Thank you for protecting children during war

When the war in Ukraine began, Valentyna’s home in Kherson became occupied. Tanks roamed the streets and aircraft loomed in the sky. Each day was worse than the one before and Valentyna knew she needed to evacuate her home to protect her four children. The family fled in search of help and refuge.

On their journey, Valentyna found out that SOS Children’s Villages could assist her family. They traveled to the children’s village in Brovary - more than 270 miles from Kherson. “I thought they would let us stay for a night or two. Instead, we got a fairytale,” says Valentyna.

Because of your support, Valentyna’s family is safe in a warm and comfortable house, her children attend school again and they have hope that they will be able to rebuild their lives.

“I still can’t believe our luck being here at SOS Children’s Villages,” Valentyna says. “I keep asking people whether it’s true. People tell me to believe it is.”

Your generosity has transformed the lives of more than 276,000 children and families, like Valentyna’s, through emergency response efforts in Ukraine and 10 nearby European countries over the past year. Thank you for making this possible.

Your Impact

- **284,643 children and families** were helped through our emergency response programs in Ukraine and nearby countries
- **50,000 people** received immediate humanitarian aid in partnership with local organizations
- **23,000 vulnerable families** received financial assistance through cash and vouchers
- **17,000 children and parents** participated in psychosocial and recreational activities to cope with the trauma of war
- **10,000 children and families** were relocated out of high-risk zones and given shelter, health care and employment opportunities