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REPORT

FEBRUARY 2024

FEBRUARY: DEFENSE LOGISTICS AND HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT

Dear friends and partners,

In the first quarter of the new year, we are intensifying our strategic initiatives and scaling up projects. In February, we established new partnerships and invested in change-makers who are leading others in diverse fields, ranging from science to culture.

Support for Defenders of Ukraine

- This month, we have provided the State Border Guard Service of Ukraine with 50 Volkswagen T5 vehicles, purchased with your contributions. The procurement cost amounted to \$500,000, and the delivery and modernization of the transport were carried out by our partners, the BGV Charity Fund. These vehicles are intended for border protection and for use in missions by border guards who defend the country on the front lines.
- In February, over **\$100,000** was allocated towards the purchase of reconnaissance drones, optical devices and night vision equipment, military gear, and communication tools. Additionally, over **\$13,000** was dedicated to supporting innovation, assistance for defense tasks, and social support.



SVITLANA DENYSENKO

Director of the KSE Foundation



Humanitarian Initiatives

- In February, we commenced collaborations with three additional educational institutions to restore children's right to safe education. Currently, renovations are underway in nine schools and kindergartens. This month, an additional 1,776 children returned to offline classes after shelters were set up. As part of our **"ZAKHYSTOK: Safe Education"** initiative, shelters have been renovated in 70 educational institutions across the country, including in frontline regions and in areas liberated from occupation. In February, we allocated almost \$126,000 for shelters equipment.



Students of Kryvyi Rih Lyceum No. 119 in the school shelter, which was equipped by the KSE Foundation thanks to the contribution from Ukrposhta



- On February 2nd, as part of **the initiative to support innovation in humanitarian demining**, the ScaleUp business scaling program was launched. Today, teams developing new solutions for the efficient demining of Ukrainian lands are planning to commence field trials.

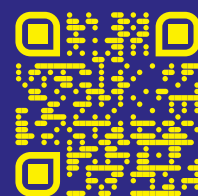
Talent and Education Development

- Thanks to our partners, this year, we will support an additional 150 talented individuals. In February, **the second flight of the "Talents for Ukraine" grant program** was launched to support the new generation of leaders. This new stage focuses on STEM – aiming to support more chemists, engineers, mathematicians, physicists, developers, and IT specialists. However, we will continue to invest in talent regardless of the field.

The first winners of the second stage are robotics engineer Maksym Hodunko, photographer Oksana Parafenyuk, who took a photo of Valerii Zaluzhnyi for The Washington Post, and STEM workshops mentor Anastasiia Ponomarova.



The goal of "Talents for Ukraine" is to provide financial support to talented individuals so they can focus on their own development. Ukrainians can apply for grants themselves or receive nominations from colleagues and experts. You can also nominate a talented individual!



**NOMINATE A
TALENT**

- Two more participants of **the "Veteran Business: From Idea to Funding" program** have each received state grants of approximately \$13,000 after consultations from KSE Graduate Business School. They will be developing their startups in the fields of printing and woodworking. This initiative is being implemented within the framework of a memorandum we signed with the Ministry of Economy of Ukraine. In February, thanks to your contributions, 17 more consultations for war veterans and their families took place.

Institutional Development

- In the first stage of **the scholarship campaign "Donate to Educate,"** which we launched to the Christmas holidays, 574 donors participated. Your support will change the lives of more than 370 students – they will receive grants for studying in cutting-edge bachelor's and master's programs at KSE University, access to exchange programs at top universities worldwide, and accommodation in co-living spaces, including for those who have lost their homes due to war. In total, we managed to raise over \$1,850,000.

We aim to provide scholarships for 400 new students affected by the war in the next academic year.

You can support them using this link:

foundation.kse.ua/en/donate-to-educate

- On February 24th, 2024, we initiated a **scholarship dedicated to the memory of the Defender of Ukraine – Ruslan Chopiuk.** The soldier was killed by russians while liberating the Kherson region from the enemy at the age of 21.



