# Celebrating Hope: A Glimpse of Good News from Ukraine!

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While we continue to see distressing news from Ukraine, and now witnessing similar heartbreaking events in Israel and Palestine, today I want to share some exciting updates from Ukraine with you, and to celebrate ways in which **your support is helping change lives.**

Together, we are helping ordinary people just like us, who led regular lives, had homes, kids, jobs, dreams… but one day, they were forced to flee, leaving everything behind. As they try to restart their lives, someone special is saying: *"We see you. We will help you!"*

**YOU are that special person!** And this fills my heart with so much gratitude and hope for a brighter future. I hope that you will enjoy learning about your impact so far, and will be inspired by our vision for the future.

## DIGNIFIED HOUSING

In April, thanks to your incredible support and trust, **we completed construction and opened a safe and comfortable residential center in Ukraine**, which is allowing 100 displaced people to move…

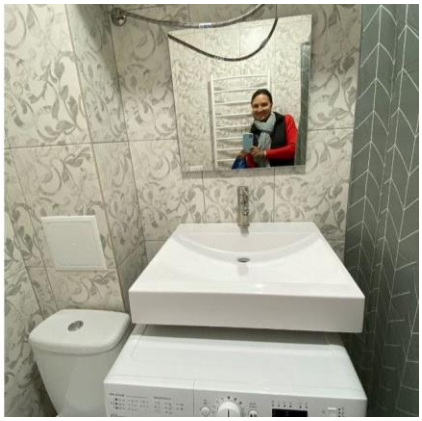
## From chaos, destruction and uncertainty…





# To stability, safety, and a place to call 'home'...





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## SOCIAL SUPPORT CENTER

Over the summer, your donations helped us **build a multifunctional social support center** which was opened in October. It features a play space, a dining room, a classroom and a common area - a sanctuary where families will receive services, skills and tools they need to become self-sufficient and less dependent on humanitarian aid - a key to their sustainable future. These longer-term solutions are very important for our mission.



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# PEOPLE YOU ARE HELPING

Last month I visited Ukraine and had the privilege of meeting some of the women and children who are finding a safe haven in our residential and social centers.

**Heartfelt thanks come to you from all of them, including:**







*(from left to right)*

- **Svitlana with teenage daughters from the Kherson region** who endured constant shelling for almost a year, just so that the girls could continue their schooling at home, but made the difficult decision to leave when life became unbearable with no access to drinking water. They're beyond grateful to be safe and comfortable in our center as they consider their next steps, and as the girls use the social center to study online.

- **Olena with her 5 and 7 y.o. sons from the Bakhmut area**, whose village is now destroyed and occupied by russian soldiers. After hiding in their cellar with barely any supplies for 3 weeks, and then escaping and moving continuously for 18 months they finally found stability, and feel so thankful to have settled in our center. Olena shares that the next step forward for her is about rebuilding her mental health.

- **Iryna with her son Pavlo from Mariupol** who do not talk much about their experience as it is so traumatic. At the same time, being an artist and a therapist by training she hopes to offer healing art therapy sessions to people in need, and we look forward to helping her with that.

# ADDITIONAL IMPACT - JOBS

Aside from helping women and children, you are also creating a broader impact as our projects offer job opportunities to breadwinners who would otherwise struggle to support their families. We aim to employ individuals who have been displaced or who come from

hotbeds of conflict where jobs are scarce. Your support has a profound and far-reaching impact on numerous lives!





# NEXT STEPS - MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT

Our work and impact do not stop with projects that we completed!

**Psychological support is now identified as the #1 need** for Ukrainian people on their journey to rebuilding their lives. As a needs-driven organization, our next steps involve programs aimed at restoring the mental health and emotional resiliency of Ukrainian people.

**CLICK HERE to learn more and consider supporting our continued mission of bringing hope and healing to Ukrainian families.**

**DONATE HERE**

As World attention on Ukraine is waning, we hope that **you will find it in your heart to stay with the people in need and not turn away,** and will consider contributing to continue your impact. Every donation, no matter the size, brings us one step closer to a brighter and a more secure future for the resilient people of Ukraine!

Thank you for your continued support and for being a beacon of hope in these challenging times.

With gratitude and optimism,

-Nadya



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*In Ukrainian* **'Nadiya'** *means* **'Hope'***. Not the kind of hope that everything will work out somehow, someday... But hope that human compassion, followed by the right action will lead to better outcomes for all. Join us in offering a gift of Hope to Ukrainian people!*

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