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# UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME IN UKRAINE

Supporting Ukraine's Vision:  
Transparent, Inclusive, and Sustainable Development

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Ukraine is committed to a transparent, inclusive, digital, and environmentally sustainable future, even as it reconstructs and moves towards EU accession. The country's leadership is prioritizing "building back better" through community-driven approaches and green growth.

UNDP is a key partner in this transformative vision. It works with the Ukrainian government, local communities, and civil society to build institutional capacity and facilitate evidence-based recovery. Its Area-Based Development Framework helps Ukraine integrate governance reform, infrastructure rehabilitation, and economic revitalization, all while ensuring gender equality. By aligning reconstruction with climate-adaptive solutions and transparent recovery planning, UNDP is helping Ukraine build a resilient, equitable, and sustainable future that empowers communities to shape their own recovery.

## Context



**U.S. \$524 billion**  
needed for recovery in  
Ukraine over next decade



**4.6 million**  
registered IDPs



**Vulnerable**  
hardest hit



Poverty at  
**35.5%** (2023, GoU)



**6.2 million**  
externally displaced



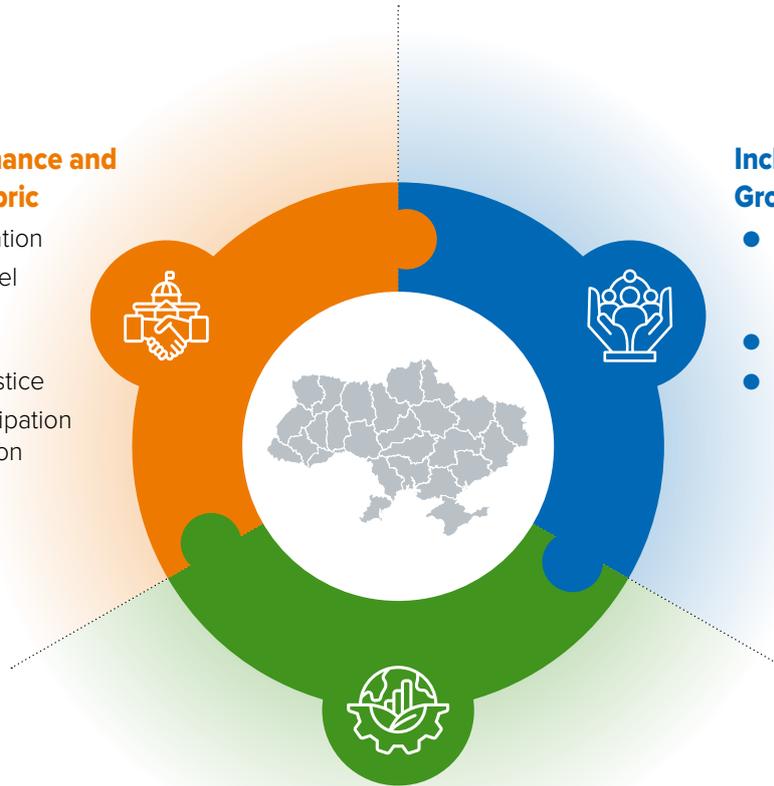
Progress to SDGs  
**set back**

**Over 13,000** civilians killed (\*actual toll is likely to be much higher)

# Focus Areas

## Democratic Governance and Inclusive Social Fabric

- Digital Transformation
- Effective Multi-level Governance
- Human Rights and Access to Justice
- Democratic Participation and Social Inclusion