This scholarship is the initiative of KSE University lecturer Yurii Chopiuk, brother of Ruslan. He made the initial contribution to the named scholarship fund, which will support students with the highest academic performance.

Within a few days of launching the named scholarship, dozens of other faculty members joined the initiative. The KSE community has already managed to raise nearly \$10,000 – each new contribution will continue the legacy of the Defender of Ukraine scholarship.

This month, Ukraine marked the terrifying anniversary of two years of the great war and ten years of resistance against the enemy who invaded our country. On February 24, 2022, we stood firm thanks to the Defenders of Ukraine. In 2024, we continue to bolster our defense. Thank you for your ongoing support of Ukraine and our people.

CONTRIBUTIONS

\$8,099,929

\$8,058,889



From businesses and charities

\$41,040



From individuals

\$5,000,000



The largest single contribution from a business/charity



anonymous

\$10,000

The largest contribution from an individual



anonymous

\$237,026

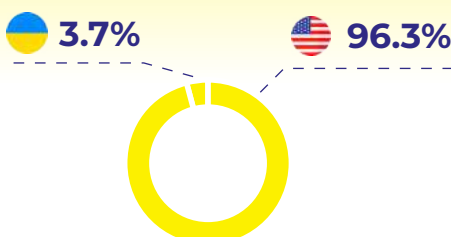


Average contribution from a business

\$157



Average contribution from an individual



\$301,739



To the Ukrainian account

\$7,798,190



To the American account

RECEIPTS BY DIRECTIONS

Defense



\$8,067,635

Institutional



\$31,037

Humanitarian



\$1,257

EXPENDITURES

EDUCATIONAL AND HUMANITARIAN INITIATIVES

ZAKHYSTOK: Safe Education



\$125,538

Talents for Ukraine



\$11,244

DEFENSE EQUIPMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS MEANS

Drone provision



\$63,625

Equipment for Defenders



\$21,778

Optical devices and night vision equipment



\$17,426

Communication tools



\$4,544

EXPENDITURES

INNOVATION DEVELOPMENT AND TRAININGS FOR DEFENDERS

Innovation support



\$16,393

TRANSPORT AND LOGISTICS

Vehicles for Defenders and services



\$2,098

CHARITABLE ASSISTANCE AND RELATED EXPENDITURES

Other



\$143,791

Assistance for defense tasks
and social support



\$6,597

Banking fees

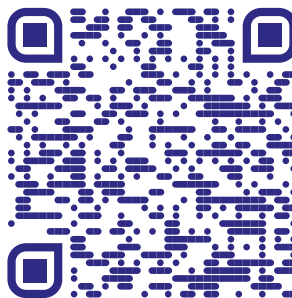


\$685

CURRENT FUNDRAISERS

ZAKHYSTOK: Safe Education

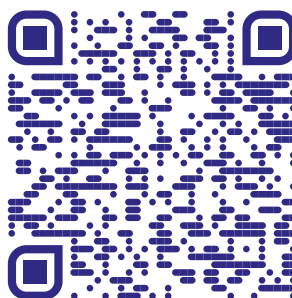
A project focused on equipping shelters in educational institutions across Ukraine. Our goal is to return as many Ukrainian children to offline lessons as possible



+ DONATE

Donate to Educate

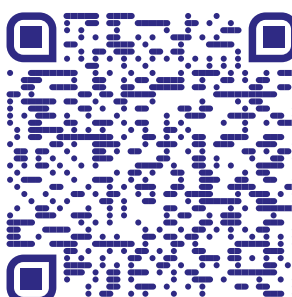
The project aims to fund scholarships for 400 new students: youth who have lost their homes due to war, veterans, and children of fallen Defenders



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Support for Defenders

This project is dedicated to providing targeted support to Ukrainian Defenders with everything they need – from winter footwear to reconnaissance drones for units



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