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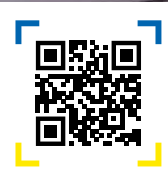
Ukrainian civil society plays an active role in the recovery process in Ukraine, not only as a watchdog but also as an active contributor to projects on the ground. Civil society has supported the government at critical moments, and that is why it is considered a reliable partner. At the local level, CSOs can prioritise the needs of communities and provide immediate support. Since the start of the full-scale war, Ukrainian CSOs have allocated more than UAH 33.96 billion (almost \$1 billion) to recovery projects and humanitarian aid, which shows that people trust CSOs and that they work efficiently.

In order to showcase the role of Ukrainian civil society in recovery processes, Ednannia has created a unique photo exhibition called **"Mission Possible: Rebuilding Ukraine Now"**. The exhibit presents 11 locations that were rebuilt thanks to CSO activities. Some of these facilities were destroyed as the result of Russian attacks whilst others needed urgent restoration to sustain life in the affected communities. The 11 photo panes present images of the reconstruction sites from BEFORE and AFTER and recount a brief story of the community effort. A QR code takes the viewer to the civil society organisations' websites.

THE EXHIBITION FEATURES THE STORIES OF:

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The exhibition has been organised by ISAR Ednannia as part of the USAID Ukraine Civil Society Sectoral Support Activity. The exhibition was created for the Chatham House conference entitled "Shaping the new Ukraine: Delivering resilient recovery", which is being held in conjunction with the International Ukraine Recovery Conference 2023.



NGO "Building Ukraine Together"

In March 2022, the administrative building of the State Emergency Service in Makariv completely burned down after being hit by two Russian missiles.

Volunteers of the NGO "Building Ukraine Together" helped restore the building. While State Emergency Service staff were restoring the roof, 90 volunteers from BUT worked inside. First, they cleared out rubble and washed the soot

from the walls and floors. Then they disinfected the surfaces and carried out repair work.

Working together, staff and volunteers completely restored the second floor of the State Emergency Service building. It is now fully operational again.





Charitable Organization "Brave Foundation"

The full-scale invasion radically changed the lives of all Ukrainians.

Even the usual "tolokas" [communal volunteer work] acquired a new meaning – because now volunteers don't just clear up litter in green spaces, they also remove debris caused by the impact of Russian shells.

The "Brave to Rebuild" volunteering initiative of charitable organization "Brave Foundation" travels through the cities of

Ukraine and "brings them back to life". Since it was founded, the initiative has attracted around 2,000 volunteers.

Among the buildings damaged by bombing, shelling and occupation, the group has cleared 140+ private houses, 130+ apartments, 2 schools, 2 kindergartens, 3 shelters and prepared the Irpin Stadium for reconstruction.





Kyiv School of Economics Charitable Foundation

On 28 March 2022, a medical clinic in the village of Makariv, in Kyiv Region, was destroyed by a direct hit from a Russian missile. All that remained were the charred ruins.

The Charitable Foundation of the Kyiv School of Economics (KSE Foundation) team undertook the complete restoration of the building.

Specialists poured a new foundation, installed a ceiling and built a modern clinic to international standards on the site of the destroyed facility.

Thanks to the efforts of the KSE Foundation and thousands of benefactors, almost 20,000 patients can once again receive quality medical care.





NGO "Dobrobat"

The terrible story of the occupation of Yahidne horrified Ukrainians and people around the world. The atrocities of the Russian military, which held hundreds of people hostage in the school basement, will be remembered for a long time. Almost every house in the village was looted and gutted by the occupiers. Understanding how important and necessary it was to help, "Dobrobat" carried out the first stage of the restoration of Yahidne.

Thanks to Dobrobat volunteers, more than 20 houses in Yahidne were urgently rebuilt: roofs were repaired, windows

were installed, walls were partially restored, and internal repair work was carried out in the houses. About 80 families will now feel at home again.

Since it was founded, the Dobrobat team helped more than 2,700 Ukrainian families, urgently restoring roofs in 250+ houses and repairing windows in 150+ houses. Activists restored more than 80 social infrastructure facilities. Currently, Dobrobat centres operate in Kyiv, Chernihiv, Sumy, Kharkiv, Mykolaiv, Zaporizhia and Kherson regions.





International Charitable Foundation "SaveED"

Russia does not only destroy military targets. It destroys residential buildings and hospitals and burns down kindergartens and schools. In some places, Ukrainian school-children cannot continue their education in safety.

