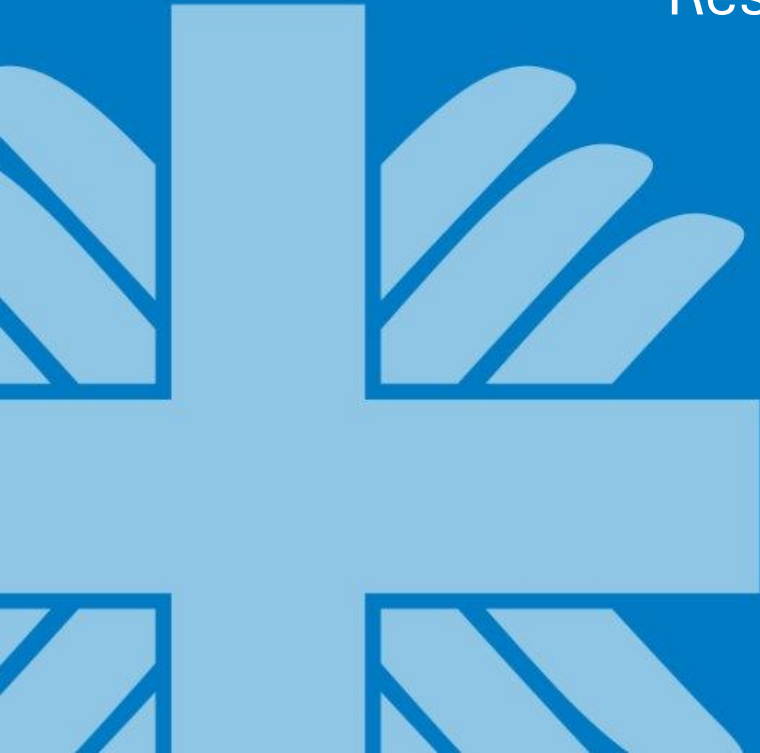


Caritas Ukraine WASH Program

Restoring access to clean drinking water in
communities affected by the war



Water as weapon: a war against life

Russia is deliberately attacking water infrastructure. After the destruction of the Kakhovka Hydroelectric Power Plant, hundreds of thousands of people were left without water.

Water utilities in **the Kharkiv, Dnipropetrovsk, Donetsk, and Zaporizhzhia regions have been destroyed.**

This is **a violation of international humanitarian law** — depriving people of water means depriving them of life. No community can survive without water — hospitals, schools, and farms cannot function.

