<u>'Let's Give Ukrainian Children Another Christmas This</u> Year, 2023' Plant & Hire Aid Alliance

January 2024



Plant & Hire Aid Alliance

Dear Supporters of the Plant and Hire Aid Alliance,

Thank you for your incredible support in making the 'Let's Give Ukrainian Children Another Christmas This Year' campaign a resounding success. Your generosity and kindness have touched the lives of countless Ukrainian children, bringing a glimmer of hope and joy during these challenging times.

This Christmas, the Plant and Hire Aid Alliance, in collaboration with numerous supporters from both within and outside our industry, came together to make a meaningful impact. Your contributions, whether through gifts or donations, played a crucial role in ensuring the success of our collective effort. We are truly humbled by the overwhelming support and the spirit of compassion that defines our community. A special acknowledgment goes out to our esteemed partners at Rotary International, whose efforts and dedication helped mobilize volunteers across Ukraine. These selfless individuals worked tirelessly to distribute the gifts to various cities, many of which are situated close to the front lines. The attached photographs capture the moments of joy and gratitude experienced by the children in these cities, reminding us of the profound impact of our collective efforts.

It is with deep appreciation that we recognise the significance of your support in reaching children in orphanages, especially during a time when their parents are bravely defending their homeland or have been reported missing. Your contributions have provided not just material gifts but also moments of comfort and reassurance to those facing adversity.

I also draw your attention to the ongoing challenges faced by the people of Ukraine. Despite the continued hardships and the grim realities of the war, your unwavering support sends a powerful message of solidarity and compassion. We understand that the situation in Ukraine remains dire, and your continued commitment to making a difference reflects the resilience and empathy within our community.

In a world where the daily struggles of millions can often be overshadowed, your collective support stands as a beacon of hope. Together, we have made a difference in the lives of Ukrainian children, reminding them that even in the midst of turmoil, the spirit of kindness and generosity prevails. Thank you for being the driving force behind 'Let's Give Ukrainian Children Another Christmas This Year.' Your compassion has created a brighter and more hopeful Christmas for those who need it most.

Best Regards

Jeremy Fish January 2024







Wrapathon Framlingham, UK 2nd December 2023

7,200 gifts wrapped by 100 volunteers





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Mini Wrapathon Kempston, UK

9th & 12th December 2023

2,200 gifts wrapped by 50 volunteers





Despatch Day

14th December 2023

15,000 gifts, 14 tonnes of flour, 4 tonnes of feminine hygiene products,1 tonne of petfood, clothes and domestic generators despatched on 2 x 40 ft artics. Destination Presov, East Slovakia, about an hour from the Ukrainian border







<u>Arrival</u> Presov, Slovakia

18th December 2023







<u>Chynadievo Orphanage and Queens Orphanage</u> Transcarpathia, Ukraine

Kindergartens for children whose parents have been lost because of the war







<u>Vynohradiv</u> Transcarpathia, Ukraine

Children's orphanages for parents in combat or reported missing































The village of Hrabkov as the applicant of the Primary School with Kindergarten

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Hope that you are enjoying this wonderful Christmas time !

I would like to say to you big Thank you , and big Thanks also on behalf of our children in school.

We really appreciate your support and donations. Your presents made children's pre- Christmas time really special.

So once again thank you, that you brough happiness, smiles to their faces, and shiny stars to their eyes.

We wish you all the best in New Year. We hope that all your dreams come in 2024!

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JUDr. Eva Humeňanská mayor of the village





<u>Zaporizhzhia</u> Ukraine

Russian forces have been engaged in ongoing attacks on Zaporizhzhia since the beginning of the invasion. The Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant has frequently been in the news, raising concerns about a potential nuclear meltdown.

Russian military forces frequently fire missiles on Zaporizhzhia. The Russians also launched S-300 missiles at a civilian convoy in Zaporizhzhia, killing at least 30 people. In October Russian forces launched rockets at residential buildings, killing at least 17 people.



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Kharkiv City Ukraine

Kharkiv was a major target for Russian forces in the eastern Ukraine campaign in 2022 before they were pushed back to the Russia-Ukraine border. The city remains under intermittent Russian fire.











