Bag campaign.
- **3,949 parents** were trained in parenting skills and stress management.
- 2,275 children joined the psychosocial support program.
- **1,520 teachers** received professional support.
- 416 IDP children in shelters were involved in leisure and education.

#### Strategic steps:

- Provided access to safe spaces for children in all regions of Ukraine
- 51 Child Friendly Spaces opened within the network of 46 local Caritas organisations.
- Provided support to vulnerable groups, including families of soldiers and missing persons.

#### Plans for 2025

We will focus on the **sustainable operation of the Child Friendly Spaces** in all regions and the implementation of **a cross-cutting approach** focusing on professional assistance to children and families.

**Zoryana Lukavetska, Program Manager:** «War has a devastating impact on children — on their psychoemotional state, health, and development. That is why there is an urgent need to invest resources in children during the war. We focus on creating a safe, caring, inclusive, and supportive environment that helps children recover. Individualised approach, positive activities, and peer support are the key to overcoming the consequences of stressful events.»





In 2024, Caritas Ukraine provided **668,028** services to beneficiaries, their relatives, social workers, and volunteers under the Healthcare Program.

**13,796** people received direct support, and **398** volunteers were involved in providing social and medical services.

#### Services provided by area:

- **111,391** medical care in centres (primary, secondary, telemedicine, mental health support).
- 474,903 home care for people 65+, people with disabilities, and people in difficult life circumstances.
- **340** telemedicine consultations for beneficiaries of home care centres.
- 37,901 palliative care by mobile multidisciplinary teams.

- 5,755 rental of medical and rehabilitation equipment.
- 1,828 individual consultations on basic care for beneficiaries.
- **30,860** care consultations for relatives, guardians, social workers, and volunteers.
- **8,187** individual and group counselling to support mental health.



Fartushnyak, Yevhenia Bezuhla, Maria Sekh, Natalia Kryva, Director of Social Programs, Khrystyna Semehen-Bodak, Health Program Manager, Kateryna Nazarova, Inna Hrytskiv, Kostiantyn Samokysha

#### Key achievements in 2024:

- The Healthcare Program was the first among 13 Caritas programs to receive state funding from the NHSU (National Health Service of Ukraine) an important step towards the sustainability of beneficiary services.
- **A network of 10 medical centres** has been created, which operates in synergy with telemedicine, palliative care, and home care.
- 4 new medical centres opened, including the first inpatient hospice in the Caritas network.
- The Home Care area covers 22 organisations in 12 oblasts of Ukraine, with integrate
- Access to mental health services was expanded through the involvement of psychologists and psychotherapists and the launch of specialised support programs.

In 2025, it is planned to **stabilise and develop key areas by advocating for state funding for** home care services and mobile palliative care teams and by expanding the network of medical centres. Particular attention will be paid to **integrating telemedicine**, training specialists, and developing **rehabilitation services** for veterans.

Khrystyna Semehen-Bodak, Program Manager: «The program is moving towards sustainable development. We aim to make these services accessible and integrated into the state support system.»







Since the beginning of 2024, 20,548 services have been provided under the program, in particular:

- 2,374 volunteers were involved, including 1,400 active volunteers
- **100** parishes were involved in the development of social ministry
- 6,564 people participated in 795 facilitated community events

#### Key achievements in 2024

- 400 Caritas volunteers from 30 local organisations took part in the Third Volunteer Pilgrimage 2024 as part of the Spiritual Formation of Volunteers project.
- Launched systemic assistance to veterans, their families, and families of the fallen. In particular, two projects were implemented through which more than 600 relatives of the deceased and veteran families received psychological and spiritual assistance and became better integrated into their communities.

In 2025, the program will focus on holding integration events and dialogues in communities, enhancing volunteer management, supporting professional and youth volunteering, and strengthening the role of local Caritas branches.

Hanna Homeniuk, Program Manager: «The Social Cohesion Program strengthens its projects by activating communities and volunteering, and implements initiatives aimed at stabilising society during the war."







In 2024, 42,638 people and 36,349 households benefited from the project.

The project provided humanitarian aid to the most war-affected and needy regions and vulnerable population groups, including Kherson, Zaporizhzhia, Donetsk, Kharkiv, and Sumy oblasts. In particular, children, persons with disabilities, large households, older people, and internally displaced persons received humanitarian assistance covering basic needs and psychosocial support.

#### Key achievements in 2024:

#### Access to food assistance:

- 4,504 people received hot meals
- 7,997 people received basic food aid
- 224 people received financial assistance for work

#### Access to safe water and hygiene care

- 6,430 people received bottled drinking water, and 3,300 people received water from water tankers
- **11,299** people received basic hygiene assistance

#### Access to temporary shelter and safe housing

- 12,000 people were assisted in transit/reception centres and collective centres.
- 10 playgrounds were equipped to serve children in a safe environment.