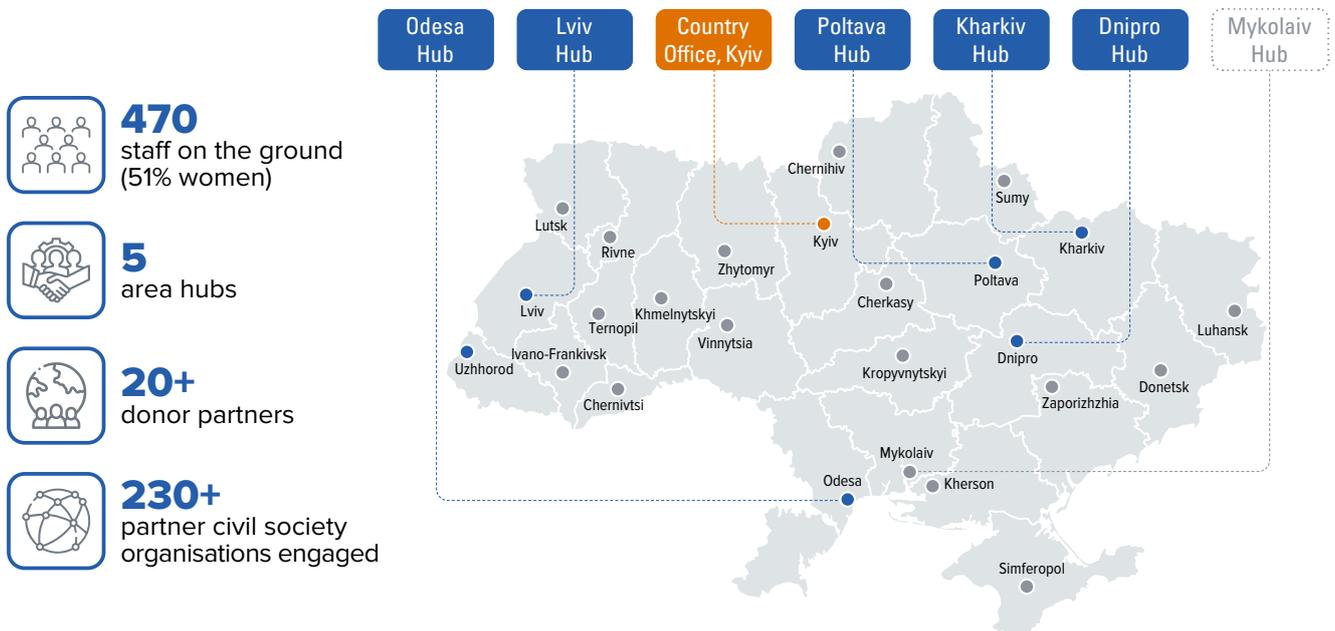
## Inclusive Economic Growth

- Social and Economic Infrastructure Development
- Mine Action
- Sustainable Economic Development

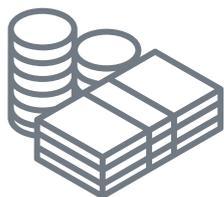
## Sustainable Environment and Energy Transformation

- Climate Change, Mitigation and Adaptation
- Sustainable Management of Natural Resources and Environmental Protection
- Energy Security and Green Transition