The International Charitable Foundation "SaveED" systematically restores educational spaces. In particular, the team restored a school and a kindergarten in the village of Bohdanivka, Brovary District, Kyiv Region, which were destroyed by a Russian missile.

"SaveED" is also engaged in restoring classrooms in Chernihiv School 20, significantly damaged by bombing in March last year. At the same time, school 3 was lucky to remain unscathed. Now here, in the shelter of an educational institution, the foundation has set up a centre that allows children to carry on their studies even during an air raid.





NGO "Sphere of Youth"

On 27 February 2022, a rocket attack destroyed the premises of the Chernihiv Regional Youth Centre. The city's young people lost an accessible space for learning and networking, and the centre's employees lost their jobs.

The building currently requires enormous amounts of investment for its reconstruction because it occupies an area of more than 2,000 square meters. Volunteers designed a project to restore the centre and launched a fundraising campaign to collect funds to rebuild it.

But the group decided not to wait for the old premises to be restored and instead took action immediately. Thanks to the

efforts of "Sphere of Youth" as part of a pilot event of the "VidNOVA:UA" national programme, volunteers and civil society activists found an abandoned building, and in just five days, turned it into a space suitable for working and holding events.

As part of a "toloka" [communal volunteer work], participants from different cities knocked down walls, puttied and painted, poured concrete on parts of the floor, installed new sanitary ware and assembled furniture. And they studied and learned new things about the region.





NGO "Modern Format"

Since the beginning of the full-scale invasion, more than 6.5 million people have been forced to leave their homes near the war zone and seek housing in other regions of Ukraine. Over time, the capacity of host communities was exhausted, and the only option for many IDPs was shelters, which were not suitable for most of their needs.

The NGO "Modern Format" decided to provide housing for IDPs in the city of Zviagel, Zhytomyr Region.

To do this, they found part of a building that the city had allocated to implement the project. The organization's team plans to prepare seven furnished smart apartments for internally displaced persons before the start of the heating season.

Unlike communal shelters, separate housing for IDPs makes it possible to keep families together and helps them adapt more confidently to a new community.





MHP – Gromadi

The village of Rudnytske is one of the numerous settlements in the Kyiv region that suffered during the occupation. The MHP – Gromadi charity foundation supported work to restore residential buildings, financing the repair and reconstruction of 11 homes for families.

Thanks to a micro-grant competition called "Time to act, Ukraine!" held by the foundation, a modern space was created in the village where children and young people can realize their creative potential.

The MUSTETSKA KOMORA uses the space, where antiques, works by folk craftspeople and modern works of art are stored. The creativity room is designed to promote the development and involvement of young people, as well as the preservation of community customs and traditions.





NGO "Bridge of Changes"

