



Soroptimist International Distrikt 1 Denmark



Ukraine og Distrikt 1: Årsrapport 2023



Region 2 samarbejder med følgende Soroptimistklubber i Ukraine:

- Chernihiv
- Dnipro
- Kiev
- Lviv
- Uzhhorod

Følgende klubber i Distrikt 1 deltager i samarbejdet:

Brande, Grenå, Herring, Ikast, Ringkøbing, Skanderborg, Silkeborg, Skjern-Tarm, Aarhus.

Ukraine-udvalget har mødtes

23-03-2023: i Silkeborg

26-10-2023: i Silkeborg

og medlemmerne har holdt kontakt med hinanden via mails.

Donationer i året 2023:

Som følge af Ruslands krig mod Ukraine har Ukraine-udvalget ikke støttet projekter fra Ukraine-klubberne.

Udvalget donerede i marts 2023 1.000 Euro til fire klubber.

I oktober efterlystes klubbernes behov for penge til nødhjælp. Klubberne blev spurgt om, hvad de ville bruge pengene til.

Desværre fik vi ikke tilbagemeldinger fra Kiev-klubben.

Klub			I alt
Chernihiv	7.473,00	14.957,94	22.430,94
Dnipro	7.471,55	5.981,73	13.453,28
Kiev	0	0	0
Lviv	11.953,03	10.096,61	22.049,64
Uzhgorod	7.473,00	25.052,19	32.525,19
Samlet donation i 2023:			90.459,05

Tilbagemeldinger fra klubberne i Ukraine:

Chernihiv, marts 2023:

This is so fantastic to hear from you with such good news!

We do appreciate your care and understanding of our situation.

The sisters of Chernihiv Club are active and optimistic looking around to see those women and girls who are in need or despair.

Together we continued our work even during severe bombing and recently started new projects:

- Ukrainian books for the libraries: for many years the russian language was prevailing in Ukraine and the majority of the books in the libraries were in russian, now it is very important to give our dear mother tongue - Ukrainian language a decent place and to teach our children from the very beginning.

So we decided to collect and to purchase modern and classic books in Ukrainian language for the Central and Children's Libraries in our city of Chernihiv.

- The other project is to help a shelter for animals who are homeless or ill. Unfortunately in the war time the number of such dogs and cats grew very much and they all need our attention. There is a unique lady who looks after more than a thousand animals, so we decided to help them with medicine and food.

- Another actual project which we would like to realize is for elderly women who are disabled or stay in bed. They desperately need pampers and sanitary- hygienic items. Constant stress and high prices increase the number of the need.

We plan to have a meeting of the Board on Friday and will discuss the priorities. So we will inform you about the chosen project to be realized with your kind help and also about the details of the bank route for the money transfer.

Our plan is to use the money to support the 14 sisters who are in Chernihiv now coping with a big stress and challenges every day. Your vital donation will help to purchase some special Easter food, necessary medicine or vitamins. Additionally every sister will conduct her own small project - to support a girl or a woman, who are in need or distressed. They may be more than one and every sister will tell their stories and the way they will empower womanhood.

Despite the situation: syrens and war, we can create our own history. 🤝

Today we presented about 180 books in Ukrainian language for our Town's and Children's Libraries. This is very important for our restoration, national dignity and continuation of the education despite the terrible destructions of the war time.

Life goes on and it is wonderful!

With Love and Light, Svitlana Kamyshna, President of the Club, Victoria Filatova and all Chernihiv Sisters.

Dnipro, marts 2023:

Dear sisters,

Thank you for your invaluable help for our club.

My account is the same.

Our best wishes to all the members of the SI clubs of Region II

Love

Olga

Lviv, marts 2023:

Dear Soroptimists Region 2,

We appreciate your desire to donate 1.600 Euros to our club. It is solid support in such hard time. We will purchase all the necessary stuff the girls may need for various kinds of needle work. Recently we have been to the boarding school in Liubin Velyky and the girls have shown us their works. We are planning to use the rest of the money for the project "Medico-psychological centre of rehabilitation" which is located in the same boarding school. At present there are 50 children there and children from the war zones are constantly arriving. Hence the project is absolutely urgent. Now we are doing repairs to the premises and it demands great expenses.

