

The winners of the fifth round of the grant competition “Strengthening CSO Capacity for Recovery in Emergency Situations”. The competition is implemented by the Askold and Dir Foundation and administered by ISAR Ednannia within the framework of the project "Strong Civil Society of Ukraine – A Driver of Reforms and Democracy", funded by Norway and Sweden.

No	Organisation	Project Objectives and Expected Results	Sum in NOK
1	Dobrovoltsi-Vohnebotsi	The project aims to strengthen the capacity of volunteer fire teams in target communities to respond effectively and in a coordinated manner to emergencies. The target communities have established networks of volunteer fire teams (five in each community). The project will provide the teams with the necessary equipment and materials for preventive activities, develop their skills in first aid and emergency response, and strengthen operational cooperation among teams within each community.	211710,43
2	Let Your Heart Beat	The project aims to strengthen the organization’s energy resilience to maintain access to social and psychological support services amid the war, blackouts, voltage fluctuations, and prolonged power outages. The project will provide backup power equipment and voltage and current protection relays for key foundation locations, ensuring stable team operations and continuity of critical services for vulnerable groups.	178712,74
3	Slavic Heart	The project aims to strengthen the institutional and operational capacity of the Slovianske Sertse Foundation’s community centers in Kharkiv and Dnipropetrovsk oblasts to ensure continuous access to protection and psychosocial services for vulnerable groups amid daily shelling, disruptions to electricity, water, and heating supplies, and the destruction of critical infrastructure. The project will adapt the centers for operation in emergency conditions, equip them to ensure service continuity, improve the safety and functionality of the spaces, and maintain access for women, children, older people, people with disabilities, internally displaced persons, and other vulnerable groups to crisis support, psychosocial assistance, and navigation to available services.	186179,43
4	Building Ukraine Together	The project aims to strengthen the institutional capacity and crisis response mechanisms of the organization’s network through a three-day training program for 100 representatives of the central team and local branches. Participants will gain knowledge about the organization’s values and approaches, as well as tools for security, inclusive response, and working in crisis conditions. This will improve the quality of the organization’s activities in communities and the effectiveness of its response to recovery-related challenges.	209228,60

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5	ARTESANS-RESQ UKRAINE	The project aims to strengthen Ukraine's emergency medical care system by providing broad access for healthcare professionals to standardized training in the safe transportation of critically ill and injured patients (Critical Care Transport, CCT). The project will adapt, publish, and support an online course on the NHSU Academy platform, allowing professionals to complete high-quality theoretical training without leaving their workplaces and qualify for the practical stage of training. The project will contribute to improving the professional preparedness of medical teams to work in wartime conditions, enhancing the quality of medical evacuation, and developing a sustainable training system for specialists in critical patient transport.	211061,33
6	ROKADA	The project aims to increase the organization's resilience and operational capacity in emergency situations by equipping its network of regional branches, which include mobile teams, with additional power equipment (three generators and 11 charging stations). This will ensure continuity of social services across 11 branches in different regions of Ukraine (Sumy, Kharkiv, Dnipropetrovsk, Zaporizhzhia, Kirovohrad, Kherson, Kyiv, Chernihiv, Lviv, Ivano-Frankivsk, and Volyn oblasts) and support at least 3,500 beneficiaries per month.	208168,31
7	Free People Employment Center	The project aims to strengthen the organization's institutional capacity to provide social services and support to vulnerable groups during wartime emergencies. The project will include a comprehensive organizational security audit, development of a security policy and crisis response protocols, strategic guidance for management, and team training in risk management and psychological first aid with certified experts. This will strengthen the organization's capacity to provide critical services continuously and safely even during escalations related to hostilities.	221616,21
8	Brave	The project aims to strengthen the capacity and coordination of the organization and the CSO network in Kyiv to respond effectively to wartime emergencies, including strikes, destruction of critical infrastructure, and humanitarian crises, with the potential to extend activities to communities in Kyiv Oblast if necessary. It also aims to strengthen the resilience of Kyiv and its communities by preparing more proactive residents and building managers to act after strikes and prepare their buildings for emergencies, while providing access to verified information through pokrokovo.in.ua.	208780,35

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9	Local Communities Development Center	The project aims to strengthen the organization's capacity to provide mobile support to vulnerable groups in accessing basic services in communities of Donetsk Oblast amid the war. The project will organize the work of a mobile multidisciplinary team using partner multi-service centers, develop a referral system to available services, and establish a community feedback mechanism. It will also develop business continuity protocols for the organization to operate in emergencies, strengthening its operational resilience and response quality.	212121,94
10	Ukrainian Volunteer Service	The project aims to strengthen the organization's institutional capacity to respond to war-related emergencies in Kyiv, Kharkiv, Zaporizhzhia, Odesa, and Dnipro. The Ukrainian Volunteer Service has extensive experience mobilizing volunteers to provide targeted assistance rapidly in crisis situations, including during the response to the destruction of the Kakhovka Hydroelectric Power Plant, massive attacks on Ukrainian cities, and national energy crises. The project will train a team of 30 professional volunteer response coordinators in key Ukrainian cities, create an online course and volunteer reserve for rapid mobilization, and strengthen the Ukrainian Volunteer Service's internal security and operational protocols.	189245,14
11	ELING TRAINING CENTER	The project aims to strengthen the organization's institutional and programmatic capacity by developing expertise in creating and implementing educational solutions for the healthcare sector in emergency situations. The project will develop and pilot practice-oriented training programs and train a team of instructors from among representatives of the NGO of young medical professionals "MedRise," who will provide training for healthcare workers in frontline areas. The project will contribute to improving the quality and accessibility of medical and psychological services for vulnerable groups and create the basis for further scaling of training programs and strengthening the resilience of the healthcare system in crisis conditions.	169829,07
12	Enjoying life	The "Lunch Without Poverty" project provides hot meals five days a week to more than 1,000 older people at nine locations in Kyiv. The project supports their food security and contributes to improved emotional resilience through interaction with the project team and other beneficiaries. The project requires organizational support to cover team and logistics costs.	203738,69
13	National agency for humanitarian aid «ZDOROVİ»	The project aims to ensure the delivery of medical medicines and equipment provided free of charge by international partners to healthcare facilities in Ukraine by financing international and domestic logistics.	208999,80

