From: John Siemienowicz <jay4steel@jaysteel.com> Sent: Monday, March 21, 2022 4:46 PM Subject: RE: District 7870 Ukraine Relief Initiative Update

Hello District 7870 Presidents & Friends,

As a result of teaming with our Companion Rotary District 2231 in Poland we have been able to expedite humanitarian relief to those who need it!

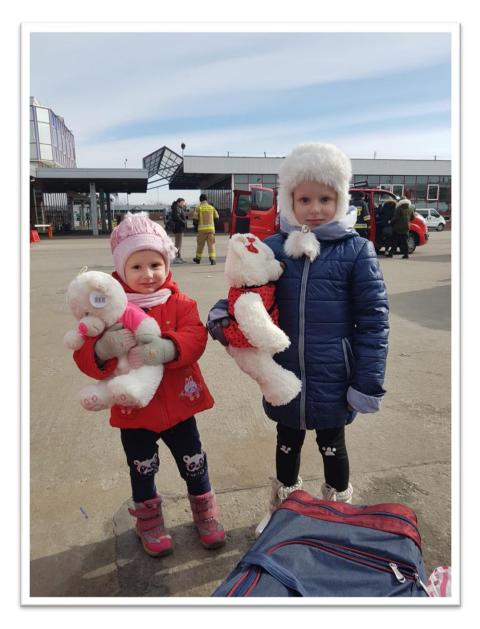
Our first transfer of financial aid to the Zamość Ordynacki Rotary was \$5,000USD has been received and is being used to help provide relief to Refugee Women & Children Fleeing Ukraine into South Eastern Poland.



This coordinated relief work is being made possible by our Friends DGE Poitr (Peter) Jankowski and DGND Krystyna Baj-Pawlauk from our New Companion District 2231 the Country of Poland.



This first wire transfer was sent out on Monday March 14<sup>th</sup> and confirmed by DGE Piotr on Tuesday March 15<sup>th</sup>.



I realize by this photo that some comfort is being provided!!!!



Whatever you are doing even outside of Ukrainian Relief as District 7870 Rotarians is making a difference in this Rotary Year of "Serve To Change Lives".



Some how the resilience of humans can find a way for a little happiness.



But also heartbreak! (We love you little buddy.)



Sometimes it doesn't even take money to provide relief.



Our Polish Rotarins are stepping up and taking in and providing shelter without question.



Our next wire transfer tomorrow will be going to Lublin Central Rotary to help out-fit a field hospital to help address the wounded of Ukraine.

Below is my update email from my new Rotarian friend Maciek (Mateo) Karczmarczuk from Lublin Poland. With special thanks to Lublin Central Rotary President Grzegorz (Gregory) Wojcikowski we will be a major part of the Field Hospital fit-out.

## Dear John Bob,

I am very glad to hear from you that is a wonderful testimony of Rotarian solidarity around the world. I will be happy to meet you for the zoom on the date you propose. I will adapt. Will you send me a zoom link or should I do it? We can also arrange everything by e-mail. I don't know how it would be better because I caught some nasty stomach flu virus today as a result of contact with refugees and I feel horrible (temperature, vomiting, diarrhea and whatever the devil thinks to tease a mankind). But all this is not important, because time is running out and every minute counts, because there in Ukraine people are dying, and those who are living are dramatically crying out for help. The Russian Army. They commit crimes against civilians, bomb schools and hospitals. They cannot cope with the Ukrainian army, they take revenge on civilians

The needs are huge. We cannot throw ourselves at everything. So we have three main directions and we want to do it well. :

- organization of a field hospital on the Polish-Ukrainian border (in close cooperation with International Police Association – brancches in Lublin and Cracow) purchase of three ambulances including (together with Rotary Clubs from Warsaw),
- Temporary residence center for families in Krasnstaw,
- Residence center in the center for the blind in Wojciechów transformed into the all kind of refugees residence center (together with two remaining Lublin clubs
- Reloading center for gifts from Poland and abroad for trucks in the hangar of one of our members in Lublin.

The Rotary Club of Lublin Centeral is the coordinator and logistic organizer of these undertakings made in cooperation with other clubs D-2231 and Rotary Club from Ostend (Belgium), Lancaster (UK) and Pamplona (Spain). Everyone of them has one specific episode to finance. And this is what we propose to you.

Depending on your financial capacity, I suggest that you finance one (or more) of the below specific urgent needs referred to the field hospital being organized on the border. Today I spoke to the head of this hospital, Dr. Krochmal, and according to him, the most urgent needs are:

- 1. A set of surgical tools for the field hospital, which we have already delivered on credit because it was very urgent need and now we are looking for money
- 2. Mobile bone and pulmonary X-ray machine, which can be used to perform an examination inside and outside the building
- 3. Surgical operating table with portable lamps
- 4. Complete gynecological chair with accessories
- 5. Painkillers, anti-inflammatory drugs, dressing kits, antibiotics etc

This hospital will cooperate with the stationary hospital in the nearby city of Lutsk. The best form of your help would be a financial transfer to the account of our Rotary Club LublinCentrum. Settlement of subsidies will be made in the form of purchase invoices and a detailed report. All Rotary gifts are labeled with the Rotary logo Looking forward to hearing from you soon My Best Regards

Mateo



I will thank Dr. Krochmal from all us in Rotary District 7870.

I am confident that we will completely meet the financial needs of the field hostipal fit-out items requested.

Then on to working on the Residence Center for the blind and handicapped in Wojciechów to be transformed into a Multi-Purpose Ukrainian refugees residence center.

Please feel free to share with your Club Members !

Thank You All For What You Are Doing,

John Bob

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