With deep gratitude

Nataliya

Uzhhorod, april 2023:

We are sorry for late answer. We've been to Germany and just recently came back home.

Thank you very much for all your help and support.

We wish you happy and blessed Easter.

With love from Uzhhorod sisters

Olya.

Chernihiv, oktober 2023:

Good, peaceful day to you, dear Sisters!

We are very sorry not to answer fast, you are right that the conditions of life are not easy, lots to care about.

In this turbulent time, it is especially nice to realize that we are not alone, that there are hearts that always live in love and remember us. May God give health to each of you, as well as to your families.

We are very grateful for your sincere words which we got on our Club's 11th birthday.

We always remember your support and continue our important activities despite the war. We protect our Club like a child, take care of its image in the society, and are proud to belong to the big family of the Soroptimist movement.

This year was not easy for us, but it was special. We have done a lot of projects. 12 projects in a year, it surprised even us how we managed it.

We help elderly women, animals who were sick and lonely in shelters during the war. There is lots of pain and suffering we have to cope with.

The main projects are medical (a children's hospital, a rehabilitation clinic, a maternity hospital, a psychology clinic in Andriivka, a library project).

It is nice that all the sisters who were in the city were involved in the projects throughout the year. Times are hard, but we try to keep our vibrations high so that we have enough strength to do important things.

We are glad that your Club is active and gets news members! This is very good to support and to empower each other.

We also have two new members who joined the Club, they proved to be very active, intelligent, and communicative. These are young, energetic women: Iryna Shmat and Oksana Stepanenko, in whom we have high hopes. They passed the time test perfectly.

We believe that soon the war will end and the peaceful sun of Victory will shine, we will rejoice and cry, because some of our acquaintances, friends, neighbours are gone and it will be forever. These tests are difficult, but we will persevere and make sure that life goes on.

Thanks a lot for your support and collecting money for the projects, we would like to write an Application. Please, let us know what form, when is the deadline and what sum is possible.

We wish you all the best. We pray for everyone, for peace all over the world. We pray for Israel as well.

We send greetings and our sisterly warm hugs to all Sisters.

President of the Chernihiv Club Svitlana Kamyshna, Victoria and all Chernihiv sisters!



Chernihiv, januar 2024:

So nice to hear from you
Many thanks for your warm greetings!

I saw the greetings from our Club, sorry, that was not correct from our President Iryna Shmat. She is a new member and was just elected in November last year.
Now a new Board was elected, they try to do everything themselves and I do my best to help. They will learn
We hope you are well, enjoyed the beautiful Christmas holidays and together with your dears met the NewYear 2024!!!
Here it was rather frosty with a lot of snow on the ground, it is minus 19 feeling like minus 27, very cold so we are dreaming about sunshine! ☺

We are very much grateful to you and Region 2 for the possibility to fulfil important projects for women and girls who need our support!!!
This is so kind of you to give us positive emotions in this hard time: the air alarm during the nights can be on for 4 times, then in the daytime again with a possible threat of attacks. So we had to go to the underground again with my daughter Anya, her husband Ihor and their son David, my grandson, who is 5 and a half months old.

To tell the truth it is not easy to raise our mood in the conditions of the war going on, with everyday sirens and air alarms. We learn to find our balance and positive things, if we can't find we create them!

Just before Christmas we fulfilled our common project:
We prepared food and sanitary-hygienic kits for 103 girls and young ladies with special needs at Rehabilitation Center for mentally handicapped and NGO "Parent's Voice" for families who care about handicapped children or youth.
It was so warm and joyful to cheer children and their parents up!
We are very grateful for your support of our work and are sure that together we can do much more ☺☺☺☺
With our warm hugs to you we send many wishes of Joy, Peace and Harmony in your families.
With Love and Light, Victoria and all Chernihiv Sisters



Dnipro, januar 2024:

Dear Soroptimists, dear Danish Sisters,

Here you'll find the report #1 of spending money received from Region 2.

The SI Club of Dnepropetrovsk used the full sum €782.1 and added the Club's own financial resources (141.46UAH). We used this money for making Christmas gifts for children living in modular houses. They are from IDPs families from the Eastern Regions of Ukraine, Donetsk, Kherson, Crimea.

