



Bassetlaw

DISTRICT COUNCIL

North Nottinghamshire

WAYS TO HELP UKRAINE

Donations

The Thievesdale Community Centre in Worksop will be used by the Worksop pomaga Ukrainie (Help for Ukraine) - a Polish community-led group that is arranging the collection of goods to be shipped to Poland to support refugees:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/648897162999593>

<https://www.worksopguardian.co.uk/.../worksop-community...>

Medical products, toiletries, and tools

Drop-off points at:

- Sweetbox Direct, 76 Carolgate, Retford
- Ballards Removals, Storage and Van Hire, Business Park, Old London Road, Markham Moor
- The Zen Den, Grove Street, Retford
- Brown & Co, Grove Street, Retford
- Morrisons Retford (cage in the store).

Giving money

The advice is to donate through one of the recognised routes:

UKRAINE HUMANITARIAN APPEAL – DISASTER EMERGENCY COMMITTEE (DEC)

<https://www.dec.org.uk/appeal/ukraine-humanitarian-appeal>

BRITISH RED CROSS

<https://donate.redcross.org.uk/appeal/ukraine-crisis-appeal>

ASSOCIATION OF UKRAINIANS IN GREAT BRITAIN (AUGB)

<http://www.gofundme.com/f/helpukraine...>

Be aware that there is a 2.9% fee on all donations that go through Go Fund Me – so £100 donated would realise £97. Whereas a £100 donation to DEC would potentially realise £125 with Gift Aid added – also the UK government has committed to match any donations pound-for-pound up to £20m. So, £100 could realise £225.

REGULATORS URGE SAFE GIVING TO SUPPORT UKRAINE

The Charity Commission and Fundraising Regulator have urged the public to 'give safely' to registered charities helping and supporting those affected by the invasion of Ukraine.

By giving to a registered, regulated charity, the public can have assurance that their funds will be accounted for in line with the charity law framework. Established charities with experience of responding to disasters are usually best placed to reach victims on the ground.

People looking to donate to causes working in Ukraine and neighbouring countries, should make a few simple checks before giving:

- check the charity's name and registration number at www.gov.uk/checkcharity
- make sure the charity is genuine before giving any financial information
- be careful when responding to e-mails or clicking on links within them
- contact or find out more online about the charity that you're seeking to donate to, or work with, to understand how it is spending the funds
- look out for the Fundraising Badge on charity fundraising materials: this is the logo that shows that a charity has committed to fundraise in line with the Code of Fundraising Practice.

Many charities operate in Russia and may come under increasing pressure as a result of the implications of sanctions, difficulties in transferring funds, and because of the operating environment for civil society in that country. To keep up to date with the latest financial sanctions, charities can sign up to e-alerts from HM Treasury and find guidance from the Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation (OFSI).

All charities should also know their donors, and consider whether or not to accept donations, including where there may be a reputational implication for them in doing so. Charities are encouraged to read the latest government guidance in light of the current international context as well as the general guidance on managing risks when working internationally. Councils are encouraged to share this information as appropriate:

www.gov.uk/government/news/regulators-urge-safe-giving-to-support-ukraine