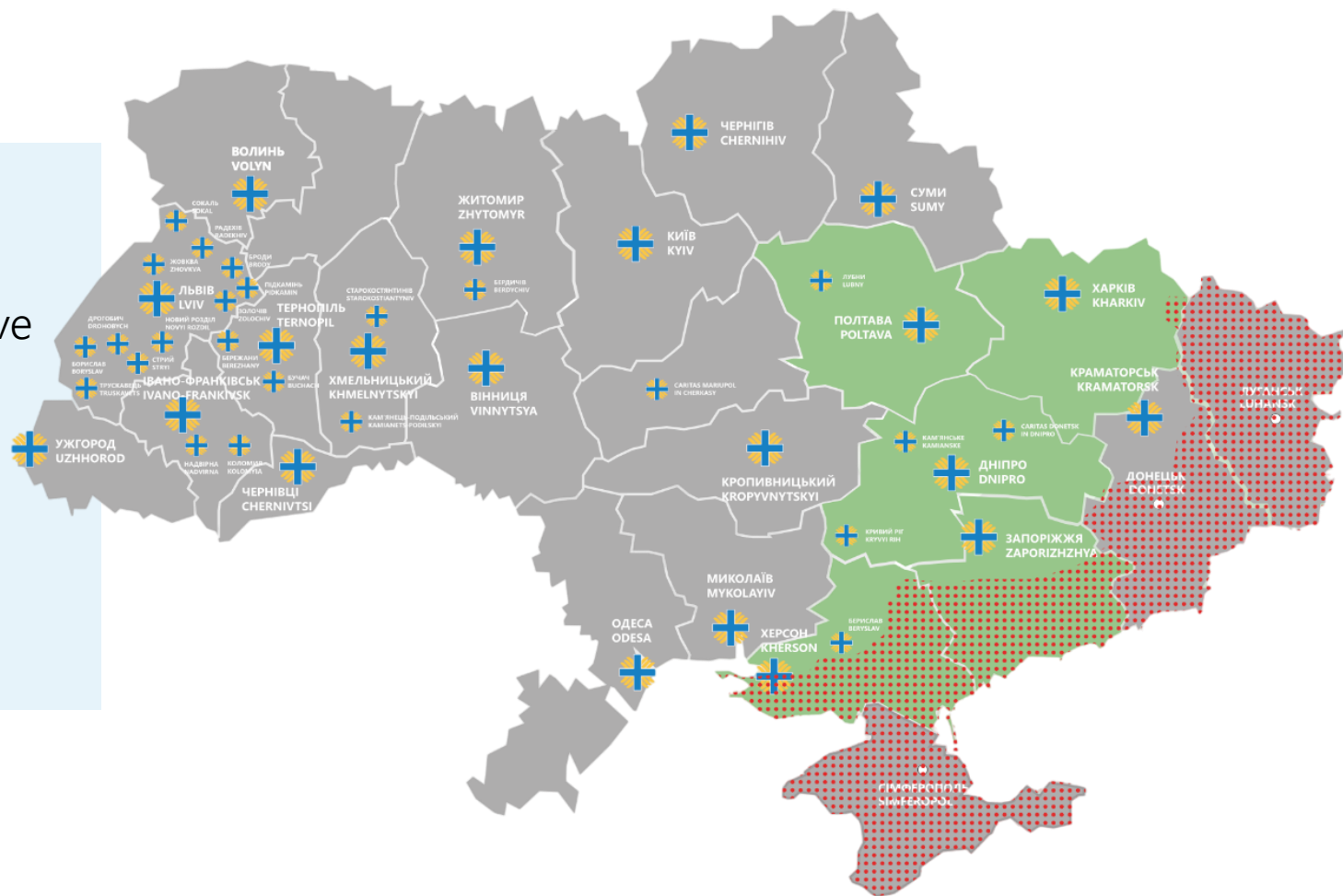


Where Caritas Works: Rebuilding Together with Communities

In communities affected by the war:

+ 38 wells and 18 public wells have been restored

+ 10 water towers, 10 pumping stations, 69 filtration stations, and 10 wastewater systems have been installed



Where Caritas Works: Rebuilding Together with Communities

In communities affected by the war:

+ **19 sanitary and hygiene areas** in socially important institutions and temporary housing sites have been repaired

+ **18 water supply facilities** have been equipped with alternative power sources (generators, solar panels)

Over 80,000 people received personal hygiene items through the distribution of hygiene kits or vouchers for their purchase

Result

In total, **during 2024–2025, more than 150,000 people** in frontline regions of Ukraine received support through WASH program infrastructure projects.

Partnership and trust — the foundation of results

Cordaid / Kingdom of the Netherlands:

- + The first water tower built after de-occupation (Kherson region).
- + Restoration of the Zelenodolsk water utility after the destruction of the Kakhovka Hydroelectric Power Plant.
- + 2024: **8 wells, 4 stations, 7 generators** — providing water for 5,000 people in Kharkiv region.
- + Projects in Donetsk region — ensuring stable water supply for frontline communities.



Partnership and trust — the foundation of results

Caritas Norway / Government of the Kingdom of Norway:

- + 2024–2025: **restoration of wells and filtration systems** in Kharkiv region.
- + **15,000 people** have regained access to water.
- + An investment in community capacity, not just humanitarian aid.



Partnership and trust — the foundation of results

Ukraine Humanitarian Fund:

- + **Restoration of sanitary and hygiene areas** in centers for internally displaced persons (IDPs), ensuring access to water, safe toilets, and showers.

Thanks to Caritas partners, access to water is literally “bringing life back” to communities



Restoration cannot wait

- + We are not waiting for the war to end — **we act now.**
- + Work continues even under shelling.
- + The key is **donor flexibility** and rapid response that saves lives.



WASH IN WAR — the human dimension

The **WASH in WAR** information campaign tells the stories of communities that endure and of those who bring water back to them.

+ The photo exhibition has already been presented in **Kyiv, Lviv, and Warsaw.**

Today, in Ukraine, water has also become a symbol of resilience



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