

SUPPORT TO UKRAINIANS

WEEKLY UPDATE #3

Monday 18 April 2022

#	TOPIC	DETAILS
1	Thanks	Thank you for your patience as we navigate through this challenging and uncharted process.
2	Survey	<p>Since last week's update, an additional 4 individuals/couples have indicated an interest in supporting this initiative; the total is now 32 individuals/couples. As a result, the focus area breakdown is now as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Fundraising: 82. Employment: 03. Housing: 24. Welcoming: 155. Transportation: 126. Health: 47. Schooling: 18. Social/recreation: 89. Orientation: 810. Financial: 1311. General support: 812. In-kind donations: 12
3	Scoop	Awaiting reply from the South Shuswap Scoop about publishing an article in their 6 May edition.

4	United Way	<p>The United Way (Southern Interior) has now assumed responsibility for the processing and coordination of accommodation offers in our area. Our two local families who have offered accommodations have submitted the required documentation. Once the United Way has received names of Ukrainians wanting to move to this area, they will match with available accommodations and connect with third party service providers. Those providers are the organizations I have already been in contact with (such as the Shuswap Immigrant Services Society in Salmon Arm and the Refugees and Friends Together in Kamloops). We are finally closing the loop!</p> <p>I will be discussing with the United Way (Southern Interior) staff in Kelowna on Wed 20 Apr to what we have to offer and the way ahead.</p>
5	Furniture	<p>As a follow-up to last Monday's update, the donors of the furniture are Dave and Chris Munro. Rose and Graham Collin have offered to store the furniture temporarily at their house. The furniture will be moved at 9:00 am on Fri 22 Apr. If you are available to help, please contact me by e-mail or text and I will provide the addresses.</p> <p>A second family has offered to donate furniture. I will have more information at the end of Apr.</p>
6	GoFundMe	<p>\$710. raised to date.</p> <p>https://gofund.me/2bcbd1f9</p>
7	Fundraising	<p>Still being explored. In light of the ongoing COVID-19 risks, in-person fundraisers are not planned at this time.</p>
8	Charter Flights	<p>The federal government will be setting up charter flights to bring Ukrainians to Canada. The details are being finalized as to the number of charter flights and where they will go.</p> <p>Canada has already approved more than 30,000 applications from people wishing to come to Canada under</p>

		the Canada-Ukraine Authorisation for Emergency Travel (CUAET) program.
9	Fairfield Marriott Hotels	<p>Reference: https://www.castanet.net/news/Vernon/366155/Fairfield-by-Marriott-hotels-in-Vernon-and-Salmon-Arm-will-take-in-Ukrainian-refugees#366155</p> <p>The Vernon and Salmon Arm locations are committed to provide interim accommodations and support for the immediate needs of the refugees, including hiring up to 10 Ukrainians. I e-mailed the general manager to describe the status of our initiative and to discuss how we could make use of the services they are offering. Awaiting a reply.</p>