# Operational Presence

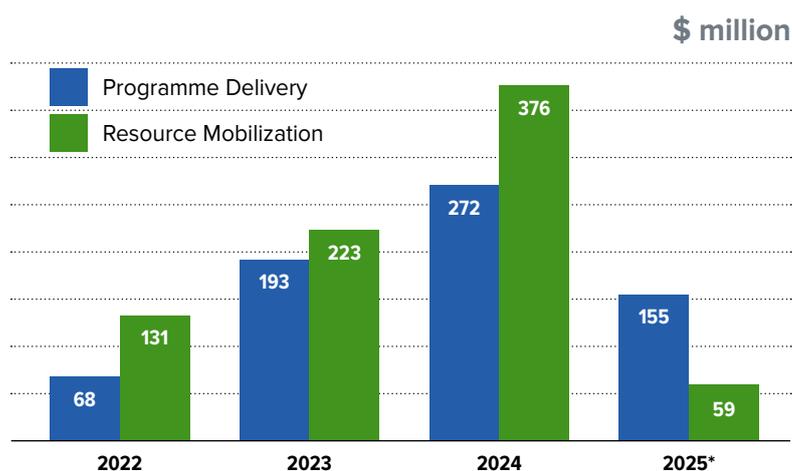


# Funding



**over \$800 million**

**mobilized since February 2022**



\* As of 4 July 2025

# Achievements

- UNDP supported more than **100 communities** across Ukraine to facilitate recovery and reconstruction, promote resilience and streamline reforms.
- **166 national institutions** strengthened public administration and improved service delivery, thanks to which almost **5 million people** received scaled-up access to administrative services, and over **330,000 people** benefitted from improved social and administrative infrastructure.
- More than **25,000 women and men received livelihood support**, and over 25,000 MSMEs received improved services from partner Business Membership Organisations (BMOs).
- Some **23 million people** regained access to basic services through the **sustainable recovery of the energy sector**.
- UNDP-supported **e-services and digital tools** were used more than 380,000 times in 2024 and have been used over **35 million times** since 2021 (60% women users).



## DEMOCRATIC GOVERNANCE AND INCLUSIVE SOCIAL FABRIC

### Improving access to public services and promoting digital transformation

- The Government of Ukraine, supported by UNDP, launched **a range of e-services and digital tools** to improve public service delivery, focusing on veterans, older individuals, and vulnerable groups. The UNDP-supported e-services and digital tools were used more than 380,000 times in 2024 and have been used over **35 million times** since 2021 (60% women users).
- Administrative services were revitalized for **over 320,000 people** through mobile units and modular centres, reaching underserved communities, including **34,000 beneficiaries in Mykolaiv, Poltava, and Sumy oblasts**.

## Mainstreaming human rights and promoting access to justice

- Through consistent support for human rights organizations, UNDP has contributed to Ukraine's ratification of the Rome Statute (key Universal Periodic Review recommendation) and becoming a full member of the International Criminal Court.
- In the recent Human Rights Progress Study, 46% of surveyed human rights defenders noted improved performance by the Ombudsperson's Office.
- **Over 1,900 lawyers** in the Free Legal Aid System (FLAS) received specialized training in human-centred communication, which facilitated the **delivery of more than 220,115 consultations to clients**.

## Promoting social cohesion and inclusion

- UNDP supported the national youth recovery programme VidNOVA:UA, now in its third year, engaging over **720 young people** in 24 exchanges. This effort contributed to the renovation and opening of **24 youth centres in 17 oblasts**.
- In 2024, UNDP prioritized **community-based reintegration (CBR) approaches for veterans**, developing **reintegration programmes in 6 communities and 2 oblasts**. These programmes involved local authorities, CSOs, and veterans in assessing and improving reintegration support systems.

## Advancing recovery planning and implementation

- Local authorities in **10 communities were given support in developing recovery plans**, complemented by civic oversight, engaging 851 residents and civil society representatives.
- **Four new Recovery and Development Offices were established**, ensuring the enhanced coordination of community recovery efforts. Recovery and Development Offices in Mykolaiv city and oblast, with expert support from UNDP, developed over **200 community recovery and development projects**, with 108 projects successfully securing funding.



## INCLUSIVE AND SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC RECOVERY AND GROWTH

### Improving the business environment, generating sustainable jobs and livelihoods

- UNDP interventions enhanced Business Membership Organization (BMO) organizational capacity, expanded Business Development Services (BDS), and fostered a public-private dialogue. A multilevel membership model, introduced by 24 partner BMOs, reached almost 25,000 MSMEs, providing access to informational and learning programmes to navigate the crisis and recover.
- UNDP aligned workforce capabilities with market demands by equipping 219 vocational education and training (VET) staff with skills in inclusive training, investment planning, and crisis management.
- UNDP initiatives created 164 jobs (112 jobs for women) and indirectly benefited 149,147 individuals (89,488 women), including 319 IDPs. Community livelihoods were strengthened in nine oblasts through business hubs and training centres.

