

Local NGO Community of Practice, Ukraine

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Collaborative Cash Delivery



Local NGO Community of Practice in Ukraine (LNGO CoP)

CCD and Right to Protection (R2P) have joined forces to create a Local Community of Practice for NGOs and Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) involved in Cash and Voucher Assistance (CVA) programming in Ukraine.

This group offers a safe space for discussing CVA, enhancing local CSO engagement, promoting collaboration, and strengthening capacities, with the goal of improving coordination, leadership, and advocacy efforts.

Curious about what we've accomplished so far? Read on to find out!

Kickoff Workshop: In April 2024 LNGO CoP held its first workshop, bringing together local NGOs, donors (FCDO), Cash Working Group (CWG) co-chairs, and the NGO Alliance. The workshop was an exciting opportunity to introduce the CoP and collaboratively prioritise key topics and themes for future discussions.

Taxation Workshop: In June 2024, a workshop co-facilitated by CCD and the CWG provided an opportunity for local LNGOs to raise concerns related to taxation and have their questions answered. CCD has developed a Problem Statement document on taxation, which is available in both English and Ukrainian.

Matchmaking Event: In July 2024 in Kyiv in partnership with the National Network of Local Philanthropy Development of Ukraine to feature the CVA panel discussion with the participation of 3 LNGOs from CoP.



Simon Edmunds/Save the Children

Linking Humanitarian Cash with Social Protection Workshop: in August 2024 we hosted an engaging in-person workshop with over 30 local NGO representatives, focusing on connecting humanitarian cash with social protection. The workshop introduced tools and analyses developed by CCD, while actively gathering valuable feedback from participants to enhance future efforts.

Resources:

[Building Blocks Manual](#)

[Ukraine CVA for Health Framework](#)

[ACAPS report on Vulnerabilities in Protection in Ukraine](#)

[Rapid MPCA Targeting Framework](#)

[GTS reports on Ukraine Response](#)



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Spotlight

Meet two of our LNGO CoP Partners!



Maryna Polyanska,
CVA manager at
SOS Children's
Villages.



Since 2022, as part of the emergency response program, SOS Children's Villages Ukraine has been providing the program of targeted financial assistance for rent.

The target group of this program is family-type children's homes (FTH), whose parents are IDPs. The territory of financial assistance is the entire territory of Ukraine, except for the temporarily occupied territories and territories of active hostilities.

The main challenges in this area that the team faced during implementation:

- Unregulated real estate market in Ukraine, lack of lease agreements between the applicant and the landlord, lack of title documents for the real estate object from the landlord, litigation over the leased object
- The high cost of renting housing for the FTH. On average, the cost of renting a premise in 2024 amounted to UAH 15 thousand, with the highest amount being UAH 22372.
- "Mobility" of the FTH, i.e., applicants can move out of the rented housing at any time, which requires monitoring efforts by the team (monitoring visits can be organised if in doubt).

Despite challenges, SOS Children's Villages will continue its rental assistance program in 2025, expanding the target group.



Oksana Drozdovska,
Communications and
Partnerships Manager
at the Unity for the
Future Charitable
Foundation.

Oksana presented the successful experience of localisation and cooperation with sub-grantee NGOs within the framework of the project "Comprehensive Assistance for Families with Children in Chernihiv, Sumy, and Kharkiv Regions" with the support of the Ukraine Humanitarian Fund (UHF).

She presented the experience of strengthening the capacity of the three partner organisations in Chernihiv, Sumy, and Kharkiv regions. During the war, Oksana noted, it is important to include measures aimed at taking care of the safety and mental health of the partner organisations' specialists within the framework of cooperation.

Oksana emphasised the importance of the institutional support provided by the Humanitarian Foundation for Ukraine. This is a valuable opportunity to strengthen the sustainability and development of organisations.

Oksana noted that the projects supported by UHF make it possible to provide important humanitarian assistance to the most vulnerable populations and at the same time develop the capacity of Ukrainian civil society and charitable organisations, which is important in the humanitarian response and recovery of Ukraine.