- 1,455 people received necessities.
- **1,173** households received emergency housing-repair kits and materials.
- **6** households received assistance for minor repairs.
- **1,087** households received fuel assistance.
- 232 households received heating devices.
- 1 transit centre in Pavlohrad was equipped with backup power sources.
- 23 households received cash grants to rent safe accommodation for three months.

#### Access to social protection and educational support services

- 3,450 people received assistance in crisis centres.
- **1,763** children of different age groups attending pre-school institutions used the services of mobile assistance groups.

#### Access to legal aid

- **793** people received individual consultations, and **260** beneficiaries received group consultations from lawyers and advocacy specialists.
- **1,088** legal-aid and representation services were delivered during the project year.

#### Access to the necessary training resources for Caritas staff to improve the quality of services provided

- 560 capacity-building and professional development events were held for employees.
- 95% of employees improved their skills in delivering humanitarian aid.
- EUR 617,637.67 raised by local organisations for humanitarian goods and services.



## CARITAS NETWORK. RESULTS



### **Caritas Kyiv**

💡 Kyiv



25 years with the capital, on the side of the people

In 2024, the Caritas Kyiv team created child-friendly spaces every day, where children could play and feel safe, and parents received support in crisis centres. Mobile psychological teams reached those who could not come on their own. This year, thousands of people felt that they were not alone.

«The power of love and faith in good can overcome the most difficult challenges. The volunteers are probably the most heartwarming people. This is an example of true responsibility and willingness to change the world for the better.» — Fr. Roman Syrotych, Head of Caritas Kyiv

In 2025, the team plans to open new Resilience Centres and work more systematically with volunteers in different capital districts.









### КАРІТАС БРОДИ CARITAS BRODY

### **Caritas Brody**

#### **Brody**



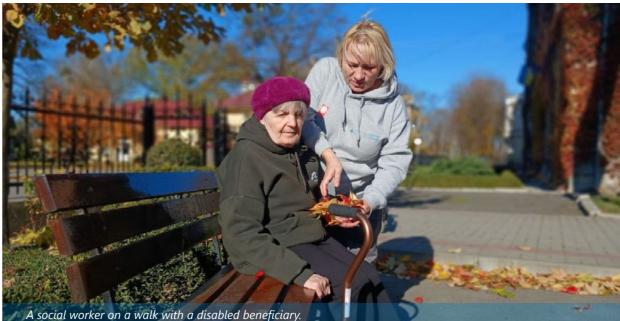
25 years side by side with people

In 2024, the words «help» and «support» were expressed through very tangible actions.. We delivered humanitarian aid, provided household appliances, organised community events, and provided psychological support. So that people who found themselves in difficult circumstances had resources and strength to live with dignity.

«There is a great demand in our city for work with veterans and their social environment. Many of
 them need support to adapt to a peaceful life. We want to be there for them in times of crisis and
 when they are learning to move on with their lives.» — Fr. Yaroslav Tsaryk, Head of Caritas Brody.

In 2025, the team plans to focus on the rehabilitation and inclusion of children with disabilities and support for veterans and their families, including mobile outreach to the community's most remote villages.







### КАРІТАС ВІННИЦЯ CARITAS VINNYTSIA

### **Caritas Vinnytsia**

#### 💡 Vinnytsia



Support where it is needed most

In 2024, Caritas Vinnytsia focused on supporting families with children who had lost contact with education and daily life due to the war. The team worked with educational losses, provided psychosocial support, and accompanied families in crisis. They built an environment where trust reappears: in themselves, in others, and in the future.

**«We are not waiting for miracles. We are just there for you. We must not give up! Everything we do together matters!»** — Fr. Vasyl Komarnytskyy, Head of Caritas Vinnytsia

In 2025, the team will continue to work with families, especially in overcoming educational losses, and will strengthen support to help restore resilience and life stability.







### КАРІТАС ТЕРНОПІЛЬ CARITAS TERNOPIL

### **Caritas Ternopil**

**?** Ternopil



#### 30 years with the community — in times of loss and recovery

In 2024, Caritas Ternopil focused on supporting the families of military personnel, prisoners of war, missing and fallen Heroes. We organised retreats, camps for children, charity dinners, rehabilitation programs, and volunteer initiatives thanks to fundraising and partnerships. A significant event was the opening of the St. Michael the Archangel Medical Centre, where more than 300 people have already received assistance.

«No one should be left alone in difficult moments. Only by combining our efforts can we provide truly worthy support to those who need it.» — Fr. Roman Zahorodnyi, Head of Caritas Ternopil

In 2025, the team will continue its systematic work with veterans, families of prisoners of war, and missing and fallen soldiers.