All calculations are given in the attached Report #1.

Report in Excel and Word formats and video fragments, photos and cheques are enclosed (videos are included in this letter).

With lot of thanks from all members of the SI Club of Dnepropetrovsk and my special thanks to Ulla, Berit and Thilde,

Club President

Nataliya Nechukhayeva

Report to Danish SI Clubs Region 2

SI Club of Dnepropetrovsk received from the SI of Denmark, Region II €782,10 or 31675,05 UAH (after the commission). The rate was 40.5UAH per €1.

Our Club used this money for the Christmas gifts for children who stay with families in the modular houses in Dnipro. All IDPs came from the Donetsk Region and Crimea. Sweets, fruit for children's gifts: 28968.5UAH or 715.27 euro Juices: 8435.84 or 208.29 euro

In total 57 children received the gifts: 32 from the average and elder groups, 16 gifts were taken by parents (children were off on holidays), moms took special gifts for their 9 babies (1-3 y.o.). Photos, screens of cheques and two videos are included to the letter. In total we spent €923.56, including Danish €782,1 and €141.46 from the Club's Fund.

President of the SI Club of Dnepropetrovsk, Nataliya Nechukhayeva



Lviv, oktober 2023

Liebe Clubschwestern,
ich freue mich, Euch mitteilen zu können, dass wir im Rahmen des Projekts „Zentrum für psychologische und physische Rehabilitation“ im Waisenhaus in Lubin Velykiy einen psychologischen Entlastungsraum renoviert und ausgestattet haben. Das ist ein riesiges Projekt und viele Clubs haben sich daran beteiligt. Mit Eurer und ihrer Hilfe konnten wir eine umfassende Sanierung der Räumlichkeiten, sanitäre und technische Arbeiten, den Austausch von Elektroleitungen, den Einbau von Fussbodenheizungen und Dachreparaturen durchführen. Wir haben auch Möbel bestellt. Derzeit wird der Massageraum und andere Räumlichkeiten renoviert.

Euer Beitrag zu diesem Projekt ist bedeutend, wir schätzen Eure Hilfe und Freundschaft sehr. Herzlichen Dank für Eure Teilnahme am Projekt! Wir wünschen viel Erfolg bei all Euren Unternehmungen!
Liebe Grüsse von allen Lviver Clubschwestern

Nataliya

P.S. Entschuldigung für den deutschen Text, Olga Shpak ist in einem Dorf ohne Internet



Lviv, januar 2024:

Dear Soroptimists of Region 2,

Thanks to your help we have bought 55 pairs of winter footwear for children in the orphanage. We deeply appreciate your timely help and wholehearted support. We are taking constant care of children. We buy foodstuff, fruit in particular, we bought materials for handwork classes, we organise events, for instance, Saint Nicholas holiday.

