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REPORT

DECEMBER 2023

DECEMBER: SUPPORT AND RECOVERY



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Dear Friends and Partners,
Thank you for your continued support. Together, we have achieved significant milestones:

Donate to Educate Campaign Success: As of the end of December, we have raised over half of the necessary funds in our «Donate to Educate» campaign, aimed at providing higher education to 400 students at the Kyiv School of Economics. This is a major achievement for our team and a realized dream for many Ukrainian youth. It also signifies Ukraine's positive direction, which would not be possible without your help.

We have attracted \$571,000 to the scholarship fund, and a generous donor has pledged to match this amount, bringing our total to over \$1,140,000 of our \$2,000,000 goal. This ensures that 228 students will have the opportunity to receive a Western-style education in Ukraine.



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Establishing Shelters for Children: For over a year, our efforts have been focused on setting up shelters for children. In December, this initiative allowed over 3,100 pupils to return to in-person learning, with 16 shelters completed. Our «ZAKHYSTOK: Safe Education» program has established shelters in 66 schools, helping over 20,100 pupils and preschoolers return to their classrooms. Currently, 19 additional shelters are under repair.



Kryvyi Rih Gymnasium No. 122
Dnipro region, Kryvyi Rih

BEFORE ➤



The basement of the school remained cluttered with construction debris since 1986. During rains, water leaked into the premises, and the room height did not comply with the established norms of the State Emergency Service of Ukraine.

During the renovation works, the room height was increased, ventilation and lighting were installed, electrical wiring was replaced, all surfaces were treated and painted, an applied screed was laid on the floor, and soft benches were purchased.

➤ AFTER



Enhancing Defense and Rescue Capabilities: We continue to invest in the country's defense and the rescue missions of the Defence Intelligence of the Ministry of Defence of Ukraine. In December alone, nearly \$600,000 in targeted contributions were used for the purchase of reconnaissance drones, vehicles, and communication devices. Approximately \$400,000 was dedicated to training drone reconnaissance pilots, a strategic investment in improving the skills of Ukrainian defenders and acquainting them with modern technologies. Over \$2.6 million were allocated to support innovations. Over \$300,000 went towards the upgrade of a helicopter for medical evacuation

Supporting Change-Makers with «Talents for Ukraine»: Our mission includes supporting individuals capable of driving change in Ukraine and the world with their ideas and dedication. The «Talents for Ukraine» grant program, initiated over a year ago, has been a starting point for many Ukrainians and, for many others, a recognition of work that the world already acknowledges.

This month, we concluded the first stage of the program with a total budget of \$1,000,000 – 150 Ukrainians became winners of «Talents for Ukraine»! In December, they included:

Oleksandra Matviichuk, the head of the Center for Civil Liberties, which won Nobel Peace Prize;

Evgeniy Maloletka, a military photojournalist and documentarian, who received two Pulitzer Prizes for his footage around Mariupol, became a laureate of World Press Photo, and received more than 20 international journalism awards;

Maryna Vyazovska, a mathematician, winner of the Fields Medal, and others.

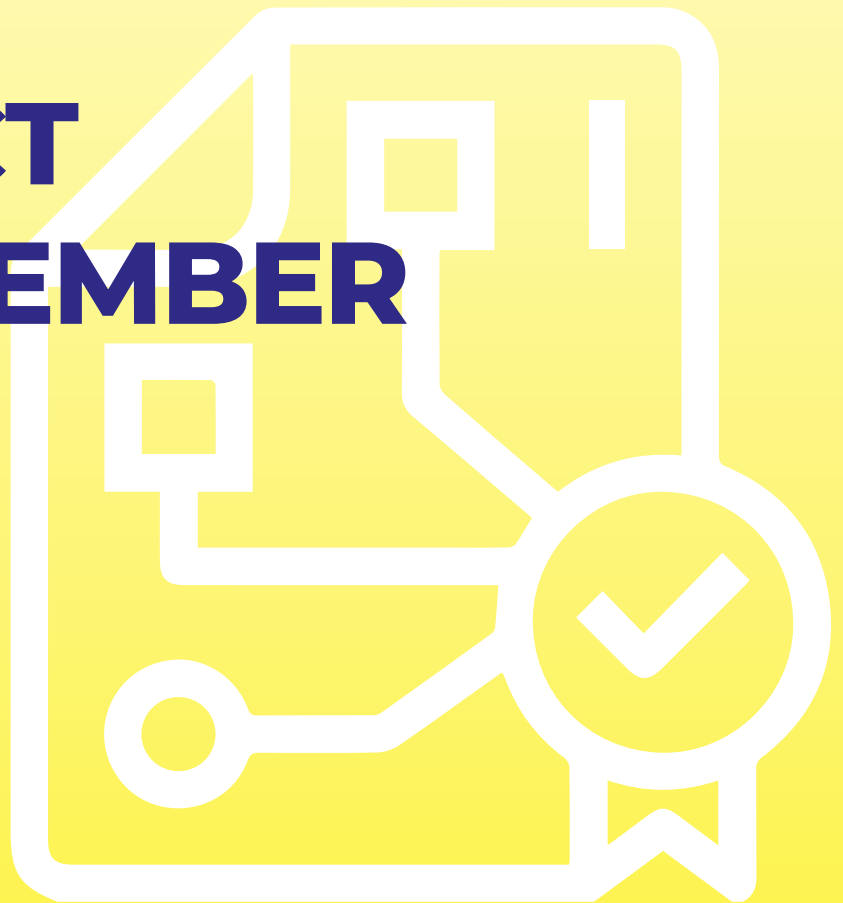
Your support allows us to move forward and do more. Thank you for your trust!