Supporting veterans and their families December 2024





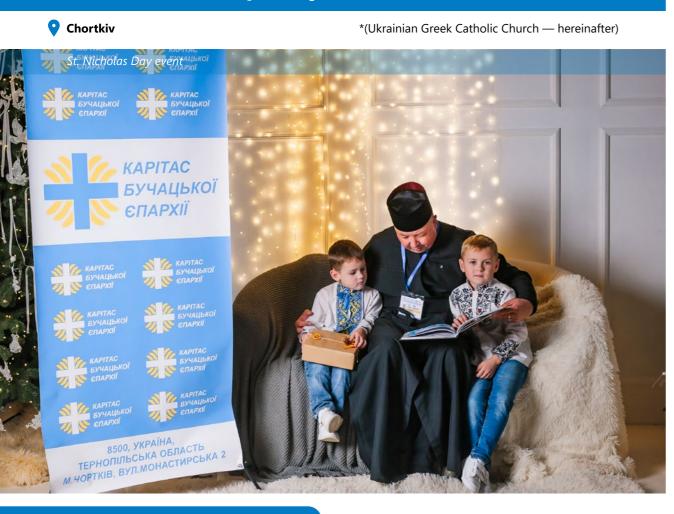






### КАРІТАС БУЧАЧ CARITAS BUCHACH

### **Caritas Buchach Eparchy of the UGCC\***



Social service that transforms communities

In 2024, the Caritas Chortkiv team strengthened its social service on the ground: supporting internally displaced persons (IDPs), implementing mini-grants for communities, holding children's events, responding to emergencies, and launching new parish centres. The focus of the work is on helping through communities — and for communities.

"During the 'Barrier-Free Chortkiv' campaign, our employees walked the route in wheelchairs to experience the world from the perspective of a person with a disability. True understanding comes only from experience.» — Fr. Roman Bronetsky, Head of Caritas Buchach Eparchy

In 2025, the team will focus on strengthening parish social ministry in rural communities.







### **ΚΑΡΙΤΑC CTAPOKOHCTЯΗΤИΗΙΒ** CARITAS STAROKOSTIANTYNIV

**Starokostiantyniv City and District Charitable Foundation «Caritas»** 

#### Starokonstantyniv



#### Spaces for children as a point of community recovery

2024 was defined by children's camps and child-friendly spaces, which became islands of safety and play amid the storm of uncertainty. Through partnerships, volunteerism, and much-needed but straightforward formats, the team created a place where children can trust again.

«This year stands out for launching 'Spaces' in three cities — children's laughter, drawings, and first
 friendships after trauma. This is what shapes us as a community of service.» — Fr. Yuriy Lanyk, Head of Caritas Starokostiantyniv

In 2025, the team will focus on psychosocial support for children growing up in the reality of war and will continue to hold summer camps as a space for recovery.











### КАРІТАС ЖИТОМИР CARITAS ZHYTOMYR

### **Caritas Zhytomyr**

**V** Zhytomyr



When young people with disabilities are in the spotlight

In 2024, the team supported IDPs, set up a daycare centre for young people with disabilities, offered humanitarian and psychological assistance, and organised volunteer programs.

«Parents of young people with disabilities said that for the first time in many years, they were able to return to work, take care of themselves, and feel free to act. This is the most powerful testimony I heard in 2024. We dream of having our centre in a permanent building that will become a home for our projects.» — Fr. Oleh Luchka, Head of Caritas Zhytomyr

In 2025, the team plans to focus on supporting veterans and their families by expanding daycare practice to other regions.











### КАРІТАС КРАМАТОРСЬК CARITAS KRAMATORSK

### **Caritas Kramatorsk**

#### • relocated to Sheptytsky, Lviv Oblast



*Community strength — despite the loss of home* 

In 2024, the relocated Caritas Kramatorsk not only continued but scaled up its work: humanitarian aid, housing repairs, social and psychological services, work with youth, and community development — all of this became the basis of a new presence in the new city. At the same time, it supported the frontline areas.

«I was most impressed by the team's endurance — even when they were tired and lacking resources, they kept going. This is the true face of Caritas.» — Fr. Vasyl Ivaniuk, Head of Caritas Kramatorsk

In 2025, the team will focus on advocating sustainable social services in the new city and supporting people who remain physically and emotionally close to the war.











### КАРІТАС ІВАНО-ФРАНКІВСЬК CARITAS IVANO-FRANKIVSK

### **Caritas Ivano-Frankivsk**

#### • Ivano-Frankivsk



#### Care that restores dignity

In 2024, Caritas Ivano-Frankivsk provided comprehensive support to those affected by the war. It was not only humanitarian or legal assistance, but also deeply human support, delivered through rehabilitation, care, adaptation, and social service centres. The centre also implemented self-employment programs, support for IDPs and survivors of violence, including gender-based violence and trafficking.

