Digest of IDP communities January 2022





GENERAL OVERVIEW

According to the Unified database of internally displaced persons, as of July 6, 2021, there were 1.473.650 registered people who came from t emporary occupied territories of Donetsk and Luhansk regions and the Autonomous Republic of Crimea.

Opportunities

"Vidrodzhennia" international fund, together with the EU, announced a call for applications for a competition, "Crowdfunding for social entrepreneurship." This competition is organized within the project "EU4USociety". The deadline for applications is February 15, May 15, and September 15. The goal of this competition is to enforce the existing social enterprises, popularize social entrepreneurship, and establish a positive practice of funding social enterprises by the community. The priority of this competition is to encourage communities to support the existing social enterprises and to fund the creation of new ones.

Online course "Personal effectiveness 2.0" will help the students find their own recipe of productiveness – any time of the week and season. The deadline for registration is February 25.

Education Creative enterprise Ukraine teaches new educational methods for the creative industry. Students will have everything necessary to create a strong idea. They will receive consultations by various specialists, mentorship support, presentations, and access to the informational database. This eduthon will take place between March 31 and April 1 at the "Osvitoriia hub" in Kyiv. Everyone who is willing to participate needs to fill out a registration form.

Project grants for creative youth. The grant will help young people from remote areas between 16 and 25 years old to express themselves. That includes inclusive theater performances, cinema camps, urban laboratories that focus on rethinking public spaces, and other initiatives and encourage creativity. The deadline for application is February 21 at 3 pm.

The educational platform Zrozumilo has a multitude of various free courses. In order to access them, one just needs to go through a free registration process.

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NGO "Ruka dopomohy" got the first prize in a competition of social innovations, organized by the Carpathian fund. The organization was established in 2012. Since that time, it has implemented many projects in order to help Roma children. They organized several summer camps for Roma children and their parents. The recent camp happened in 2021. Over the years of their activity, they helped 372 children.

During recent years the NGO "Vektor-plius" from Pyriatyn actively advocated for allocating social housing for IDPs. As a result, in January 2022, according to a new plan of social-economic development, six apartments were purchased in Pyriatyn and Velyka Krucha to be used as social housing.

NGO "Laboratoria initsiatyvnoi molodi" with the help of the Embassy of the United Kingdom, fulfills a program "Active citizens," organized by British Councils. Within the framework of this program, the NGO organizes theater courses in a library. The courses are created to fulfill the needs of youth centers.

With the help of the NGO "Zakarpattia Donbas," Uzhorod municipal council participated in a program of purchasing housing for IDPs. Those homes were purchased with the use of the state and local budgets. In late 2021 two apartments were purchased for the needs of IDP families.

Legislation news

Instead of modular camps for IDPs, there will be blocks of flats constructed for the needs of IDPs.

In 2022 Ukraine plans to purchase 3000 apartments for IDPs.
According to the minister for the reintegration of temporarily occupied territories, Iryna Vereshchuk, at this time, "A very small number of IDPs received housing or an opportunity to get a mortgage with an accessible interest rate."

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Applications to the «CRIMEASOS» hotline

In January, 174 persons contacted the hotline and «CRIMEASOS» provided 385 initial legal consultations.

Equally urgent is the question of the crossing the administrative border with Crimea in both directions for the period of quarantine, obtaining a certificate of registration of an internally displaced person, establishing the facts of birth and death.