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Joint statement from the Canadian Medical Forum in condemnation of the unprovoked invasion of Ukraine

Members of the Canadian Medical Forum (CMF) are united in our condemnation of the unprovoked invasion of Ukraine. We stand in solidarity with the people of Ukraine, and in particular, healthcare workers and patients who are suffering unjustly. Collectively we thank the members of our organizations and all who are working to ensure the health and safety of the people in Ukraine. Patients, health care workers, and health care facilities must be protected.

We also support the people of Canada whose families and friends are impacted by the crisis in Ukraine. We believe that every person has the right to health, safety, security, and freedom from the threat of war. The Canadian Medical Forum joins the international call for a swift and peaceful resolution.

The CMF believes that anyone fleeing a war zone should be allowed to do so, regardless of their nationality.



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NOTE: See page 2 for list of ways individual Canadians can help the people of Ukraine.

Here's a few ways individual Canadians can help the people of Ukraine (Note - this is not a comprehensive list):

- The [Red Cross](#) states that it is providing support including “preparedness, immediate and ongoing relief efforts, long-term recovery, resiliency, and other critical humanitarian activities as needs arise, both in Ukraine and surrounding countries,” including to displaced populations.
- [Médecins sans frontières/Doctors without borders](#) is also seeking donations. It outlines its relief efforts on its website, where it states that it is mobilizing an “emergency preparedness response” and is focused on “distributing war-wounded kits to hospitals, providing telemedicine and obtaining essential staff and supplies.”
- [UNICEF](#) is also collecting donations. The organization said money donated will help support its ongoing programs and “response to the escalating need in Ukraine” and will help provide communities with safe water, medical and healthcare services, child protection and education.
- Donations are also being collected by [Save the Children](#). According to the organization’s website, money donated will help provide children and families with winter kits of warm clothing and blankets, psychosocial support and child-friendly spaces, education, water, sanitation and hygiene programs, cash transfers for food, medicine or other essentials and access to healthcare.
- [GlobalGiving](#) has also launched a Ukraine Crisis Relief Fund and is seeking donations for humanitarian relief. The fund has raised more than \$2.9 million dollars to date.
- The Canada-Ukraine Foundation and Ukrainian Canadian Congress have launched a joint appeal for monetary donations. According to the website, the organizations are seeking to collect \$5 million through the [Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal](#) to “provide humanitarian assistance to those in need in Ukraine to address any further aggression by Russia.” To date, a \$2,390,000 has been collected.
- The [United Nations Refugee Agency](#), the UNHCR is also seeking donations, saying “your support can help ensure that Ukrainians forced to flee their homes are sheltered and safe.”