Winners of «Talents for Ukraine»

[All winners](#)

MAIN PROJECT OF DECEMBER



«DONATE TO EDUCATE»

The «Donate to Educate» campaign, a charitable educational initiative by the KSE Foundation, aims to raise \$2,000,000 for 400 scholarships at the Kyiv School of Economics.

This campaign not only focuses on empowering Ukrainian youth through education in Ukraine but also assists war veterans in enhancing their qualifications or learning new professions. This helps in their reintegration into civilian life within the nurturing environment of KSE.

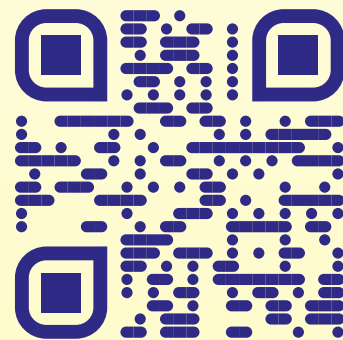
Launched internationally, the campaign initially received support from Ukrainian businesses and private philanthropists, emphasizing the global commitment to wartime education.



As of the end of December 2023, thanks to donations from around the world and an anonymous benefactor who doubles every contribution, regardless of its amount, we have managed to raise more than half – over **\$1,140,000!**

Scholarships are available for Ukrainians who have been most affected by the war, including:

- Applicants who have lost their homes due to hostilities.
- Youth forced to leave the country due to the war but wish to return to their homeland.
- Children of fallen Heroes of Ukraine.
- War veterans.
- Youth with high educational achievements.



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These funds will enable hundreds of new and existing students to receive scholarships for the next academic year at KSE University.

One of them is the first-year student Myroslava Borysiuk from Mariupol.

She returned to Ukraine after a year and a half of living in Ireland, all to study at the Kyiv School of Economics and then return to the Donetsk region to help overcome the consequences of the war in the legal field. For this purpose, Myroslava chose the specialty of «Law.»

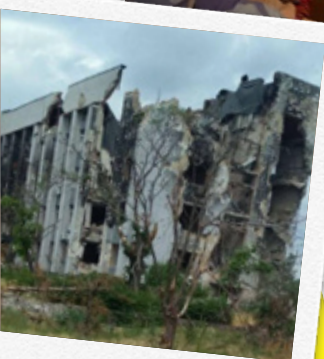
Myroslava experienced the beginning of the war in her hometown of Mariupol twice: first at the age of nine in 2014 when Russian forces invaded Ukraine, and then on February 24, 2022, while she was in the 10th grade. Both times, it all started with explosions, Myroslava recalls, and she describes the explosions as almost continuous.



After the start of the major war, Myroslava lived around the clock in the basement of her house with her mother and other Mariupol residents. The family had no food, and to give Myroslava at least warm water to drink, her mother collected snow in a thermos and melted it on a bonfire, the girl remembers. Sometimes even that did not work.

She managed to leave the surrounded and ruined city only on March 15, 2022 – the day after their evacuation, the Donetsk Academic Regional Drama Theatre in Mariupol, where they suggested waiting for evacuation, was destroyed by the Russians. According to the «Associated Press» investigation, around 600 people died in the airstrike on the theater.

With her family, they evacuated to Ireland. Despite the peaceful life there, Myroslava decided to return to Ukraine, study to become a prosecutor or lawyer at the Kyiv School of Economics (her first-year tuition is already covered thanks to your contributions), and one day, return to work in the liberated Mariupol.



[More about Myroslava's story](#)

RECEIPTS

\$1 520 653

\$1 349 840



From businesses and charities

\$170 813



From private persons

\$ 1 180 000



Largest donation from a business/charity



anonymous

\$20 099

The biggest donation from a private person



anonymous

\$71 044



Average business check

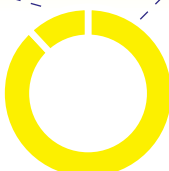
\$354



Average check from a private person

 **12,3%**

 **87,7%**



\$186 409



To the Ukrainian account

\$1 334 244



To the American account

RECEIPTS OF THE PRINCIPAL BENEFACTORS

Anonymous

\$1 180 000

ICU

\$99 762

WOG

\$25 000

GLOVO

\$21 902



COSTS

Support for innovation



\$2 589 749

Cars and service



\$516 175

UAV pilot training



\$399 266

Expenditure within the «Donate to Evacuate» project, including a helicopter dedicated to medical evacuation



\$325 656

Other



\$301 633

Charitable aid



\$253 062

COSTS

Provision of drones



\$113 040

Safe education, «Zakhystok»



\$98 258

Logistics services



\$2 051

Bank commissions



\$1 616

Means of communication

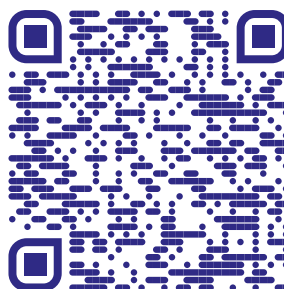


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CURRENT PROJECTS

Arrangement of shelters for educational institutions

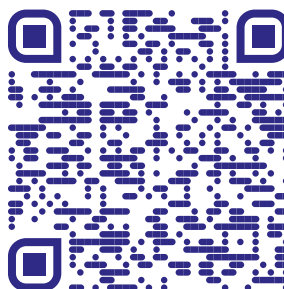
Our goal is to bring as many Ukrainian children back to offline classes in their schools and kindergartens



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Donate to Educate

The KSE Foundation aims to fund scholarships for 400 students with a fundraising goal of \$2 million



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