SHUSWAP SUPPORT TO UKRAINIANS

WEEKLY UPDATE #49

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#	TOPIC	DETAILS		
1	CUAET	Here is the data for the Canada-Ukraine Authorisation for Emergency Travel program for the period 17 Mar 2022 to 2 Mar 2023:		
		 Applications received: 903,439 (an increase of 21,217 since the previous update). Applications approved: 592,405 (an increase of 32,537 since the previous update). 		
		Reference: <u>https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-</u> refugees-citizenship/services/immigrate-canada/ukraine- measures/key-figures.html		
2	GoFundMe status	<pre>\$50,911. raised to date. </pre> https://gofund.me/2bcbd1f9		
3	Balabak family	We were hoping for the Balabak family to arrive in the March/April timeframe. However, they informed us that they will be staying in The Netherlands for the time being taking into account employment, the ongoing school year and housing availability. Their visa process is ongoing. Will keep you updated when more news becomes available.		

4	Statistics	 In order to quantify the tremendous level of support the Shuswap community has provided and is continuing to provide to our Ukrainian families, we are in the process of compiling a few statistics for 2022: 1. Volunteer hours. 2. Value of the volunteer hours. 3. Funds raised (donations/fundraisers). 4. Days of host accommodations provided. 5. Value of host accommodations provided. 6. Value of in-kind donations. 7. Value of the volunteers/housing hosts out-of-pocket expenses (i.e. not wanting to be reimbursed).
		The numbers will be published on the website as they become available over the coming weeks.
5	Interesting facts about Ukraine	 Home To The Second-Deepest Subway Station In The World. The World's Longest Wind Instrument. A Geographic Centre Of Europe. High Record Number Of People At A Concert. Three Ukrainian Monasteries Have Lavra Status Inhabitation Dates Back To The Fifth Century BC. Third-Most Beautiful Language In The World. More Than 50 References In The Guinness Book Of World Records. Opening Of The First University In Eastern Europe. Wedding Bands On Their Right Hand Rather Than their left. Want to know more? Click on this link: <u>https://uniacco.com/blog/facts-about-ukraine</u>

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