

ICRC ACTIVITIES IN LUHANSK AND DONETSK

FACTS & FIGURES

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MAIN HIGHLIGHTS

- As the armed conflict affecting Donetsk and Luhansk continues, the impact on civilians living in frontline communities remains profound.
- The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) **has been operating on the ground since 2014**, assisting some of the most vulnerable groups affected by the grinding conflict. In 2024, we remained dedicated to our commitment, working in collaboration with our local operational partners in Donetsk and Luhansk.
- The ICRC has also assisted families of those who are missing or who have been detained or interned in connection with the armed conflict. Our teams have answered more than **1,900 phone calls**, opened around **700 requests** from families searching for relatives, and exchanged over **650 personal messages** between detainees and their families.
- This document provides an overview of **key activities**, which were conducted jointly with our local partners in 2024.

DONETSK



EMERGENCY HOUSING AND WATER SUPPORT

Around 7,300 people received emergency materials to repair homes damaged by shelling, while **861 residents** in frontline communities received **1,100 tons of construction materials** to help rebuild their homes.

620,000 L of bottled water, and **30 water storage tanks**, were delivered to four health facilities, eight centers for displaced persons and around 1,970 individuals experiencing water shortages.

12.5 tons of operational and maintenance materials were provided to local water management body.



EMERGENCY RELIEF & RECOVERY ASSISTANCE

Around **34,500 food parcels** and **27,000 hygiene kits** were distributed to conflict-affected people, such as the displaced, across **15 communities**, including Donetsk and Mariupol.

1,833 individuals in more than 20 locations were provided with essential household and personal hygiene items.

377 households in **18 communities** of Novoazovsk district received necessary items for poultry farming.

285 families of missing persons were provided with food and hygiene parcels and **108 families of missing persons** in 7 locations with children under 18 received **150 gift cards** to purchase school supplies.

SUPPORT TO SOCIAL CARE PROVIDERS



14 social institutions which provide services to about **5,225 individuals** received sewing and hairdresser equipment, electrical appliances, maintenance and minor repair tool kits, trolley bags and other items for the provision of services to vulnerable communities.

13 temporary accommodation centers, sheltering 463 displaced persons, received cleaning supplies. Six other similar centers accommodating **622 people** were supplied with folding beds, bed linens, pillows, electrical appliances, and other essential items.



HEALTH

Ten hospitals in and around Donetsk received medical consumables (including gloves and dressing kits) and materials for infection and prevention control.

One diabetic medical center in Donetsk was supported with **88,400 lancets** for use by diabetic patients, as well as received from us infection prevention and control items.

One aged-care facility received walking aids and other items to support daily life activities of **around 30 people**.



WEAPON CONTAMINATION

5,000 mine risk awareness signs, **10 risk awareness billboards** and **250,000 meters** of marking tape were donated to the local structures responsible for the clearance of civilian areas contaminated by mines and explosive remnants of war, to support reducing risks to civilians.



ENHANCING THE CAPACITY OF THE OPERATIONAL PARTNER

1,000 emergency dry food rations were donated to a local partner for further ad-hoc distribution to affected communities.

Personal **hygiene items** and **trolley bags** were provided to the local partner to help **200** socially vulnerable elderly individuals living alone.

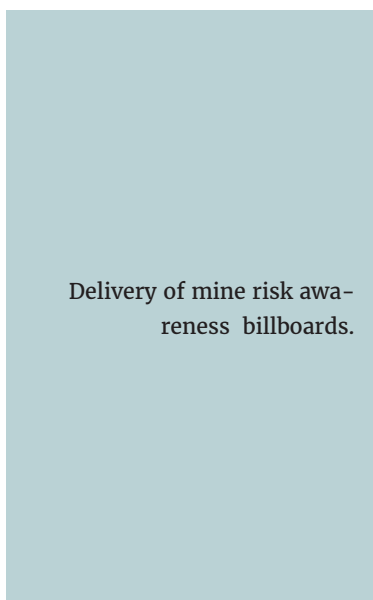
690 physical rehabilitation items, including 185 wheelchairs, were donated to the local partner to support their services for persons with disabilities.

Two **information sessions** on humanitarian forensic work were conducted for the staff of the local partner.



Water storage tanks for distribution to healthcare institutions and centers for displaced persons.

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Delivery of mine risk awareness billboards.



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Distribution of items for poultry farming to affected population.

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LUHANSK



EMERGENCY RELIEF ASSISTANCE

5,060 food parcels and **hygiene kits** were distributed to people affected by the conflict. Additionally, **1,052 displaced people** in one community received essential household items.

3,000 bedridden individuals received hygiene items, bedding, and other essential items.

15 social institutions, which provide support to more than **3,000 individuals**, received kitchen equipment, utensils, electrical appliances, and furniture.



WATER SUPPORT

Around **120,000 people** from three districts have improved access to water following donation of **15 tons** of water distribution equipment to Luhansk water management body. We also donated **88 tons** of construction materials to facilitate rehabilitation of water pumping stations and wastewater treatment plant.



HEALTH

Two hospitals received biomedical equipment: Bryanka Hospital got biomedical equipment for its intensive care unit, while Luhansk perinatal center received equipment for the operation theater.

Oxygen storage and supply set up completed in **Bryanka Hospital** which supports a **6 bed capacity intensive care unit** and two operating theatres.

Three social institutions for elderly people with disabilities received items to support daily life activities.



SUPPORT FOR LOCAL FORENSIC SERVICES

34,700 forensic items, such as body bags and personal protective equipment were donated to local search and recovery teams for the safe and dignified management of the dead.

A project was initiated **to strengthen the Schastie Branch** of the Medico-Legal Bureau, enhancing its capacity for the safe and dignified management of the dead.



ENHANCING CAPACITY OF THE OPERATIONAL PARTNER

600 physical rehabilitation items, including 30 wheelchairs, were donated to the operational partner to support their services for people with disabilities.

One vehicle was donated to facilitate the operational partner's humanitarian operations.

Various essential household items, such as towels, mattresses, pillows, furniture, and electric appliance were donated to the operational partner to support **450 displaced people** in Luhansk town.

3,500 mine signs were donated for distribution to the most affected communities.

26 volunteers and staff from the local operational partner attended ICRC training session on the risk awareness and safer behaviour. We also donated **communication materials** and **technical equipment** to support their sessions in conflict-affected communities.

We help people around the world affected by armed conflict and other violence, doing everything we can to protect their lives and dignity and to relieve their suffering, often with our Red Cross and Red Crescent partners. We also seek to prevent hardship by promoting and strengthening humanitarian law and championing universal humanitarian principles.

Cover photograph: Delivery of items for poultry farming.
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