

**KSE | Foundation**



# **REPORT**

September 2023

# SEPTEMBER: INVESTING IN HUMAN CAPITAL

Dear friends and supporters,

This month marked a significant milestone for the Kyiv School of Economics (KSE) Foundation. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, we welcomed 13,000 Ukrainian children into their native schools on September 1st. We have now amassed over \$2.4 million in funds dedicated to providing children with shelters. This monumental achievement reflects not only our team's dedication but also a brighter future for Ukraine: a nation that remains vibrant, innovative, and educated even amidst war.

Throughout this journey, we've been bolstered by the unwavering support of remarkable companies, both Ukrainian and international, as well as thousands of individuals who believe in our cause, including many friends of KSE from overseas.

Furthermore, in September, we were thrilled to announce a new collaboration with the Olena Zelenska Foundation, helmed by the First Lady of Ukraine. Together, we are venturing to equip an additional seven shelters in schools and kindergartens.



**SVITLANA DENYSENKO**  
Director of KSE Foundation

## Arrangement of shelters for Ukrainian schools

Thanks to your support of the "ZAKHYSTOK: Safe Education" project, thousands of schoolchildren were able to return to in-person learning after a prolonged period of remote classes and significant social and educational losses caused by distance learning. The availability of shelters that meet all requirements remains a fundamental condition for the resumption of offline learning.



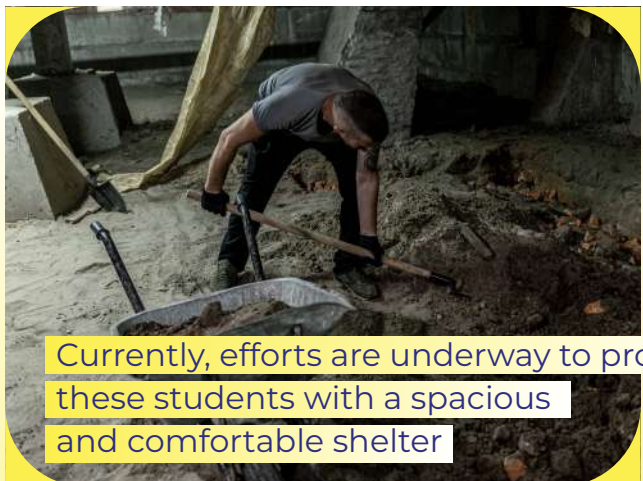
Children were compelled to using the school shelters, outfitted through our collective efforts, on the very first day back to school. However, now instead of dark and damp basements, they sought refuge from the threat of enemy attacks in specially equipped shelters.

On behalf of the parents of each student and the entire KSE Foundation team, I sincerely thank you for protecting our children.

More than 3,000 educational institutions in Ukraine still lack the necessary protective structures. Therefore, the fundraising for shelters provision continues. Every dollar makes a significant contribution and allows us to refurbish more shelters.



Schoolchildren of Kremenchuk Lyceum receive their certificates in the basement of the old school building during air alerts



Currently, efforts are underway to provide these students with a spacious and comfortable shelter



## Enhancing Defense Capabilities

This month, we persisted in equipping frontline brigades with the reconnaissance drones. These advanced devices play a pivotal role in early detection of enemy movements, proving to be lifesavers on a daily basis.

We're also engaged in systematic initiatives to enhance the military's proficiency in operating reconnaissance unmanned aerial vehicles. This is achieved through our collaboration with the "Drone Army" project, a joint venture involving the Ministry of Defense, Ministry of Digital Transformation, the Armed Forces of Ukraine, State Special Communications, and UNITED24.



## Assistance to Medical Facilities

In collaboration with the British charitable foundation Urgent Project, we have provided medical equipment worth \$40,000 to the Kropyvnytskyi Maternity Hospital. This includes transport and neonatal incubators, biochemical analyzers, reagents, and more. In September, these devices aided in the swift transport to the intensive care unit and evacuation to shelters of dozens of newborns during frequent air alerts.

Also in September, we allocated \$27,393 for providing essential medical goods and services to Ukrainians.



## Educational Scholarships

September ushered in not just a new academic year for schoolchildren but also a new chapter for University students. Even in the shadow of the war, Ukraine's youth remains resilient, ever-eager to learn, grow, and play their part in rebuilding the nation. This year, the Kyiv School of Economics proudly opened its doors to 547 fresh faces. This diverse group includes war heroes, children of the fallen, and youngsters displaced by the war. With your support, we've been able to grant them full scholarships for their entire academic journey.

Our mission to support war veterans in transitioning to civilian life through education remains unwavering. To further this cause and extend scholarships to more wounded soldiers, military offspring, and gifted youth, we've collaborated with renowned Ukrainian artist Oleksandr Grekhov. We recently co-hosted an art exhibit featuring Oleksandr's works that illuminate the boundless generosity of Ukrainians. Since the war's escalation, a groundswell of national unity and philanthropy has emerged. Countless Ukrainians contribute daily to charitable endeavors, fortifying our nation's defenses and hastening our path to peace. This wave of altruism isn't just heartwarming; it's historic. Every day, millions dig deep, allocating a significant slice of their earnings to bolster the country.