«We dream of developing a service for the military and making our medical centre fully equipped.
 We want communities to be able to respond to challenges themselves and learn self-reliance.»
 — Fr. Volodymyr Chorniy, Head of Caritas Ivano-Frankivsk

In 2025, the team will focus on working with military families and on outpatient rehabilitation of adults and children who have survived the war.













### **Caritas Zaporizhzhia**

• Zaporizhzhia



Behind every number stands a person

In 2024, Caritas Zaporizhzhia became a pillar of support for thousands of war-affected people, providing humanitarian aid, housing repairs, social services, legal support, and psychological support. Caritas Zaporizhzhia focused its efforts on the frontline and liberated territories, supporting IDPs and strengthening the resilience of local communities.

**«Behind every story, behind every challenge, there is a person. Traumatised, tired, but not broken. We have become the threads that connect the needy with those who do not stand aside.»** — Fr. Andriy Bukhvak, Head of Caritas Zaporizhzhia

In 2025, the team will continue to work where it is hardest — to preserve the most valuable thing, even in high-risk zones: human dignity.











### КАРІТАС КРИВИЙ РІГ CARITAS KRYVYI RIH

### Caritas Kryvyi Rih

#### 💊 Kryvyi Rih



#### Working where it is the hardest means staying with people to the end

In 2024, Caritas Kryvyi Rih worked in the regions affected by the Kakhovka HPP disaster, supporting communities, providing humanitarian aid, and creating safe spaces for children. We strengthened cohesion through partnerships with international and church organisations, offering people not just help but confidence.

"This year has been a year of challenges and growth. We want to move forward and complete construction of the Pechera shelter to have a safe space for children and the community." — Fr. Ivan Talaylo, Head of Caritas Kryvyi Rih

In 2025, the team will develop local initiatives to support veterans, children, and vulnerable groups, especially in the frontline regions.









### **Caritas Lviv UGCC**

📀 Lviv



When space is not just a place, but a chance for a different life

In 2024, Caritas Lviv opened the Resilience Centre, an inclusive «Friendly Workshop» for social adaptation and integration of people with intellectual disabilities, and its own kindergarten for families in difficult circumstances. It was a year of creating safe, supportive spaces.

«We dream of having our own school, of finding a way to take people out of the city for recreation
 and recovery. We want to provide them with the opportunity to relieve stress and breathe freely.»
 — Fr. Andriy Seneyko, Head of Caritas Lviv

In 2025, the team will focus on supporting veterans and engaging them in activities that strengthen their connection to the community and help them adapt.









### КАРІТАС КРОПИВНИЦЬКИЙ CARITAS KROPYVNYTSKYI

### Caritas Kropyvnytskyi

#### • Kropyvnytskyi



*Timely and comprehensive assistance to restore dignity and self-reliance* 

For Caritas Kropyvnytskyi, 2024 was a year of mobility, volunteerism, and trust. The team worked with IDPs, children, and people in crisis, and organised the work of mobile teams in the most remote places. Over 600 people received help during the year, and humanitarian support became the beginning of more profound changes: legal, psychological, and educational.

«The distribution of humanitarian aid is a bridge to further support. Through this, we build trust, and then people open up to other forms of support. I dream of a dedicated space for the team and warehouse.» — Fr. Ivan Tretiak, Head of Caritas Kropyvnytskyi

In 2025, the team plans to strengthen the areas of employment, psychological rehabilitation, and development of local initiatives in communities.







### КАРІТАС ДРОГОБИЧ CARITAS DROHOBYCH

### **Caritas Sambir-Drohobych Eparchy**

**Orohobych** 



#### Serving those who are overlooked

In 2024, the team focused on supporting those who are most often invisible: homeless people, people with addictions, IDPs, survivors of sexual violence, and victims of human trafficking. The projects provided medical, humanitarian, and psychological assistance, organised educational programs for children, and camps. It was a year when every «invisible» life received attention, respect, and a chance for change.

«I dream of completing houses for rehabilitation and prosthetics, and later on, creating a hospice for war victims. We are approached by very different people, including those who have lost everything. Our mission is to support them and not to leave them alone with their pain.» — Fr. Ihor Kozankevych, Head of Caritas SDD

In 2025, the team will focus on rehabilitating veterans and civilians.







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### **Caritas Odesa UGCC**

#### **Odesa**





In 2024, Caritas Odesa of the UGCC implemented a wide range of initiatives: assistance to victims of human trafficking, support for the elderly, wartime educational projects, housing reconstruction, creation of inclusive spaces, and the Resilience Centre. The team covered the humanitarian, social, and economic dimensions to help people survive and restore a decent life under challenging conditions.