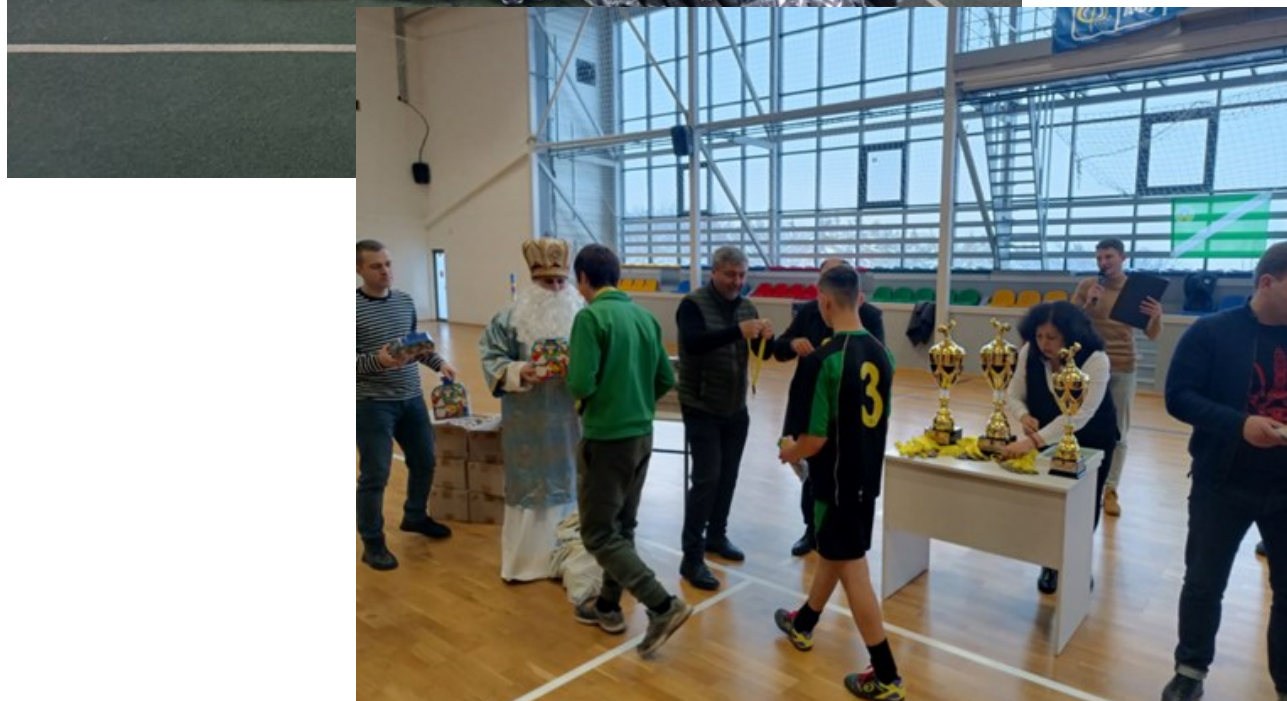
We have also renovated and furnished the room of psychological relaxation in the orphanage, at present we finish repairs and equipment of the room for massage.

The situation in Ukraine is further aggravated by constant air attacks of Russia. Since the 29th of December we have had air alarms every night and nearly every day. Many cities and villages have suffered from Russian missiles of various kinds. Many people were killed and wounded. Lviv came under assault too. A young man was killed, several people were wounded, houses were ruined. The building of Agricultural University was partially ruined as well as one of the museums. Thus the beginning of the year was not a happy one. Still we believe in our victory and fight for it.

With love and deep respect
Nataliya and Lviv Soroptimists



Fra børnehjemmet i Livchitsy



Uzhhorod, oktober 2023:

Dear Ulla,

it is nice to hear from you!!! Thank you for your solidarity and care!!! It means a lot for us. We live with the hope that this awful war will end soon! Recently we've got the news that Putin died and we were so glad but the next day we found out that it was fake news...

Yes, we will need support for people in our community!

We will spend money for social-psychological support for women and children who just moved to our area from occupied territories (provide for them food and nonfood items, psychotherapy support, support with the shelter and find job) , for women and children whose husbands and fathers died in the war (psychological support), for a rehabilitation program for women and children who were sexually abused during the war (we just had first short term rehab program for 13 women).

We will need 5000 Euro.

Soroptimist Uzhhorod Club is officially registered in Ukraine and you can send donations straight to Soroptimist's bank account.

Our treasure Olha Balazh and our president Zlata Shpin will send to you a detailed budget and information about our bank account.

Send our love to all sisters!

With much love,

Tetiana Machabeli on behalf of Uzhhorod Soroptimist Club

Samarbejde med Bevar Ukraine: (<https://www.bevarukraine.dk/da/hjem/>)

Ukraine udvalget har løbende kontakt til Foreningen Bevar Ukraine.

I november/december 2022 modtog SI Silkeborg en stor skodonation fra en virksomhed i København, Det var nye sko, der var anvendt i reklameøjemed.

SI Silkeborg hentede ca. 350 par sko, der via Bevar Ukraine blev sendt til Polen i januar 2023.

SI Lviv hentede dem og uddelte dem til flygtninge og andre trængende i Ukraine.

De sjællandske soroptimistklubber har hentet de resterende sko hos virksomheden, og de bliver ligeledes sendt til Ukraine via virksomheden.

SI Silkeborg modtager to gange årligt ikke solgte sæsonsko fra en lokal butik. Vinterfodtøjet sendes via Bevar Ukraine til Ukraine.

Ukraine udvalget i Distrikt 1
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Karen Marie Ladefoged
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 Februar 2024