### Advancing economic recovery, underpinned by infrastructure rehabilitation and mine action

- With UNDP support in 2024, 21 infrastructure facilities, including healthcare centres, educational institutions, water systems, and housing, were completed, directly benefiting over 25,000 individuals and enhancing access to essential services.
- Educational improvements benefited 18,216 children and teachers, with 48 facilities renovated and 118 equipped with modern resources.

- UNDP also addressed the critical need for mine action in Ukraine, returning to productive use 3.9 million square metres of land through Non-Technical Surveys, Technical Surveys, and Clearance operations, enabling the resumption of agricultural, residential, and economic activities in previously hazardous areas.
- UNDP equipped 202 demining teams within the State Emergency Service (SESU).



## SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY TRANSFORMATION

### Rehabilitating critical infrastructure, enabling access to energy and essential services and enhancing energy efficiency

- UNDP has significantly boosted Ukraine's energy resilience, delivering over **469 megawatts of energy-generating equipment** – 40% of the government's 2024 target – and ensuring stable services for over **23 million people**. This includes installing new cogeneration units in Odesa, providing 19.8 MW of autonomous power for nearly a million residents.
- Beyond emergency efforts, UNDP is fostering **sustainable energy through innovative financing** via the Decarbonisation and ESCO Funds, which have already backed 17 projects worth over UAH 90 million (\$2.16 million). With UNDP's technical support, Ukraine has streamlined regulations to attract investment in decentralized, sustainable energy and implemented 138 ESCO energy efficiency pilots, including 87 solar power plants (13 MW total) for hospitals and water utilities. These initiatives have **mobilized \$10 million in private investment** and created **4,562 green jobs**.
- To build local capacity, UNDP has trained nearly **4,500 energy managers and auditors**, established an **Emergency Energy Crisis Technical HQ** at the Ministry of Energy, and launched specialized solar energy training for veterans and women.

### Addressing environmental war damages and protecting natural resources

- With UNDP's support, a number of strategic documents have been developed: **Long-Term Low-Emission Development Strategy**, Strategic Environmental Assessment of the draft **Hydrogen Strategy** of Ukraine, and the draft **National Energy and Climate Plan** of Ukraine.
- To address the damage to the environment caused by the war, UNDP provided the **State Operational Centre on Environmental Damage Assessment** with operational and advisory support.



## UNLOCKING INTERNATIONAL FINANCING FOR RECOVERY

UNDP has played a crucial role in enabling Ukraine's access to international financing for recovery. Through providing technical assistance and quality assurance for the implementation of recovery and energy efficiency projects, UNDP has helped the Ukrainian government unlock more than \$940 million in loans from the European Investment Bank. Additionally, UNDP has developed innovative financing solutions to address Ukraine's \$30 billion mine action funding requirement, and created financial mechanisms that de-risk investments in energy efficiency projects across municipalities. UNDP is working on designing and implementing new tools to attract private capital, such as development and blended finance models, and financial risk mitigation instruments. Using these, our ambition is to mobilize U.S. \$4–5 in private capital for every dollar invested.

# Building Evidence for Recovery Planning

UNDP assists the Ukrainian government in evidence-based recovery planning through data collection, analysis and knowledge management. In collaboration with national partners, UNDP has conducted comprehensive building damage assessments across 426 settlements, identifying approximately 1.3 million damaged buildings. These evidence-building initiatives provide the government with reliable data for prioritizing recovery activities, coordinating aid effectively, and developing targeted recovery strategies.

## PUBLICATIONS

**Ukraine – Fourth Rapid Damage and Needs Assessment (RDNA4): February 2022 – December 2024**



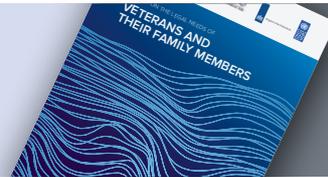
**Social Cohesion in Ukraine: Key Trends based on reSCORE 2024**



**Impact of War on Youth in Ukraine – 2024**



**Survey on the Legal Needs of Veterans and Their Family Members**



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