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Johanniter in Ukraine

Our Goal

To ensure that people affected by the war in Ukraine can access essential healthcare and receive the support they need – regardless of where they live or how vulnerable they are.

We work to maintain access to essential health services, particularly for people living in frontline and hard-to-reach areas, while strengthening local health systems to better respond to the ongoing impact of the war.

Our commitment to Ukraine

We stand with the people of Ukraine and remain committed to supporting communities affected by the war.

Our work focuses on addressing urgent humanitarian needs while helping to strengthen local structures and services for the longer term. We work closely with local partners and communities to ensure that assistance is relevant, accessible and reaches those who need it most.

We place particular emphasis on people facing additional barriers to healthcare and support, including older people, people with disabilities, people with chronic illnesses, internally displaced people and those living in hard-to-reach areas.

What we have achieved in 2025

184.000

people have been supported by us and our local partners.

12.912

internally displaced persons were supported with vouchers and legal aid.

100

women are being treated for hepatitis C in four outpatient clinics run by our partner organization.

1.367

mothers and their children found a safe accommodation in the Eleos shelters.

561

people were evacuated from the dangerous frontline to safer places.

Focus sectors in this region



Emergency response and preparedness



Health



Organisational Quality and Accountability

Our work

Healthcare

We support access to essential primary healthcare and help health facilities maintain and improve services in conflict-affected areas. This includes medical supplies and equipment, treatment and diagnostics, outreach activities and support for continuity of care, particularly for people with chronic conditions.

Mental health and psychosocial support

We integrate mental health and psychosocial support into our health activities and support people affected by the psychological impact of the war. We also support healthcare workers facing high levels of stress and pressure.

Support for vulnerable communities

We work to reach people who face particular challenges in accessing healthcare and other essential services – including older people, people with disabilities, people with chronic illnesses and internally displaced people. Community-based and outreach approaches help bring support closer to those who cannot easily access regular services.

Health system resilience

We support local health systems in preparing for and responding to emergencies. Our work includes contingency planning, emergency preparedness, pre-positioning of essential supplies and measures to help health facilities cope with disruptions such as attacks and power outages.

Protection and emergency support

Where needed, our work also contributes to safe and dignified evacuation and provides protection, legal and psychosocial support to people affected by displacement.

About us

We support people around the world by providing emergency relief and disaster preparedness, promoting health and strengthening livelihoods. We do this by building trusting relationships with local partner organisations, listening and learning with and from each other. Together, we create a network of humanity that supports people in crisis.

Our Background

Johanniter International Assistance is the humanitarian aid department of Johanniter-Unfall-Hilfe e.V., a German non-governmental organisation, dedicated to excellence in the field of health care and social services. With a current total of 31,000 full-time employees, more than 46,000 volunteers and 1.2 million supporting members, Johanniter is one of the largest aid organisations in Europe.

Johanniter is a key provider in the areas of rescue and ambulance services, disaster management, first aid training, care and nursing of the elderly, sick and refugees and other assistance in the charitable sector.

With nationwide more than 300 ambulance stations and 184 civil protection units, Johanniter acts as a strong partner for German federal, state and local governments in providing essential services to its citizens.

Johanniter-Unfall-Hilfe is part of the wider network of the Johanniter Order, which also coordinates 126 health and care facilities throughout Germany.

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