## SHUSWAP SUPPORT TO UKRAINIANS WEEKLY UPDATE #42

## **Monday 23 Jan 2023**

#	TOPIC	DETAILS	
1	CUAET	Here is the data for the Canada-Ukraine Authorisation for Emergency Travel program for the period 17 Mar 2022 to 17 Jan 2023:	
		<ul> <li>Applications received: 791,016 (an increase of 13,345 since the previous update).</li> <li>Applications approved: 503,100 (an increase of 10,709 since the previous update).</li> </ul>	
		Reference: <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/immigrate-canada/ukraine-measures/key-figures.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/immigrate-canada/ukraine-measures/key-figures.html</a>	
2	GoFundMe status \$50,111. raised to date. An increase of \$2,058. since week.		
		https://gofund.me/2bcbd1f9	
3	Ukrainian Fundraiser Salmon Arm	The Ukrainian fundraising dinner at Setters Pub on Sun 15 Jan was a resounding success; it was a full house. Setters Pub donated \$2,000. Many thanks to the owner Zav Dhillon, the manager Chrystal Davey and the staff for the delicious meal, great service and welcoming atmosphere. See the website for a picture of the cheque presentation.	
4	International Student Health Fee Remission Regulation	The BC government has enacted the Canada-Ukraine Authorization for Emergency Travel International Student Health Fee Remission Regulation.	
		This regulation allows for the remission of debt to students enrolled in the Medical Services Plan (MSP) under a study permit issued under Canada-Ukraine Authorization for Emergency Travel (CUAET) measures. The regulation is applicable from March 1, 2022, onward.	
		The Province enacted this regulation to support people arriving from Ukraine who may not have the financial means to pay the International Student Health Fee (ISHF) and may be unable to	

work for some time. Currently, people from Ukraine fleeing the Russian invasion of their country are not provided refugee status by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada.

For these individuals, who arrived in B.C. and enrolled in MSP with a CUAET study permit since the summer of 2022, the Ministry of Finance has been holding the bills while planning of the remission regulation was underway. To those who paid their fee prior to Dec. 19, 2022, the Ministry of Finance will contact these individuals and refund their payments.

## Quick Facts:

- The ISHF is a \$75 monthly fee billed to all individuals five and older enrolled in MSP with a study permit issued by Immigration Refugees and Citizenship Canada.
- The CUAET is a federal accelerated temporary residence program to allow individuals arriving from Ukraine to work, study or stay in Canada for three years or until it is safe to return home.
- The remission regulation builds on several other financial and health supports for people arriving in B.C. from Ukraine.
- For instance, the Province is investing \$12 million in BC Settlement and Integration Services over two years and covering 100% of eligible prescription costs through PharmaCare for one year for people arriving in B.C. under CUAET.

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