

UKRAINE CHARITY

ANNUAL REPORT
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Foreword

Dear friends and supporters,

We are pleased to report to you on our joint accomplishments achieved in 2019-20. With your help, we supported another six projects in Ukraine totaling £20,792.

Last year we focused on two of our main areas of support: “Child Development” and “Medical Equipment”. Within “Shelter Camp: Essentials” area, we provided more than £16,300 to support several initiatives of our partners including Plast camp in Wales (UK), a multicomponent art therapy rehabilitation project for children who lost a parent in the conflict in Eastern Ukraine together with “Narodyi Tyl-Rehabilitation”. We supported our longtime partner – Detdom.Info in their Eco-Camp project providing social skills training for children who were brought in orphanage. We funded an amazing project “Write-Read”(«Читай-Пиши») for children from war affected areas. The project conducted by Zhadan Foundation.

Within our “Medical Equipment” programme, we donated £4,465 to the project run by “Твоя Опора”. With your support we provided funds for a new digital X-ray machine monitor for Institute of Pediatric in Kyiv.

Ukraine Charity is humbled by achievements of our fundraisers who did a great job of making true all above-mentioned projects. We are grateful to Denis Ougrin and Roxanne Litynska for raising funds while climbing on Everest, to Pavlo Paska who accomplished great campaign by participating in London Marathon, Krystyna Kozak for running Hackney Half Marathon. Special thank you to Alyona Shevchenko for doing breathtaking “birthday fundraiser – sky diving”

We are very grateful for the support you have provided for Ukraine Charity’s numerous projects to support disadvantaged children in Ukraine. Together we make a difference for those who are in need.

*Sincerely yours,
Ukraine Charity Team*



Our History and Vision

Ukraine Charity was established in 2007 and is registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales, when a small group of Ukrainian professionals from London visited an orphanage in Lviv, western Ukraine. It was almost Christmas and the cold winter was setting in. They saw that the orphanage was in dire need of repairs and lacking even the most basic supplies, leaving the children without proper means to learn and play.

Greatly affected by what they saw, on their return to London the group told their friends and colleagues about the struggling orphanage. A collection was started, and tediously, through small cash donations, funds were raised and transferred to Ukraine, where local builders were employed to renovate the orphanage. The staff and children were delighted with the results.

Since 2017 we funded over 32 projects for total amount of more than £100 000 despite being a small, all-volunteer organisation.

Our vision:

- A safe and caring home for every Ukrainian child, including orphans, children with disabilities, and those from economically disadvantaged backgrounds;
- Modern and fully-equipped health facilities to ensure proper prevention, care and treatment from birth and into adulthood;
- An effective education system and supporting programmes which provide Ukrainian children with skills and opportunities to achieve their full potential;
- A conscientious Ukrainian community in the UK and globally seeking to help the disadvantaged in our homeland with their time, available funds and abilities;
- A positive image for Ukraine and its people building awareness and growing interest in the country and encouraging support around the world for Ukraine's development.



OUR PROJECTS



CHILD DEVELOPMENT



GoCampEast

English language summer camps
for the children of Ukraine

Summer 2019

GoCamp is a new format of school day camps with intensive study of foreign languages. Using a specially developed programme, children will learn to work in teams, communicate in a multicultural environment, think critically, and be tolerant of others.

The main goal is to educate a new young generation of active and conscious citizens of Ukraine, capable of life long learning, and prepared for the challenges of the 21st century, fluent in foreign languages and open to other cultures and experiences.

The project was brought to us by a Ukrainian professional at the EBRD.

Krystyna Kozak raised £5,125 for the project by running Hackney Half marathon





Narodnyi Tyl

A multicomponent art-therapy rehabilitation project for children who lost a parent in the armed conflict in Eastern Ukraine.

Summer 2019



Three groups of children (140 in total) are participating in the rehabilitation program focused on nurturing their creativity. All children lost their fathers in the armed conflict in Eastern Ukraine. The goal of this project is to provide emotional support to children helping them overcome psychological effects of trauma they experienced upon sudden loss of their parent.