The Christmas consignment included 14 tonnes of flour (donated by Westmill) and blankets





<u>Kupiansk</u> Ukraine

Kupiansk was occupied by the Russians up to September 2022. Since then the city has been repeatedly shelled including the central city hospital, high-rise buildings and a lyceum, the Kupiansk-Vuzlovyi railway station and others

































Dnipro Ukraine

The city has been under constant Russian bombardment. The most deadly of these attacks was on 14 January 2023 where a missile strike on an apartment building killed 40 people, and injured 75. An additional 46 people were reported missing.






















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In Ukraine, in these difficult times, we often face a choice: to buy gifts for our children or to support our defenders by investing in ammunition. This is our fight for the future and security of the country.

↓ Sincere words of thanks to ГО"ДАРУЙ ДОБРО УКРАїНА" for your continued support and nevtomnu work. Your inexhaustible energy and dedication to help is a true treasure.

Friends, thank you so much for your big heart and tireless efforts. You help create a brighter future for us all.

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<u>Kramatorsk</u> Donetsk Oblast, Donbas, Ukraine

On 8 April 2022, Kramatorsk was subjected to missile strikes. The Kramatorsk railway station was hit by Tochka-U missiles which killed at least 57 people and wounded at least 109 others. On 27 June 2023, a Russian missile strike killed at least 11 people and injured over 60 in a pizza restaurant in the centre of the city. The city continues to be shelled on a daily basis.





























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<u>Chuguyiv</u> Kharkiv Oblast, Ukraine

The city was occupied briefly by the Russians last year before being liberated by the Ukrainians



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<u>Kherson</u> Ukraine



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From March to November 2022, the city was occupied by Russian forces. Ukrainian forces recaptured the city on 11 November 2022. In June 2023, the city was flooded following the destruction of the nearby Kakhovka Dam





Borova Kharkiv Oblast, Ukraine

Borova was captured by the Russians in March 2022 before being liberated by the Ukrainians as part of their October 2022 counter-offensive.









<u>Odesa</u> Ukraine

The city of Odesa and the surrounding region have been the target of shelling and air strikes by Russian forces on multiple occasions since the war began, fired predominantly from Russian warships situated offshore in the Black Sea. The city has also been targeted by Russian cruise missiles.

The Transfiguration Cathedral in the Unesco world heritage-listed historic city centre was badly damaged earlier this year in a barrage of missile attacks that destroyed residential buildings and left dozens of people injured or killed.







Vice Mayor visit to the centre for children whose parents are reported missing or are in combat



Rotary club ODESA GLORY

26 December 2023 at 14:33 · 🔇

Christmas became a symbol of hope and kindness for Ukrainian children forced to leave their homes due to war and find refuge in Odessa. Today we congratulated little Ukrainians on this holiday.

This was made possible thanks to the English partners and the Rotary club of Košice and Фонд «Южная столица» and our representative in Europe Александр Ройтбург

The most important thing is that Ukrainian children received gifts that were packed for them English peers. This is a reminder that even in the darkest of times, human kindness and solidarity can bring light and joy. Initiatives like this underline the importance of international cooperation and mutual assistance, especially for those who experience the greatest difficulties.

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Oleksandr Roytburg is with Олександр Патрик and 18 others. 20 December 2023 at 00:20 - 🚱

As a representative of Rotary club ODESA GLORY and Ambassador of the city of Odessa last month I spent quite a few meetings with representatives of Rotary clubs of Slovakia. And there are already the first concrete results!)

Thanks to the English partners and the Rotary Club of Košice to Ukraine 2 petrol generators of different capacities are sent. Most of this humanitarian cargo will come exactly to the Odessa region.

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In addition to that, we are going to receive a thousand more children's Christmas presents from England.

I would like to express my special thanks to my new friend Andriy Baganich , due to his perseverance, hard work and patriotism, it has been possible to provide such extensive assistance to the Odessa region.

Thanks to all involved and we look forward to further cooperation!!!

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Volunteers wrap 7,200 gifts for Ukrainian children





Rainbow Centre for Social and Psychological Rehabilitation, Odesa



Oleksandr Roytburg is with Andriy Baganich and 19 others. 9m · 🕲

Another festive gift for the kids of the orphanage n1 odessa city.

Very grateful for these children's toys from England in our city, thanks to the work of many people, Rotary Clubs of Tri-Countries, and personally Jeremy Fish , Andriy Baganich .

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These gifts are hard to over estimate... God give all the kids health, and we have the strength to continue our activities despite all the problems and obstacles!))

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Orphanage No 1, Odesa City



Thank you to the following who provided additional support to the campaign























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