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14	Caritas of the Sambir-Drohobych Eparchy of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church	The project aims to strengthen the autonomy and safety of people with disabilities, including internally displaced persons, in the Drohobych region amid critical infrastructure challenges. By transforming an existing day center for people with disabilities into an energy-independent inclusive hub, the organization will ensure the continuity of psychosocial rehabilitation, vocational adaptation, and crisis support. The initiative will help prevent deterioration in beneficiaries' physical and emotional well-being during blackouts and humanitarian crises, while strengthening the capacity of the local CSO to act as an agent of inclusive community recovery.	212121,94
15	Come out and play	The project aims to strengthen the capacity of the "Go Play" NGO and the communities of Zaporizhzhia, Nikopol, and Zelenodolsk to ensure continuous access to psychosocial, legal, and educational services for vulnerable groups amid infrastructure and humanitarian crises. Through mobile and adaptive formats, regular needs assessments, and informing local authorities, the project will improve responses to challenges and reduce barriers to accessing basic services. At the same time, the project will strengthen the organization's institutional preparedness to operate in emergency conditions.	211443,15
16	Hurkit	The project aims to strengthen the capacity of civil society organization volunteers by developing skills in psychological resilience, stress management, leadership, and effective interaction. The organization will conduct a series of online and offline events involving certified experts to improve volunteers' professional preparedness to work in conditions of prolonged crisis. The project will help reduce the risks of emotional exhaustion and burnout, strengthen coordination among civil society organizations, and ensure the continuity of support for vulnerable groups.	193157,61
17	Human Rights Movement For The Support Of Refugee Rights And Restoration Of Donbas	The project aims to strengthen the organization's capacity to provide crisis legal navigation, case management, and needs monitoring for internally displaced persons, older people, and people with disabilities in Kamianske and Pavlohrad, Dnipropetrovsk Oblast. The project will establish an accessible mechanism for submitting requests, provide individualized support for complex cases, facilitate referrals to relevant services, and coordinate with local providers of social, administrative, and legal services. This will enable vulnerable groups to maintain continuous access to basic services amid emergency challenges while strengthening the organization's own crisis response and human rights protection system.	208999,80

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18	Information Center "»nitiative»"	The project aims to strengthen the professional capacity of social work specialists to provide crisis social support to people with disabilities and other vulnerable groups in communities affected by crises. Through case management training and the development of practical tools for professionals, the project will facilitate the adaptation of social service delivery to emergency conditions and help create an inclusive and supportive environment for people in need. This will enable more effective responses to community needs while maintaining access to services during acute crises.	93726,08
19	Rivne regional organization of the Ukrainian Red Cross Society	The project involves establishing an Invincibility Point to respond to emergencies and support an intermediate evacuation point. The facility will provide people with warmth, electricity, and basic necessities during crises. The project will strengthen the community's capacity to respond promptly to various types of challenges and provide support to the population, including during evacuation operations.	187632,48
20	HAND OF CONFIDENCE	The project aims to equip an existing shelter and educational facilities with mobile furniture, interactive equipment, and rehabilitation equipment to create a multifunctional educational hub. The goal is to ensure continuity of education and psychosocial support for children and students in the community in a safe and professionally equipped environment. The project will transform the facility into a resilience center where modern technologies and equipment will be accessible to all children and young learners in the region.	210021,51
21	Ordinary People	The project aims to strengthen the organization's capacity to continuously provide critical social and psychosocial services amid power outages, security instability, and growing humanitarian needs in communities of Kharkiv Oblast. The project will strengthen the team's energy resilience, introduce a digital CRM system for service coordination and needs monitoring, and provide HR support and measures to reduce professional burnout, helping maintain team effectiveness in emergency conditions.	200030,99
22	KIDS FUTURE	The project aims to ensure the continuous development of preschool and early school-age children in rural communities by adapting educational services to emergency conditions. The project will pilot an alternative community-based learning format that will maintain access to basic educational services when educational institutions operate unreliably. The project builds on an existing practice of working with children in the community and the foundation's experience of providing material support to more than 25 rural kindergartens and over 900 children, demonstrating its practicality and potential for scaling.	200727,58

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23	Foundation 03:00	The project aims to strengthen the inclusive capacity of communities in Dnipropetrovsk Oblast and improve access to medical and social services for people with visual impairments, including veterans. The project will provide training for professionals, advisory support to institutions, and the introduction of accessibility practices, contributing to improved service quality and the wider adoption of inclusive approaches at the community level.	221616,21
24	Molod Vasykivshchyny	The project aims to ensure continuous access for residents of the Vasykiv community to psychosocial support, social cohesion services, and basic services amid energy and infrastructure crises. An energy-independent hub will be established and a mobile support team organized to provide assistance to vulnerable groups and access to communication and power during blackouts.	198972,35
25	One Hundred Percent Life Cherkasy	The project aims to strengthen the organization's capacity to ensure continuous access for vulnerable groups in Cherkasy Oblast to psychosocial, social, and navigation services during crises. The project will introduce team supervision, strengthen intersectoral referral mechanisms, improve conditions at the reintegration center, and equip workstations for case management. The project will contribute to increasing the organization's resilience and ensuring timely and continuous access for clients to the support they need.	211871,64