- While supported by medical evidence as very effective art-therapy is not offered through the National Health Services in Ukraine. This project was conceived to address this unmet need Pavlo Paska ran London Marathon and managed to raise £3000 for this project





Plast, UK

A Summer Camp in Wales
Summer 2019

It was held in Wales which hosted 26 visiting children from Ukraine from the families affected by the war (including 7 whose fathers are killed in the war).

One of the camp volunteer donated a Taras Shevchenko painting for the Ivana Kupala auction.

The painting fetched £500 via a silent auction and the donor asked if we could support the camp.





Detdom.info

Eco-camp – Closer to the nature – closer to yourself
Summer 2019



The summer camp aimed to help children to learn the basic social skills of living outside orphanages, to teach children how to care about themselves and environment.

The summer camp includes art therapy, career orientation trainings, psychological trainings and support, sports competitions, trainings on basic household skills



“Read-Write”

(ukr. «Читай – Пиши»)

School children Book Review

Zhadan Foundation

Spring 2019



Schoolchildren from the areas affected by the conflict were invited to submit reviews of books in Ukrainian written by the present-day Ukrainian writers the schoolchildren have read recently. The winners got prizes and were invited to visit Kyiv for the award ceremony on the fringes of the Kyiv Book Fair in May 2019. The winners received prizes and also were given an excursion around Kyiv itself.

Denys and Oksana Ougrin's did their fantastic ascent on Everest and raised £5700 for the project.



MEDICAL EQUIPMENT



Tvoya Opora

**Specialized Diagnostic Monitor
for the Institute of Pediatrics in Kyiv**

October 2019

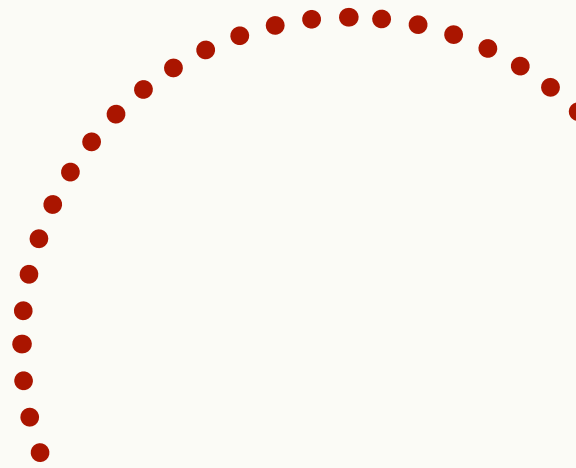
New specialized monitor for digital X-ray machine was funded with support of Ukraine charity donors. The monitor will help to more accurately diagnose ill children.

This new medical equipment is supporting childre who needs complicated diagnose and treatment. It helps to increase the positive chances of their treatment.





OUR EVENTS





Ivana Kupala

“Black tie” party in Blueprint Cafe

27 June 2019

We raised a net £2,700 to support projects in Ukraine.

A special thank you to Evelina De Lain (classical and jazz pianist and composer) and Yuriy Yurchuk (former Royal Opera baritone), Dennis Ougrin and Oksana Litynska (Everest climbing heros). Ukraine Charity friends spent a beautiful (black tie or evening attire!) summer evening over a glass of wine watching the river Thames!



Candlelit Christmas Service

12 January 2020



Thank you from the bottom of our heart to all of you, dear parahvíyani who found time, came to chase joint carols on Sunday 12 January at Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of the Holy Family, also representatives of all public unions of the SUB, OUZH, SUM, Plast and charities London for the participation and common praise of God, the opportunity to connect in the Christmas spirit with Ukraine and all our relatives wherever they are around the world.

