

SHUSWAP SUPPORT TO UKRAINIANS

WEEKLY UPDATE #45

Monday 13 Feb 2023

#	TOPIC	DETAILS
1	CUAET	<p>Here is the data for the Canada-Ukraine Authorisation for Emergency Travel program for the period 17 Mar 2022 to 7 Feb 2023:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Applications received: 839,567 (an increase of 18,210 since the previous update).➤ Applications approved: 540,296 (an increase of 13,500 since the previous update). <p>Reference: https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/immigrate-canada/ukraine-measures/key-figures.html</p>
2	GoFundMe status	<p>\$50,911. raised to date. An increase of \$100. since last week.</p> <p>https://gofund.me/2bcbd1f9</p>
3	Income Tax Webinar	<p>A bilingual (English and Ukrainian) income tax webinar was held on Mon 6 Feb to answer questions about filling taxes in Canada. This was a free webinar, open to all Ukrainians in BC and Alberta. For your info, the webinar slides can be found at the bottom of our webpage.</p> <p>A follow-on webinar will be held on Mon 27 Feb.</p>
4	Meeting with Families	<p>As mentioned in update #43 (30 Jan 2023), now that our three families have been living in the Shuswap for approximately six months, Carole Laundry and I are planning to meet with each family to discuss how they are settling in, what additional help they need, lessons learned and to develop a plan to disburse their remaining funding allocation (based on their individual needs and timeline). We met with the first family on Sun 12 Feb; we plan to meet with the other two families in the next couple of weeks.</p>

5	<p>Candlelit Vigil Fri 24 Feb Vernon</p>	<p>The Ukrainian Canadian Congress along with the Ukrainian World Congress is asking for a world wide candlelit vigil on Friday, February 24th to acknowledge the one year anniversary of the invasion of their country by Russia.</p> <p>We have been invited by Andrea Malysh, President of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress Thompson Okanagan, to join our Ukrainian community to this candlelit vigil. (Bring flags and candles). The media release can be found on the last page of this update.</p> <p>Friday 24 February 2023 at 5:00pm at the Vernon City Hall.</p> <p>There will be a short ceremony of speeches along with the singing of the Ukrainian National Anthem and a moment of silence.</p> <p>To reduce costs, car pooling is encouraged. Gloria Heinzmann, our Transportation Support Team Coordinator, will coordinate the transportation arrangements. If you would like to attend, please send an e-mail (include your address and phone number) to Gloria at gloria16@telus.net no later than Wed 22 Feb. If you plan to use your vehicle and can take passengers, indicate how many passengers you can accommodate. Gloria will let you know the car pooling arrangements on Thurs 23 Feb.</p>
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MEDIA RELEASE – February 7, 2023

February 24, 2023 will mark one year since Russia’s full-scale invasion of Ukraine. The Ukrainian Canadian Congress (UCC) invites all Canadians to join us on February 24 to Stand With Ukraine.

“For the past year, the heroic Ukrainian Armed Forces and the Ukrainian people have stood united in defence of freedom in Europe in the face of Russia’s genocidal onslaught. The courage and determination of the Ukrainian people inspire the world,” stated Alexandra Chyczij, National President of the UCC. “To mark 365 days of Ukraine’s resistance against Russia’s war please join us on February 24 to show that all Canadians Stand With Ukraine!”

The Ukrainian Canadian community is organizing events across Canada on the evening of February 24. We will pay tribute to the courage of the Ukrainian people and honour the memory of the thousands of innocent people murdered by Russia’s genocidal war of aggression against Ukraine. May the Memory of the Victims Be Eternal. Вічна Пам’ять.

The UCC expresses its gratitude to all Canadians for their generous assistance to many worthy humanitarian and charitable causes in support of Ukraine and for their welcome of over 100,000 Ukrainians who have sought refuge in Canada from Russia’s war.

We continue to collect donations to the Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal which works in Ukraine to provide humanitarian assistance quickly and efficiently to those in need in Ukraine to address any further aggression by Russia.

Vernon Candlelit Vigil: February 24, 2023, 5:00pm, CITY HALL

For information on this event:

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