**Thanks to the generous donations of KSE Foundation benefactors, military doctor Kyrylo Savichan was afforded the opportunity to pursue a new profession.**

Kyrylo is the commander of the medical unit in the Armed Forces of Ukraine. Since 2015, he has supervised the work of hospitals in 25% of the entire area where the anti-terrorist operation took place and managed the treatment during the evacuation stages of wounded soldiers. Thousands of military personnel gained experience in tactical medicine with him, studying in the combat zone – 150 meters from the enemy.

And now Kyrylo is also a student of the Kyiv School of Economics!

The military doctor received a grant from the KSE Foundation for all academic years to obtain a master's degree in Public Policy and Governance. He chose this specialization, because after the victory he plans to work on European integration processes in the country.

“Now I have the opportunity to attend a university, get a quality education and develop in parallel with the continuation of my service. We're all a little burned out by war because it's blood, grief, tears, and sweat. The war forced me to learn to acquire new knowledge very quickly. Now this skill will be useful in the reconstruction of the state thanks to studying at KSE”, – said Kyrylo Savichan.

The military doctor participated in the defense of Kyiv in the Brovary direction – then he replaced the previous head of the medical service, who died during the evacuation of wounded soldiers. However, he began his fight against the enemy back in 2015.



“At the beginning of 2015, we were evacuating patients at one of the military airfields near Kharkiv. Then we saw the Mi-8 rotorcraft in the air, which had been in storage for decades. That's when we realized that we will win, because our most important capital is those people who can launch even such a technique. Thanks to people, we will win. Although it will be a long way”, – says Kyrylo Savichan.

Today, Kyrylo still continues his service and sometimes goes on long-term trips to monitor the work of hospitals in Donetsk and Dnipropetrovsk regions.

We are proud to see Kyrylo among KSE students!

The scholarship program for obtaining the desired higher education for military personnel, their children, children of fallen soldiers and children of IDPs exists thanks to the benefactors of the KSE Foundation.

[Make a contribution to the provision of educational grants](#)





## KSE students

The KSE Foundation proudly supports the educational programming of KSE University, ensuring that talented students receive the academic opportunities they deserve. Integral to the Kyiv School of Economics community, our students not only exemplify talent but also courage, ambition, and intellect. Their dedication has brought numerous charitable fundraisers to life, from assisting children from liberated territories to securing medical evacuation helicopters for Ukraine's Ministry of Defense's Main Directorate of Intelligence.

It's worth noting that many of these students have had the opportunity to study at the Kyiv School of Economics, primarily due to the scholarship program that benefactors like you have generously supported.

In a recent endeavor this September, KSE students initiated a project to collect signatures from notable personalities on the Ukrainian flag. Esteemed signatories include Mykhailo Podoliak, advisor to President Volodymyr Zelensky; Nino Katamadze, the renowned Georgian singer; and Katja Khaniukova, the distinguished Ukrainian prima and first soloist of the English National Ballet, among others. This autographed flag will soon be auctioned, with proceeds allocated towards procuring another medical evacuation helicopter.



## Supporting Talented Individuals

We take pride in acknowledging that the first hundred Ukrainians have received opportunities for personal development and the pursuit of their dreams through the "Talents For Ukraine" grant program! This program, implemented by the KSE Foundation for nearly a year, has provided financial support to a hundred talented individuals, allowing them to focus on achieving their great goals.

United by the goal of rebuilding Ukraine and making the world a better place, the program winners span diverse fields. Alongside researching the effects of cosmic radiation, they are creating cutting-edge lightweight materials for 3D printing and promoting the tradition of embroidered shirts worldwide. We are proud to assist such individuals and be part of their remarkable journey.

The majority of the winners — 42% — are cultural figures, bloggers, STEM promoters, historians, writers, musicians, and artists. Another significant category of winners — 37% — comprises scientists, educators, developers, and innovators. 14% of our winners are volunteers, medical professionals, and human rights advocates. Additionally, 7% are environmental activists and animal rights advocates who continue their work even during wartime.

[Get to know each of our winners more closely here](#) ✨



### Also in September we:

- Secured a second medical evacuation helicopter through the "Donate To Evacuate" initiative led by students of the Kyiv School of Economics, ensuring timely rescue of wounded soldiers on the battlefield.
- Persistently supplied the Ukrainian army with essential communication equipment.
- Extended charitable support to Ukrainians and made significant investments in both innovation and digital assistance.