«The year 2024 was memorable for people. Their endurance, dignity, and ability to stick together. We
 all dream of a just and lasting peace. So that we can focus not on overcoming the consequences of war,
 but on development.» — Fr. Vasyl Kolodchyn, Head of Caritas Odesa UGCC

In 2025, the team will focus on housing rehabilitation programs, from minor to significant repairs, and expanding cooperation with communities, authorities, and educational institutions for long-term change.













### **KAPITAC YEPHIFIB CARITAS CHERNIHIV**

### **Caritas Chernihiv**

#### • Chernihiv and Nizhyn

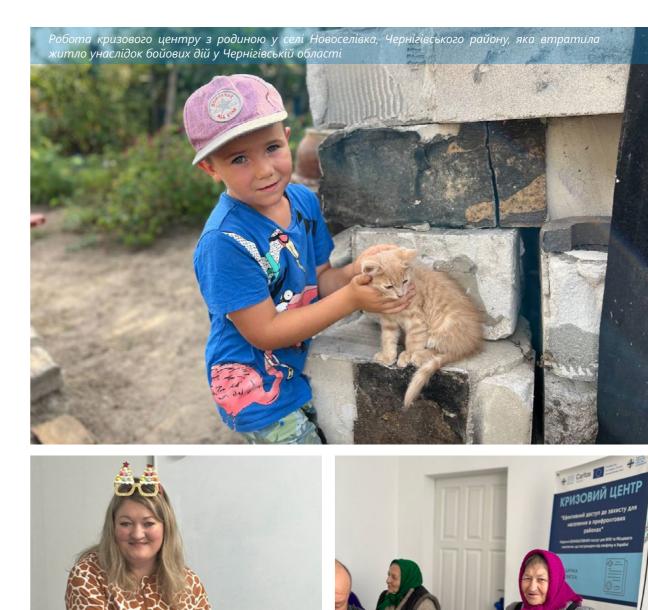


#### Care that restores meaning and peace of mind

In 2024, Caritas Chernihiv covered two locations simultaneously — Chernihiv and Nizhyn — where the team supported families, older people, and children who had experienced the trauma of war. The Crisis Centre's work, including children's spaces, winterisation, individual counselling and therapy sessions, helped people stay strong and feel that they were not alone.

«I am inspired by the fact that I see changes in people — their attitude to life and their desire to improve it. And our employees inspire me with their hearts, initiative, and love for the work.» — Fr. Roman Pushka, Head of Caritas Chernihiv

In 2025, the organisation plans to strengthen support for children, persons with disabilities, veterans, and older people. A special emphasis is placed on developing mobile teams and social initiatives that change communities from within.



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#### KAPITAC XAPKIB CARITAS KHARKIV

# **Caritas Kharkiv**

#### • Kharkiv

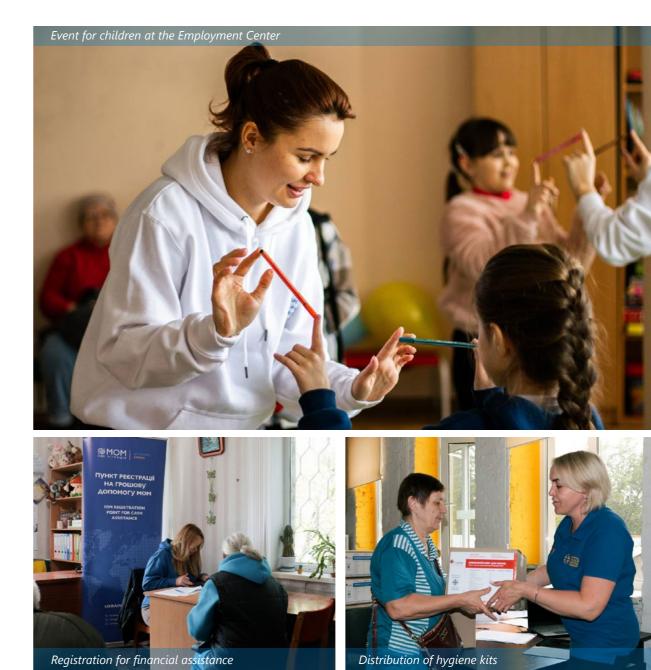


Help under shelling — a daily choice to stay with people

In 2024, the team implemented large-scale support: housing, food, cash, legal, psychosocial support, work with IDPs, children, and people with disabilities. Despite the shelling, prolonged fatigue, and constant challenges.