The great polish of Bishop Gleb, who came from Paris, to all priests, Choirs of “The Beam of Hope”, Akapeli Cathedra, Alina Bzhezhsinska Lazorkina for great music on the harp, all the readers of evangelical excerpts, all the boys and girls who met at the entrance from the entrance of the Cathedral candles and carols. Thanks to Nadiya Tokarska for the picture of the icon that became the posterom of the event, for the memory and moments in the photo of Zoriana Climenco, Dariya Sklyaryk and Mr. Valentin for the video. Special thanks to the sincere guys and girls, Dream Team, the Volunteer team who brought home-made pastries (this year so much taste and choice of each, thank you) came to cook it all: room and tables, hot wine, couches and left the Cathedral the last ones on cleaning everything after the event.

Thank you for your donations and cooperation. It was raised around £1500, £740 left at the Cathedral Fund of the Blessed Rrdina, the other half for projects in Ukraine for children through Ukraine Charity



Vechornytsi

7 December 2019

Dear supporters of the Ukraine Charity, thank you very much for your continued support and to those of you who found time and came to the traditional Ukrainian event - Vechornyti. Enormous thank you to our professional London photographer Zoriana Climenco for the great photo-memories for us to keep and treasure. We are immensely grateful to all our volunteers, boys and girls, ladies and gents that helped at the different stages before and during the event, from the cake baking to the guests entertainment.

We are privileged to co-operate with the the Ukrainian designers @Svitlo and Kozachka, that organised a beautiful Ukrainian fashion show in collaboration with Ukrainian girls from London. "Prolisok"- the folk dance group of talented boys and girls and their teacher Iryna Yankovuch treated us to the wonderful Ukrainian dances, Gopak was one of them...

Together we had a chance to celebrate the best of the Ukrainian traditions and customs, had fun as a community at the Ukrainian Culture House 154 Holland Park, but most importantly raise money to help in some very worthy projects before Christmas for children in need in Ukraine.



Sky Diving Fundraising

by Alyona Shevchenko

16 November 2019

We congratulate Alyona Shevchenko on her successful inaugural fundraiser for Ukraine Charity! Alyona bravely skydived and raised £800 for Ukrainian children in need, exceeding her original target. It was literally a breathtaking experience!



EBRD Film Screening about Chornobyl Nuclear Disaster

14 November 2019

We are grateful to the EBRD and its Communications Team for choosing to fundraise for Ukraine Charity and Ukrainian children in conjunction with the presentation of the Chornobyl photo album published in commemoration of the construction of the protective shelter.

Ukraine Charity, represented by Oleksiy Soroka and Artem Shyrkozhukhov was honored to participate in this special evening and appreciated this unique opportunity to address such an impressive audience.



Radio Kozachok with Iryna Zeldes Le Brousois

19 June 2019

The program “Know Ours” held a pleasant meeting, meaningful and interesting conversation with a volunteer, representative of the charity organization “Ukraine Charity” - Iryna Zeldes Le Brousois. We wish you success, inspiration, exposure, new ideas and the implementation of everything conceived!





London Triathlon

27 July 2019

Igor Makar and Dmytro Kuziak participated in London Triathlon as part of fundraising campaign and managed to raise £700 for “Nash Dim” project run by our partner organization in Ukraine – Detdom.Info



Vitality Run 10km

26 May 2019

Ukraine Charity Team successfully accomplished 10k run in central London. Big thanks to Oksana Bakun, Halyna Tatara, Ana Ben, Igor Makar, Dmytro Kuziak!



EVEREST ASCENT

by Denys and Oksana Ougrin
22 May 2019

In 2019, Roxanne (Oksana) Litynska and Dennis Ougrin attempted to summit the fabled Mount Everest, the tallest peak on planet Earth. Oksana reached the summit on 22 nd of May! Ukraine Charity is proud to get their support!

Their challenge helped to raise £5700
for Zhadan Foundation's project "Read - Write"



London Marathon

accomplished by Pavlo Paska

28 April 2019

Pavlo stated on his supporting “JustGiving Page”:

“Yes, the title is correct. I am running the London Marathon (42km and 195m) to support Ukraine Charity. Many of you don’t expect to see me taking part in a long distance running race. But, despite the odds and reasonably fit lifestyle in 2018 and completing the half marathon in 1h 49m (better than I expected) and several other races. I decided to step up for a bigger challenge and take part in the most iconic and popular race in the world - Virgin Money London Marathon.

