

In the face of the Russian aggression, KIK's mission was to help Ukraine's people. KIK (pronounced as "keek") acted swiftly on many fronts.

- As a neighbor, Poland is perfectly positioned to help the people of Ukraine.
- Within Poland, KIK (Club of Catholic Intelligentsia) is unique in terms of its capabilities and mission.
- KIK has experience and human resources already deployed to help Ukrainian children and youth on the basis of:
 - established cooperation with Ukrainian NGOs since 2014
 - a track record of helping Ukrainians during the war (mobilizing \$3.5m & impacting lives of almost 3,000 children and widows since February 2022).
 - over 5 decades of experience in youth formation, running scout-like youth groups, as well as own experience of shaping post-communist country transformation



Our 4 flagship projects embrace the idea of educating for peace, promoting cooperation and solidarity over competition.

Our projects for children & youth span 4 areas that strengthen civil society in Ukraine and Poland:

1. **Education:** operating a Warsaw Ukrainian School for 270 Ukrainian children and providing workshops for dual-curriculum teachers.
2. **Integration and social cohesion:** running bi-national summer and winter camps to build relationships between children and youth from Poland and Ukraine.
3. **Leadership:** training future Polish - Ukrainian leaders; experiential learning in mixed groups to teach problem solving, peaceful conflict resolution and group integration skills.
4. **Respite:** providing opportunities for respite and recollection to children of Ukrainian soldiers who have fallen at war.

Re: 2. Integration and social cohesion: Children need opportunities to integrate with peers in the host country by learning and playing together.

In an effort to integrate Ukrainian and Polish youth, KIK organizes summer and winter Ukrainian-Polish camps for children <18 years old (nationality ratio 80/20 respectively).

The events are run by mixed Ukrainian-Polish staff trained in another KIK program - the “Mountains of Leadership”.

Activities are aimed at getting to know each other and building relationships, teaching teamwork and co-responsibility for the group, as well as self-reliance and perseverance.

Average cost: \$300 per one person / one week



Photo: KIK Warszawa

Re: 3. Building leadership:

A robust pipeline of future leaders will be necessary to rebuild Ukraine and cooperate with neighbors.

“Mountains of Leadership” is a program aimed at young leaders from Poland and Ukraine aged 18 to 26. Its objective is to build capable teams of youth counselors able to run integration camps for children and youth from Poland and Ukraine.

Cost : \$1,000 per one person

Together with **Play for Peace** (a Chicago based initiative) we run a club in Warsaw where local youth leaders are trained to conduct games and play-sessions that can be used in communities marked by exclusion, mistrust, trauma or diversity.

Our partner - Play for Peace has been driving personal and community power-building and positive change in high-violence environments for over 25 years, supporting active peace builders at the local level.



Impact:

Since the start of the war, KIK's multiple activities have positively impacted lives of almost 3,000 Ukrainian children and widows



Children attending
school: **270**



Future Leaders
trained: **30**



Youth in Integration
camps: **600**



Children in Summer
in the city: **1'120**



People in art
workshops: **326**



Orphans in therapeutic
holidays: **250**



People evacuated
from war zones: **750**



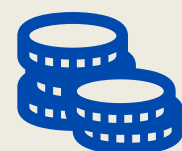
3rd country nationals
hosted: **700**



Tons of humanitarian
aid sent: **500**



Volunteers engaged: **700**



Money raised: **\$3.5m**



Private donors: **1000**

Who we are

Our partners and main sponsors

- Founded in 1956 as a **catholic lay association** independent from Church and catholic clergy, KIK gathers people who identify with Christian values, dedicated to building solidarity and promoting freedom and human rights. Initiatives include humanitarian aid, education, social support, and development of civic society in Eastern Europe. KIK as an NGO does not engage in any kind of political agitation.
- KIK for Ukraine offers long-term support for Ukrainian refugee children and youth, both in Ukraine and those who fled to Poland. Our aim is to strengthen social cohesion and integration of Ukrainian refugees with the Polish host community by fostering leadership, friendship, and cooperation between young people from both countries.



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