Despite the constant shelling of Kharkiv and the region, our team works tirelessly to care for people.
 We provide food parcels and help people learn to live in their new reality.» — Fr. Andriy Nasinnik, Head of Caritas Kharkiv

In 2025, the team plans to scale up support for agriculture, healthcare, and education, to create cooperatives that strengthen community economies, support the families of fallen heroes, and help children overcome educational losses.



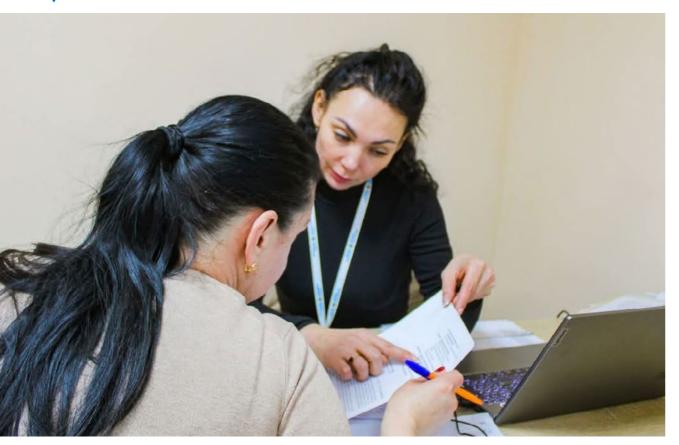




#### КАРІТАС КАМ'ЯНСЬКЕ CARITAS KAMIANSKE

## **Caritas Kamianske**

• Kamianske

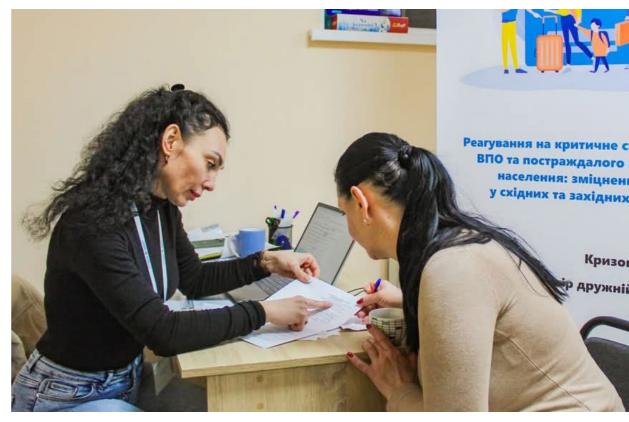


Help in action — even when there seems to be no way out

2024 was a year of multifaceted assistance: psychological, legal, humanitarian, inclusive, and housing reconstruction and employment support. Among the significant achievements was the opening of the Barvy inclusive space, where young people with disabilities gained opportunities for development, creativity and psychological support.

«I was most impressed by how our short project, which had no guarantees of continuation, unexpectedly
 received funding from the Netherlands. This proved once again that there are no hopeless situations
 for God. The main thing is to trust.» — Fr. Ihor Pahulych, Head of Caritas Kamianske

In 2025, the team will work to create social housing for IDPs as a step towards restoring dignity and stability.











# КАРІТАС СТРИЙ CARITAS STRYI

# **Caritas of the Stryi Eparchy of the UGCC**

📀 Stryi



When young people with intellectual disabilities live in a community instead of an institution

In 2024, the team focused on social service, humanitarian support, and assisting people with disabilities. Supported Living Homes — an alternative to boarding schools where young people with intellectual disabilities learn to live independently, with the support of assistants, as part of a community — became particularly important.

«It is inspiring when a girl with Down syndrome writes on Facebook: «I am happy that I go to Caritas of the Stryi Eparchy.» This is the change. We dream of stability and our Catholic school.» — Fr. Volodymyr Mamchyn, Head of Caritas Stryi

In 2025, the team will continue to develop supported living programs, rehabilitation, educational initiatives, and social services that change lives.



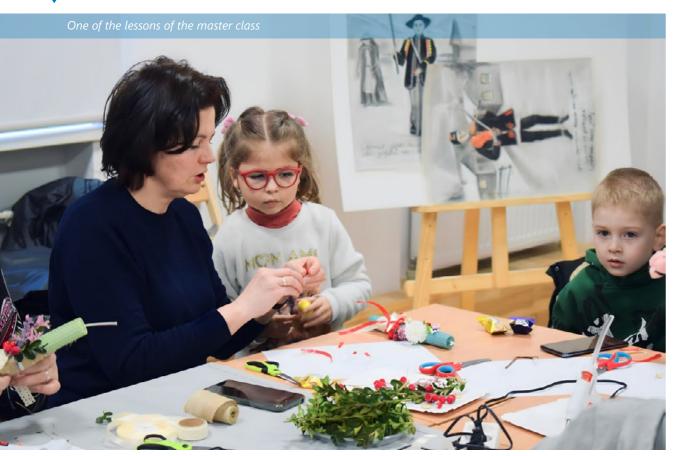




#### КАРІТАС НАДВІРНА CARITAS NADVIRNA

## **Caritas Nadvirna**

#### • Nadvirna



When help is not just a word, but the community's way of life

In 2024, the Caritas Nadvirna team reached more than 10,000 people, providing comprehensive support to IDP families, older people, people with disabilities, children, and youth. The team operated a social taxi, a clothing bank, meal points, and educational and psychological initiatives.

