





RESPONSE AND PEACE AND SECURITY SETTINGS IN MOLDOVA

LEADERSHIP, AND EMPOWERMENT IN HUMANITARIAN

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## THE WOMEN'S PEACE AND HUMANITARIAN FUND

The Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund (WPHF) is a global partnership that empowers local women to be a force for crisis response and lasting peace by stimulating funding for women's participation, leadership, and empowerment in situations of conflict and humanitarian crisis. To achieve the goal of creating peaceful and gender equal societies, WPHF finances projects with the following impact areas:

- Enabling environment for the implementation of Women Peace and Security (WPS) commitments (institutional funding)
- 2. Conflict prevention
- 3. Humanitarian and crisis response
- 4. Conflict resolution
- 5. Protection of women and girls
- 6. Peacebuilding and recovery

WPHF aims to ensure financing and coordination of local civil society organizations working to protect rights, prevent and end sexual gender-based violence, support the needs of women refugees, and make the perspectives of women central to humanitarian response efforts in Moldova and Ukraine.<sup>2</sup>

#### WPHF IN MOLDOVA

As a funding mechanism designed to support women-led and women's rights organisations in crisis settings and following the invasion of the Ukraine by the Russian government in February 2022, UN Women Moldova has as of February 2023 signed partner agreements with 18 local and national civil society organizations (CSOs) and women's rights organizations/women-led organizations to be supported by the WPHF, implementing overall 20 projects in 2022 and 2023. As over 97% of refugees live with or amongst the host communities in Moldova<sup>3</sup>, involving community-based and grassroots organizations in the refugee response is critical. Through the partnership with WPHF, UN Women Moldova is providing institutional as well as programmatic funding to these partners to support the refugee response and their involvement in humanitarian coordination structures, which enables the CSOs to increase their capacities to deliver services, goods, and resources to women in humanitarian settings and to monitor the quality of services, goods, and resources with the refugees' needs.4

Through a series of targeted Calls for Proposals as part of its emergency track, WPHF launched Phase 1 and Phase 2 for proposals for Ukrainian and Moldovan women's rights organization, in March and April 2022. This response focused on WPHF **Outcome 1** (Enabling Environment for WPS), **Outcome 3** (Humanitarian and Crisis Response) and **Outcome 5** (Protection of Women and Girls), in addition to **Outcome 6** (Participation of Women and Girls in Peacebuilding and Recovery). In June 2022, WPHF launched a third Call for Proposals as part of its Regular Funding Cycle, with a specific focus on the economic recovery and political participation of women and girls in peacebuilding contexts, in line with impact area 6.

<sup>1</sup> https://wphfund.org/our-mission/

<sup>2</sup> https://wphfund.org/countries/ukraine/

<sup>3</sup> UNHCR Operational Data Portal: https://data.unhcr.org/en/dataviz/248?sv=0&geo=680

<sup>4</sup> https://wphfund.org/countries/ukraine/

#### **OVERVIEW OF PARTNER INTERVENTIONS**



OUTCOME 1 - ENABLING ENVIRON-MENT FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF WOMEN PEACE AND SECURITY COMMITMENTS (STRENGTHENING INSTITUTIONS)

#### **FEMEI PENTRU FEMEI (WOMEN FOR WOMEN)**

**Project:** Building resilient women's organizations for feminist peacebuilding.

**Goal:** Women for Women will increase its resilience through strengthening its institutional capacity (good governance and leadership, financial management and fundraising).

**BUDGET: USD 30,000** June 2022 - June 2023

#### **ROMNI - ROMA WOMEN'S PLATFORM**

**Project:** Strengthening the role of the Roma Women's Platform "ROMNI" to advocate for the rights and accountability towards Roma women in Moldova and their inclusion in national, regional and international processes around the WPS.

**Goal:** To build the capacity of staff in resource mobilization, update the organizational strategy, communications and fundraising plans, develop a new PSEA policy, and support the payment of rent and utilities for 12 months.

BUDGET: USD 30,000 January - December 2023

#### **MOTIVATIE**

**Project:** Capacity building and strengthening of the organization's team and their members to respond efficiently and promptly to the humanitarian crisis.

**Goal:** To strengthen capacity in proposal writing, improve the well-being of staff, introduce stress-relief strategies and burnout management as well as to develop a new organizational strategic plan along with a new web page.

BUDGET: USD 30,000 January - June 2023

#### **WOMEN'S POLITICAL CLUB 50/50 (WPC)**

**Project:** Strengthening the Institutional Capacity of the Platform for Gender Equality from Moldova.

**Goal:** To strengthen the institutional capacity of the Platform for Gender Equality in Moldova, the non-formal network of 44 NGOs and activists in the field of women's rights and gender equality.

BUDGET: USD 30,000 January - August 2023

#### UNION FOR EQUITY AND HEALTH

**Project:** Building peaceful and gender equal society in Republic of Moldova.

**Goal:** To raise the association team capacity, motivation and resilience for work in crisis period, maintaining the capacity to work both with local community and community of the refugees, with a specific focus on women and young women from Ukraine peaceful and gender equal society inthe Republic of Moldova.

**BUDGET: USD 30,000** 

January - December 2023

### PUBLIC ASSOCIATION KATALYST

**Project:** Strengthen the Institutional Capacity for Enhancing the Food Security of Women in Forced Displacement.

**Goal:** To support vulnerable women who were disproportionately affected by the war and boost the livelihood of small farmers and manufacturers.

