Dear Colleagues,

At the end of last week, <u>Jewish Federations allocated an additional \$9.2M</u>, <u>coming to a grand total of</u> <u>\$24.5M</u> to meet immediate needs in Ukraine and in surrounding countries, including:

- Providing housing, clothing, medication, cash assistance, mental health services, security, and transportation for refugees fleeing the war and those seeking to make Aliyah.
- Ensuring the secure evacuation of affected individuals from areas under immediate threat or where active hostilities are already taking place.
- Expediting the rapid Aliyah of those individuals or families who wish to move to Israel and facilitate their absorption on arrival.
- Trauma-focused therapy and emotional first-aid training for those helping refugees outside of Ukraine, as well as mental health professionals treating patients inside of Ukraine.
- Supporting delegations of medical professionals on the ground in Poland and Moldova to treat incoming refugees.

See <u>today's Ukraine Crisis update</u> to learn how our Federations are meeting the needs of Ukrainian Jewry.

This <u>one pager</u> shows the incredible impact of our collective work. The <u>marketing toolkit</u> contains a slew of new social media posts, graphics, talking points, personal stories, videos, and other helpful resources. New assets being are being added every day.

Watch <u>this video</u> on Federation impact in Ukraine and on Capitol Hill.

On Friday, Jewish Federations, along with other North American Jewish organizations, sent a letter to President Biden asking him to live up to the United States' proud legacy of serving as a beacon for immigrants. We asked him to share responsibility for those refugees with the European countries currently doing so, and to extend special asylum to those refugees with family in the United States.

The humanitarian crisis resulting from the war in Ukraine has disproportionately affected women and children. This **Tuesday, March 15 at 3pm ET,** right in time for the <u>Fast of Esther</u>, you and your communities have the opportunity to join JFNA's National Women's Philanthropy for **LIVE FROM INSIDE UKRAINE** for an <u>update</u> on the latest developments concerning the war. Meet incredible women from the frontlines and hear why and how this crisis is impacting women and children in particular. This webinar is open to the entire system.

We'll receive live updates from JDC, the Jewish Agency for Israel, United Hatzalah and Project Kesher, a Jewish women's leadership nonprofit that is meeting the needs of women and girls in Ukraine as they face the current crisis and its fallout. <u>REGISTER HERE</u>.

All the best,

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