«Our victory is our premises, which will remain a centre of social service for the community. I dream we
 will keep the team and open a hospice-type rehabilitation centre for those who need decent support in the last days of life.» — Fr. Andriy Budzak, Head of Caritas Nadvirna

In 2025, the organisation will focus on developing palliative care, supporting inclusive spaces, working with children and youth, and volunteer initiatives.











#### КАРІТАС БЕРИСЛАВ CARITAS BERYSLAV

# **Caritas Beryslav**

#### Beryslav



Aid that moves with people

In 2024, the Caritas Beryslav team expanded its humanitarian response through the Emergency Appeal, launched mobile support, and inclusive initiatives for children in the House of Happiness. The launch of transport services for people with reduced mobility in Velyka Oleksandrivka, where there was no transport even before the war, was vital.

«I dream that our city will come to life again. I want us to return home, not as displaced persons, but as builders of recovery. I want emergency aid to be replaced by development and faith in the future. I dream that the people we supported will say later: «Thanks to you, we did not give up.» — Fr. Oleksandr Bilskyi, Head of Caritas Beryslav

In 2025, the team will focus on supporting the House of Happiness and expanding its coverage area to provide transport for people with disabilities and serious illnesses.





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# ΚΑΡΙΤΑC ΜИΚΟΛΑΪΒ CARITAS MYKOLAIV

# **Caritas Mykolaiv UGCC**

#### • Mykolaiv



#### Help that restores a sense of security and dignity

In 2024, the Caritas Mykolaiv team focused on protecting the rights of war-affected people, especially children, through educational, psychosocial, and preventive programs. In addition, repairs of damaged housing continued, as did efforts to secure drinking water across the south. A separate area of work was combating human trafficking as a response to the risks posed by the war to the most vulnerable.

 «I am most impressed by the strength of people who have survived the horrors of war but remain able to thank and support others. It is for them that we work — to restore dignity, safety, and humanity.»
 — Fr. Taras Pavlius, Head of Caritas Mykolaiv, UGCC

In 2025, the organisation plans to continue housing repairs and develop long-term initiatives supporting crisis families.









#### КАРІТАС ВОЛИНЬ CARITAS VOLYN

# **Caritas Volyn**

#### • Novovolynsk



Where recovery is a shared endeavour

In 2024, the Caritas Volyn team implemented powerful, comprehensive support programs for children, youth, people from vulnerable groups, and those who returned from the occupation. The projects implemented include Home Care, Supported Living, five Resilience Centres, and a new initiative — a gym in a shelter, which has become a place of strength for veterans and schoolchildren. Through sports, socialising, and mutual support, bonds are built daily to keep morale high.

«The words of the children from the camp are something that touches you to tears. They say we don't want to go back because there is shelling at home. And here there is peace, friends, games, life. We will expand our Resilience Centres and develop the work of the "Parasolka" camp so that safe places like these become more numerous» — Fr. Volodymyr Kmet, Head of Caritas Volyn

In 2025, the organisation will focus on expanding the network of Resilience Centres, creating a social laundry, supporting children and veterans, and fostering self-reliance through social entrepreneurship.









#### КАРІТАС ПОЛТАВА CARITAS POLTAVA

### **Caritas Poltava**

• Poltava



#### An apartment that has become a refuge for hundreds

In 2024, the Caritas Poltava team continued to support IDPs, work with veterans, families in crisis, children, and people with disabilities. We launched several new areas: «Green Fortress» to create ecological spaces, «Warm Hugs» to support children aged 3-6, and mobile legal-aid teams in rural villages. These initiatives have strengthened communities and made assistance more accessible. And it all started modestly — with a two-room apartment.

«Once a woman who came to our centre after evacuation with her sick mother asked for shoes — she was wearing rubber slippers in the middle of winter. We didn't have her size. And our employee simply gave her shoes. This is how the strongest decisions are born — out of empathy.» — Fr. Volodymyr Rakovetskyi, Head of Caritas Poltava

In 2025, the foundation will focus on developing a social enterprise and realising a dream: creating a space for young people — the House of Creativity, where a psychologist and a confessor will be next to the microphone. We want young talents to grow in an inspiring community, not on the streets.













