

SUPPORT TO UKRAINIANS

WEEKLY UPDATE #1

Monday 4 April 2022

#	TOPIC	DETAILS
1	Survey	<p>Last week, the survey was distributed to the members of the Karate Dojo and Our Lady of the Lake Parish, was published in the Cedar Heights Community Association newsletter and was made available to the Catholic Church of St-Joseph in Salmon Arm. Deadline for the submission of the "survey" is Sun 10 Apr.</p> <p>So far, a total of 18 individuals/couples have submitted the form indicating one or more focus areas. The focus area breakdown to date is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fundraising: 6 2. Employment: 0 3. Housing: 2 4. Welcoming: 11 5. Transportation: 7 6. Health: 2 7. Schooling: 1 8. Social/recreation: 7 9. Orientation: 7 10. Financial: 8 11. General support: 1 12. In-kind donations: 7 <p>Note that I created a new focus area "General Support" for those who want to help but in no specific area.</p>
2	GoFundMe	<p>The GoFundMe site was activated and a test donation successfully completed: see https://www.shoreikankarateshuswap.ca/ukraine for the link.</p>

3	Bank Account	A bank account was opened at TD Canada Trust.
4	Auditor	For accounting and auditing purposes, an account was created with Wave Accounting. This is the same online software I use for the Karate Dojo (and it is free). All transactions will be recorded and detailed in this account. I am looking for someone to act as "auditor" for the account (will be given read access). Please e-mail me if you are interested.
5	Fundraising	Various fundraising initiatives are being explored.
6	Services	Since the Ukrainians will be arriving under the Emergency Travel program which is different from the regular Refugee Sponsorship, issues such as access to health care, language training, employment assistance, etc, are still being addressed by the Federal and Provincial governments.
7	Family	I was in contact today with the Vernon Sadok Ukrainian Dance Ensemble about a family possibly arriving in mid-May. More info to follow.