**BUDGET: USD 30,000** 

January - August 2023



OUTCOME 3 - HUMANITARIAN AND CRISIS RESPONSE

#### **MOTIVATIE**

**Project:** Solidarity and activism for peace.

**Goal:** To enhance participation of women from Leova, Sholdanesti and Ialoveni districts in humanitarian planning and response to achieve two specific objectives (1) Increasing the capacity of almost 36 women with and without disabilities (2) Improving the inclusive and gender humanitarian response.

**BUDGET: USD 87,000** 

June 2022 - June 2023

### PUBLIC ASSOCIATION GENDER-CENTRU

**Project:** Feminist and localized humanitarian action.

**Goal:** To enhance participation and leadership of women in humanitarian planning processes and response to ensure that the different needs and capacities of affected refugees will be met.

**BUDGET: USD 244,278** 

June 2022 - June 2023

### PUBLIC ASSOCIATION "INSTITUTUM VIRTUTES CIVILIS"

**Project:** Strengthening the public - private partnership for better response to the refugee crisis in Moldova.

**Goal:** To empower women led organizations to participate in humanitarian planning and response. Increase the number of incentives taken by women led CSOs in partnership with authorities.

**BUDGET: USD 244,645** 

July 2022 - July 2023



### OUTCOME 5 - PROTECTION OF WOMEN AND GIRLS

#### **INTERNATIONAL CENTER "LA STRADA"**

**Project:** Protecting women from gender-based and sexual violence in emergencies.

**Goal:** To build strong capacities of local small NGOs in the field of anti-violence, in order in order to identify early the vulnerabilities and needs of women and girls at risk of violence, especially in humanitarian crises.

**BUDGET: USD 142,589** 

April 2022 - November 2022

#### **WOMEN'S LAW CENTER**

**Project:** Building peace and resilient women, organizations, and community.

**Goal:** Contribute to building peace and resilient women.

**BUDGET: USD 150,000** *May 2022 - January 2022* 



### OUTCOME 6 - PEACEBUILDING AND RECOVERY

#### **PUBLIC ASSOCIATION HELP (AO HELP)**

**Project:** Women leaders of today - Peace of tomorrow.

**Goal:** To help and involve Ukrainian refugees in the economic, social and political life of the Republic of Moldova through supporting the integration of displaced women and young women in their host communities, facilitating women and young women's leadership potential and socio-economic empowerment by strengthening their entrepreneurial skills and facilitating access to counselling, business development and financing.

**BUDGET: USD 348,354** 

January - December 2023

### NATIONAL YOUTH COUNCL OF MOLDOVA (CNTM)

**Project:** Empowering Crises Affected Women for a Richer and More Stable Society.

**Goal:** To increase recognition of placing women's agency at the centre of the transition from crisis to continuous development and ensuring the benefit of the whole host community.

**BUDGET: USD 344,920** 

January - December 2023

#### FEMEI PENTRU FEMEI (WOMEN FOR WOMEN)

**Project:** U-Power - Supporting women's and girls' leadership and social cohesion in peace building contexts.

**Goal:** To improve the socio-economic recovery and civic participation of women and girls in peace building contexts by supporting Ukrainian refugee women and girls and women and girls from Moldova through a series of innovative and interactive capacity-building activities, and professional, economic, and personal development.

**BUDGET: USD 149,074** 

January - December 2023

### PUBLIC ASSOCIATION GENERATIA-NIKA

**Project:** Increasing women's and youth's socio-economic resilience and meaningful participation in social and community life, elevating their voices as agency in the crisis and peace building context.

**Goal:** To help women and youth, both local and refugees, to increase their resilience in the situations of crisis, to lead to greater economic and social transformation, help them to develop new skills and enhance their business capacities through networking, education, and business training and mentorship.

**BUDGET: USD 274,020** 

January - November 2023

### THE MOLDOVA PROJECT ASSOCIATION

Project: Venture Women Project.

**Goal:** To support, encourage and develop entrepreneurship of refugee women by improving their skills, financing 20 business ideas, and increasing the employment rate among at least 200 unemployed refugee women in the regions of Ungheni, Calarasi, Chisinau and Transnistria.

**BUDGET: USD 348,921** 

January - December 2023

#### **COPIL COMUNITATE FAMILIE (CCF) MOLDOVA**

**Project:** Protecting Families – Supporting female empowerment and child wellbeing in Moldova.

**Goal:** To develop multi-sectorial, wrap-around services for refugee women refugee women to build and strengthen their vocational skills, leadership skills and self-confidence as well as to provide support to confirm legal status and ensure children's.

**BUDGET: USD 349,959** 

January - December 2023

### ASSOCIATION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH "FACLIA"

**Project:** Support network for solidarity and socio-economic empowerment of Ukrainian refugee women – Career Centers for Women.

**Goal**: To develop a support infrastructure for socio-professional integration of displaced women and girls from Ukraine and host community by respecting the principles of integrity, equal opportunities, solidarity in their efforts for economic, social and labour market integration in the host communities of the Republic of Moldova.

Budget: USD 239,936 January - December 2023

### AGENCY FOR INNOVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

**Project:** Support and adaptation of women refugees in a crisis.

**Goal:** To support women refugees from Ukraine to remain or become financially independent and be economically and socially empowered on the new territory.

Budget: USD 172,000 January - December 2023

# ASSOCIATION OF ENTREPRENEURS WITH DISABILITIES FROM MOLDOVA "EUROPEAN ABILITIES WITHOUT LIMITS"

**Project:** Stronger together: Ukrainian women refugees have better economic opportunities in the Republic of Moldova.

**Goal:** To strengthen the skills of Ukrainian women refugees to become more economically independent and to enhance their inclusion in the political and social dialogue with parties and local public administration in order to ensure that the needs of women refugees in public policies and electoral programs are included.

Budget: USD 224,191 January - December 2023

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