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## **Caritas Kherson**

#### • Kherson



To be a support in times of loss and hardship

In 2024, the Caritas Kherson team focused on supporting frontline regions and IDPs through the Emergency Appeal project and the winter program. The foundation provided people with critical resources, from heaters and food packages to cash assistance. The Crisis Centre and the Child-Friendly Space were places where, even in the darkest moments, one could find the light of care.

«I dream that Caritas Kherson will continue to be a point of support for people who have suffered losses and are looking for a new beginning. And I dream that we work not only with the consequences of the crisis, but also create conditions for a stable, peaceful life.» — Fr. Ihor Makar, Head of Caritas Kherson

In 2025, the organisation will continue to implement the Emergency Appeal and develop support that helps people survive and find a new beginning.









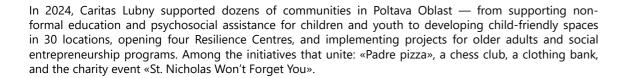


# **Caritas Lubny**

Lubny



#### A space where there is room for both care and development



«The opening of the Resilience Centres has become a support and a real source of hope for our community. Even in dark times, you can build a future. I dream that in 2025, Caritas Lubny will have a charity kitchen — a space of mercy where everyone can feel dignity and human treatment.» — Fr. Vasyl Ulishak, Head of Caritas Lubny

In 2025, the team will continue implementing the Emergency Appeal and developing initiatives that strengthen communities.







### КАРІТАС ТРУСКАВЕЦЬ CARITAS TRUSKAVETS

#### **Caritas Truskavets**

#### • Truskavets



#### Support is both humanitarian aid and a space for stabilisation

In 2024, Caritas Truskavets worked with IDPs, organised children's activities, workshops, training sessions, and supported military families. Psychological counselling, medical care, and integration events contributed to emotional stabilisation and community strengthening.

«The year 2024 was filled with small miracles of humanity. We learned a lot, taught and, above all, inspired each other to do good. It was a year of great achievements and warm emotions. Today, I dream about peace, silence without sirens, and an Ukraine that believes in God, where goodness will no longer be heroism, but will become the norm.» — Fr. Petro Ivasivka, Head of Caritas Truskavets

In 2025, the team will focus on supporting veterans' families, providing psychological assistance to military families who have lost loved ones, and working with children and youth. The team also plans to create a sustainable social enterprise to support those in need and give them a chance at a new life.









# КАРІТАС КОЛОМИЯ CARITAS KOLOMYIA

# **Caritas Kolomyia**

#### • Kolomyia



Spaces that stitch communities together

In 2024, Caritas Kolomyia focused on supporting war victims, vulnerable people, and military families by developing Resilience Centres, supported living programs, and local initiatives, from a charity canteen to children's spaces and camps that bring communities together.

«For me, Caritas is not just about helping, but a real social service. I dream our centres will be associated with expertise, transparency, and trust. I want us to be a point of support and a driver of change in communities.» — Fr. Serhiy Trifiak, Head of Caritas Kolomyia

In 2025, the team plans to strengthen the medical field, including inpatient palliative care, and develop partnerships with the state in assisted living.



/olunteers







### **Caritas Zhovkva UGCC**

#### **O** Zhovkva



A service that unites the community

In 2024, the Caritas Zhovkva team combined humanitarian aid with spiritual support, working with military families, IDPs, and older people. Through volunteer initiatives, psychological support and cohesion activities, the organisation has become a support point for the community in difficult times.

«It's good that there are challenges. It is they that shape us and make us mobilise our strength. We want to be not just those who help, but those who build a cohesive and strong community.» — Fr. Stepan Makar, Head of Caritas Zhovkva, UGCC

In 2025 the team will open a Social Support and Training Centre, where everyone can find help, support, and a new beginning.











### **KAPITAC YEPHIBLI** CARITAS CHERNIVTSI

# **Caritas Chernivtsi Eparchy**

#### • Chernivtsi





In 2024, the team expanded its support for the most vulnerable: assistance to IDP children, inclusion, volunteering, combating human trafficking, psychological, legal, and medical support. Significant initiatives include an inclusive coffee shop, medical assistance projects, an international camp, and mobile field-kitchen trips. Each initiative strengthened communities and restored people's faith in dignity and care.

«My biggest dream is to see victory. Victory over evil, victory in the war, victory in the hearts and minds of people. So that we Ukrainians do not lose the ability to sacrifice, share, and be sensitive. Because this is the true strength.» — Fr. Lubomyr Ivanochko, Head of Caritas Chernivtsi

In 2025, the team plans to scale the coffee shop experience and develop employment programs for vulnerable groups.











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