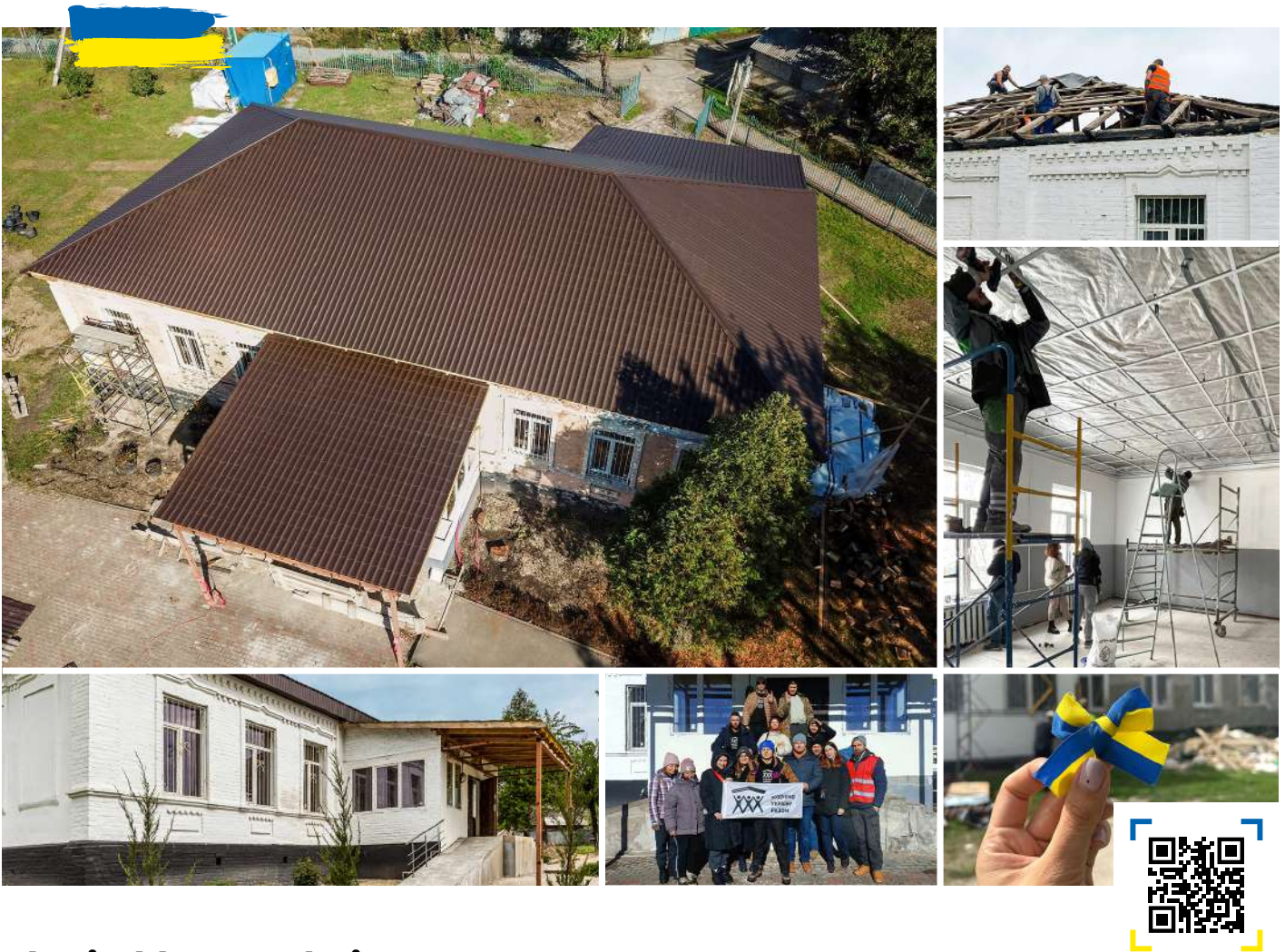
Education must go on despite air-raid alerts! Volunteers of the "Bridge of Changes" volunteer organisation were guided by this principle when they saw the condition of Bucha' Lyceum 4.

Participants from all over Ukraine came to restore the basement and sports hall of the educational institution as part of the "VidNOVA:UA" national programme.

Thirty activists worked to equip the basement of the school for children to shelter in during air raids. They also updated the lyceum's gym.

In addition to carrying out building work, the volunteers also got to know the host community, studied examples of youth participation and got to know each other.





Charitable Foundation "GURTUM"

Children are suffering the most in this war. They have lost the chance to live a full life focused on learning, playing with peers and enjoying comprehensive development.

That is why the "GURTUM" Charitable Foundation has been helping the communities of Hostomel and Moschun for a year. One of the main tasks was to restore the destroyed elementary school in Hostomel, and the work is nearing completion. The volunteers focused their most recent

efforts on building a bomb shelter, which is necessary for the school to be able to open. Next in line is a shelter for a school and a kindergarten for 100 children.

Projects for children have their own unique features. In order for children and schoolchildren to feel comfortable in bomb shelters and be able to study calmly, activists turn grey, sad dungeons into bright and impregnable citadels capable of protecting the kids from all dangers.





NGO "Semyarusna Gora"

Entire cities of Ukraine were destroyed as a result of Russia's devastating actions. Historical places, such as Pryzlers' Inn Yard in Lutsk, were also left without proper care.

In 2022, the "Semyarusna Gora" team decided to create an urban laboratory – an environment for urban activists in which, together with architects, urban planners and analysts, they could work out experimental approaches to the post-war urban planning of public spaces. The uniqueness of this project lies in the fact that it was financed by the Ukrainian community thanks to the crowdfunding platforms "BIG IDEA" and "Spilnokosht".

The first example to be studied was the Pryzlers' Inn Yard, a 20th century architectural monument in Lutsk. Its buildings were in an unusable condition. The team conducted sociological and spatial research, developed solutions and experimental approaches, and carried out restoration of the space during a volunteer camp called "Building Ukraine Together". It is planned to apply the experience and results of the project in the post-war reconstruction of liberated Ukrainian cities.





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