**Thank you for staying with us! Every contribution saves lives.**



A camouflage pattern, created from the names of each donor who contributed \$100 or more to the "Donate To Evacuate" project, will be applied to the evacuation helicopter. You can also join and etch your name into the history of saving hundreds of warriors. Literally. [Make a donation here](#) ✨

# RECEIPTS

## \$4 575 617

**\$4 530 952**



From businesses and charities

**\$44 665**



From private persons

**\$2 500 000**



Largest donation from a business/charity



anonymous

**\$10 000**

The biggest donation from a private person



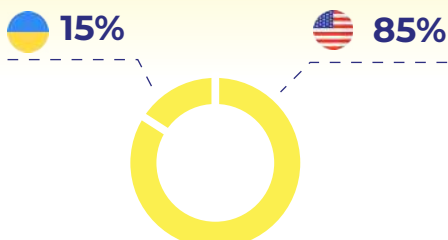
PIERRE  
ANDURAND

**\$174 267** 

Average business check

**\$308** 

Average check from a private person



**\$689 988**



To the Ukrainian account

**\$3 885 629**



To the American account



# RECEIPTS OF THE BIGGEST BENEFACTORS

Anonymous

**\$2 500 000**

The Setzman Family Fund

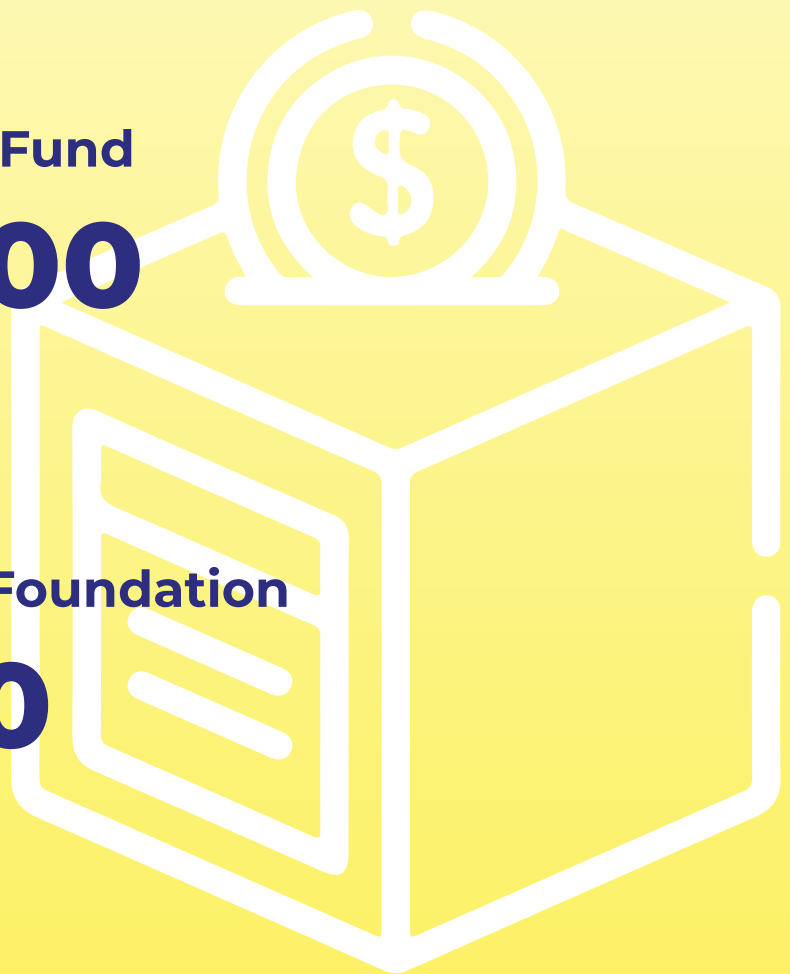
**\$1 000 000**

The Olena Zelenska Foundation

**\$500 000**

Anonymous

**\$300 599**



# COSTS

Medical evacuation helicopter and support of missions of The Main Directorate of Intelligence of the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine. [More details](#)



**\$400 003**

UAV pilot training



**\$242 315**

Safe education



**\$188 284**

Other



**\$120 364**

Charitable assistance



**\$55 773**

Provision of drones



**\$43 035**

Medical goods and services



**\$27 393**

# COSTS

Support for innovation



**\$23 829**

Logistics services



**\$4 269**

Digital security



**\$3 775**

Means of communication



**\$2 644**

Generators



**\$1 367**

Cars and service



**\$714**

Bank commissions



**\$353**



# DONATE TO



# EVACUATE

UKRAINIAN DEFENSE DEVELOPMENT  
CHARITY FUND

**Donate To Evacuate is an initiative of students of the Kyiv School of Economics to rescue wounded soldiers on the battlefield. With the support of the UKRAINIAN DEFENSE DEVELOPMENT CHARITY FUND and the KSE Foundation, the students are raising funds for medical helicopters for the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine and intelligence support.**

A medical evacuation helicopter is the fastest and irreplaceable means of transport on the battlefield. MEDEVAC MI-2 AM-1 can transport seriously injured people for a distance of 600 km at a speed of up to 200 km/h. The helicopter is equipped with everything necessary for safe evacuation and providing medical assistance during transportation: on board a ventilator, a device for monitoring the work of the heart and other medical devices.



## ALREADY RAISED

## \$1 843 166

\$928 096 of these has already been spent on two medical evacuation helicopters and support missions of The Main Directorate of Intelligence of the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine



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# CURRENT FEES

## Arrangement of shelters for Ukrainian schools



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## Breakthrough: Educational Scholarships for War Veterans



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## Educational scholarships for talented youth



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# REVIEWS AND THANKS



Reviews from the doctors of the Kropyvnytskyi Maternity Hospital



Thanks from the brigades on the front line  
for the transferred reconnaissance drones