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FACTS:

- **Year mission started:** 2022
- **Beneficiaries reached:** 1,406,449 people supported across Ukraine since 2022
- **Partners:** DCA-NCA works with **11 partners** in Ukraine and has supported more than **200 community initiatives** and **local projects**
- **Number of employees:** Over 210 staff members
- **Turnover:** 131 million DKK
- **Country Director:** Peter Bo Larsen

OPERATIONAL CONTEXT:

Since the full-scale invasion of Ukraine in February 2022 by Russia, millions of Ukrainians have been impacted by the war:

- **12.7 million** people in Ukraine require humanitarian assistance in 2025.
- **3.7 million** people are internally displaced within Ukraine.
- **6.9 million** Ukrainians remain displaced abroad as refugees.
- **Around 174,000 km² (approximately 30% of Ukraine's territory)** potentially affected by landmines and explosive remnants of war, making Ukraine one of the most mine-contaminated countries in the world.
- Around **10 million people are estimated to be at risk of or experiencing mental health challenges** due to the impact of the war.
- More than **2.5 million homes** (around 13% of the housing stock) have been damaged or destroyed since February 2022.
- **Over 40,000 civilian casualties** have been recorded since the start of the full-scale invasion.

WHAT WE DO:

- **Humanitarian Mine Action (HMA):** We conduct surveys, clear land contaminated by landmines and explosive remnants of war, and deliver Explosive Ordnance Risk Education (EORE) to help people stay safe. We also support victims of explosive incidents through victim assistance activities.
- **Water, Sanitation and Energy:** Together with local partners and authorities, we restore and improve access to safe water, sanitation, hygiene, and heating services through the rehabilitation and repair of essential community infrastructure.
- **Protection:** We provide psychosocial support to conflict-affected people and strengthen community-based protection services. Through Women and Girls Safe Spaces, we offer safe environments, information, referrals, and support for women and girls.
- **Livelihoods:** We support conflict-affected households and farmers in restoring their livelihoods through agricultural assistance and cash support, helping families recover and meet essential needs.
- **Community Grants:** We fund community-led initiatives that address local priorities, strengthen local capacities, and support inclusive recovery and resilience.
- **Localisation and Capacity Building:** We strengthen Ukrainian partner organisations in their role as civil society actors and enhance their capacity to independently design, manage, and implement humanitarian and recovery programmes.

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HOW AND WHERE WE WORK:

DCA-NCA works across Ukraine through an integrated humanitarian and recovery programme implemented with Ukrainian partners, local authorities, and communities. Our work includes humanitarian mine action, protection, livelihoods, WASH, infrastructure rehabilitation, community grants, legal aid, and winter assistance, combining immediate support with long-term recovery and resilience-building.

Regional efforts

Mykolaiv and Kherson Oblasts: Since opening its Mykolaiv office and Mine Action Training Centre in 2023, DCA-NCA has expanded humanitarian mine action and protection programmes in southern Ukraine. Activities include mine action, WASH, livelihoods, community grants, and the restoration of critical infrastructure such as water systems, heating networks, and boiler houses. Mine action helps communities safely access homes, farmland, and public services, while the release of agricultural land supports food security and economic recovery.

Dnipropetrovsk and Zaporizhzhia Oblasts: Since opening its Dnipro office in 2024, DCA-NCA has expanded its response in eastern and south-eastern Ukraine. WASH programmes rehabilitate water and heating infrastructure and improve access to safe drinking water. Protection activities provide psychosocial support and assistance to vulnerable groups.

Kyiv Oblast: DCA-NCA supports local NGOs, community initiatives, and protection programmes through grants, capacity building, psychosocial support, and assistance to vulnerable groups.

Lviv: The "Balance in Your Ministry" programme supports pastors, priests, and church ministers across Ukraine, focusing on psychosocial well-being, healthy community interaction, and conflict prevention and resolution.

Women and girls safe spaces: DCA-NCA operates Women and Girls Safe Spaces (WGSS) providing psychosocial support, information, referrals, life-skills activities, and safe community environments. Since 2024, DCA-NCA has operated a WGSS in Mykolaiv, with a second space opened in Kamianske in 2025.

Nationwide Support: Across Ukraine, DCA-NCA supports local NGOs, community groups, and civil society organisations through grants, cash assistance, and capacity strengthening. Its localisation approach enables Ukrainian partners to lead and implement humanitarian and recovery programmes independently.

Future Priorities

Expanding humanitarian mine action and victim assistance;

- Strengthening Ukrainian civil society and localisation;
- Scaling up protection and MHPSS services;
- Increasing access to safe water and restoring critical infrastructure;
- Supporting livelihood recovery and resilient agriculture;
- Expanding cash assistance and community-led recovery.

Through these efforts, DCA-NCA provides integrated humanitarian assistance, supports early recovery, and contributes to the long-term resilience of conflict-affected communities across Ukraine.



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