This year will be even more special event as two best athletes in the world - Sir Mo Farah and Eliud Kipchoge will be competing for each other and will try to smash a current record (held by Eliud Kipchoge). And obviously, I will be competing them! My challenge is to beat their combined time. Both of them would finish in 2 hours and something. And my expected time should around 4h.”

Pavlo managed to raise £3000 for the project ran by Narodniy Tyl.

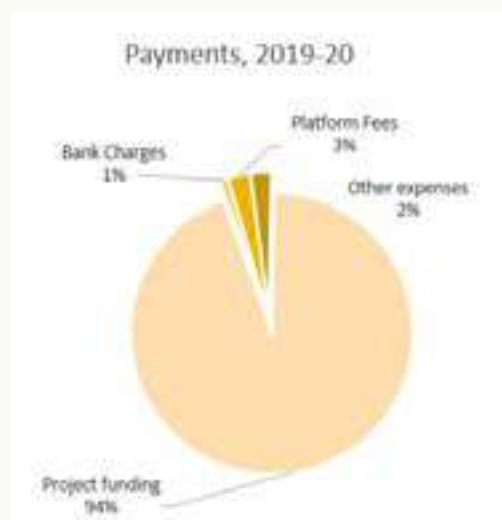
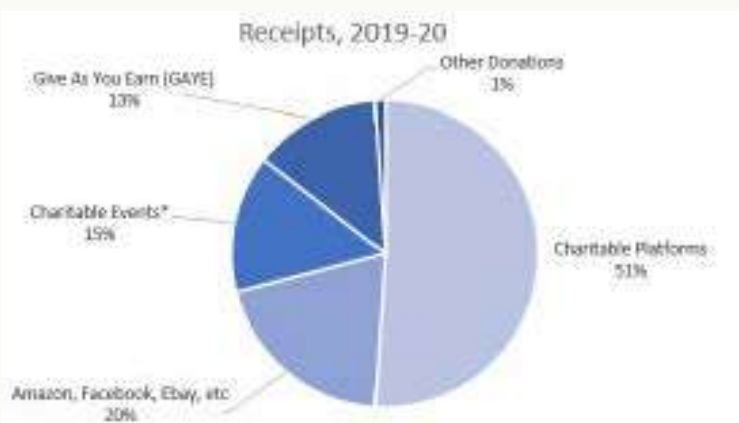


FINANCE

Since 2017, Ukraine Charity has funded 32 different projects for total amount more than £100 thousand. Most of the funds were directed towards Child development Projects (19 projects) and Shelter & Essentials (11 projects). During last three years Ukraine Charity supported two projects related to medical equipment.



In terms of receipts the greatest source of funds in 2019-20 financial year came from charitable platforms such as JustGiving, VirginMoneyGiving, etc. We have seen the increasing activity of our donors on such platforms as Facebook, Amazon, Ebay, Paypal, etc. More than 20% of all funds was donated through them. Our charitable events helped us to raise almost 15% of funds in 2019-2020.



The main outflow of funds in 2019-20 was towards projects supported in Ukraine. Around 94% were directed to our partners for the projects related to the causes supported by Ukraine Charity.

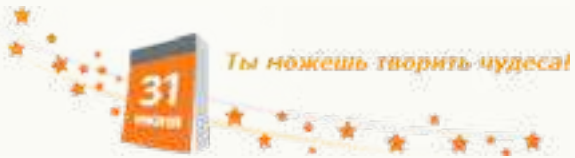
The other expenses were bank fees for money transfers, charges from JustGiving, and administrative cost of running Charity.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Ukraine Charity is present on the biggest Internet platforms



OUR PARTNERS





SPECIAL “THANK YOU”

for your help and support

Ana Ben

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(Zhadan Foundation)

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Iryna Zeldes de Broussois

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