MAPPING OF THE REGIONAL INTEGRATION POLICIES FOR IDPS
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List of Abbreviations
ATO anti-terrorist operation
GCA government-controlled area (includes any government-controlled area in Ukraine not limited to Luhansk or Donetsk regions)
IDP internally displaced person
JFO Joint Forces Operation
LSGA Local self-governing authority
NGCA non-government-controlled area
NGO non-governmental organisation
NRC Norwegian Refugee Council
RSA regional state administration
UAH Ukrainian hryvnia
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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides a mapping of the regional IDP integration policies in all 24 regions of Ukraine as of February 2021. The purpose of the mapping exercise was to systematize the information about the existence, scope and budgeting of the IDP integration policies at the regional level, to determine the main gaps and deficiencies in the regional approaches and to provide evidence-based recommendations to the national and regional authorities, international and local organisations.

According to the findings of our mapping exercise, in most cases, regional integration programmes for IDPs are developed by the Regional State Administration (RSAs) and referred to the regional councils for approval.

The local self-governing authorities (LSGAs) and RSAs generally select different approaches to develop policies regarding IDP integration:

- Special (separate) integration programmes (as complex policies addressing different aspects of IDP integration)
- Programmes and activities in specific thematic areas (such as policies focusing on access to housing, assistance in employment, social security etc.)
- Local-level IDP integration programmes and activities (instead of or in addition to the regional policies).

Certain responses from the RSAs and LSGAs demonstrated a complex and holistic vision of the IDP integration issues. Meanwhile, some regions only have one-off or fragmentary activities, such as free meals or gifts for internally displaced children, which are mostly linked to the social protection of the vulnerable population instead of being policies with long-lasting impact on IDP integration.

In 2020, special integration programmes were approved only in two regions – Donetsk (where the programme was sufficiently funded) and Ternopil (without funding). Previously, similar programmes existed in Dnipropetrovsk and Luhansk regions.

As of early March 2021, there are no regions with active special integration programmes for IDPs in place, while the integration activities, where they exist, are mostly limited to individual benefits and social protection measures. The main reasons for that include the lack of the comprehensive understanding of the IDP integration issues and the absence of the nation-wide IDP integration policy. Thus, the LSGAs and RSAs are mostly waiting for the National Strategy on IDP Integration and Durable Solutions to be adopted for the new period (as the previous ones expired in December 2020) to use it as a basis and a reference point.
2. INTRODUCTION

As of March 2021, 1.4 million internally displaced people (hereinafter – IDPs) were officially registered in Ukraine; they had been forced to leave their homes in Donetsk and Luhansk regions and Crimea. However, the official statistics do not reflect the real numbers of IDPs permanently residing in the government-controlled area (hereinafter – GCA) because IDP registration is a prerequisite for the residents of the non-government-controlled areas (hereinafter – NGCA) to access administrative, social services, pensions and social payments. According to the UN, there are approximately 745,000 IDPs permanently residing in GCA. For hundreds of thousands of IDPs in Ukraine, internal displacement is a protracted matter, as they have not found any durable solutions for themselves. First of all, accurate data about the numbers, locations, needs, intentions, and challenges IDPs face is needed as a basis for the national, regional, and local policies. Secondly, there should be a more structured and systemic approach to developing and monitoring the IDP integration policies.

The National Strategy for Human Rights adopted in March 2021 defines IDP integration as one of the strategic goals. Hence, this strategy envisages adopting a national policy for IDP integration, which complies with the UN Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement, Council of Europe standards concerning IDPs’ rights, freedoms and legitimate interests and other framework human rights’ documents.

In 2017, Ukraine adopted the National Strategy on IDP Integration and Durable Solutions until 2020, along with an Action Plan. These documents expired in December 2020. As of April 2021, no Strategy or Action Plan has been adopted for the new term. Having such national documents in place is an important prerequisite to defining the main policy priorities related to internal displacement, coordination of the national authorities, and assigning responsible bodies to implement each action. Finally, the nationwide Strategy and Action Plan are important reference points for the regional and local authorities.

IDP integration is mainly happening at the local community level. After displacement, IDPs look for a community to become their new «home». They want to find a job in this new community to get a decent standard of living. IDPs build new social ties in the new community and start engaging in its cultural and political processes. IDPs also receive all kinds of services (social, administrative, medical, educational and other) in the new community. It is more realistic to collect localised data on IDPs’ specific needs at the community level and then, based on that data, engage IDPs and host communities in the process of designing durable solutions. Each region and community have their peculiarities, so it seems impossible to find a universal approach. This is why it is so important to develop integration strategies, action plans and programmes at regional and local levels, in addition to the broader national policies.

This mapping exercise systematises the information on regional and local policies in the area of IDP integration. It demonstrates different approaches and outlines the experience of the regional authorities and local self-governing bodies. Its results can be used for further research, advocacy and introduction of a more structured and systemic approach to designing and implementing the IDP integration policies.

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1 Based on the data of the Ministry of Social Policy. [https://www.msp.gov.ua/timeline/Vnutrishno-peremishcheni-osobi.html](https://www.msp.gov.ua/timeline/Vnutrishno-peremishcheni-osobi.html)
3. METHODOLOGY

The purpose of the mapping exercise is to analyse regional integration programmes/strategies for IDPs or, if no such programmes are available – other activities aimed at integrating IDPs into host communities within the frameworks of existing programmes, mainly concerning employment, social protection and housing.

The study consisted of the following stages:

1. December 2020 – analysis of the above-mentioned programmes published on the official websites of LSGAs (regional councils) and RSAs that were in effect in 2020
2. January 2021 – preparing and sending inquiries to access public information on integration programmes/activities for 2021 and their funding in each region
3. February 2021 – analysis of responses received from LSGAs and RSAs

The list of questions sent to LSGAs and RSAs in our inquiries for access to public information is as follows:

1. Is there any IDP integration programme approved for 2021?
2. Are there any developments of the IDPs integration programme for 2021?
3. Are there any other legal instruments regarding IDP integration or other programmes that include, among other things, activities aimed at IDP integration, which are in effect in 2021?
4. Does the local budget for 2021 include any funds for implementing programmes and activities related to IDP integration?

During the second stage (sending inquiries to get access to public information), 23 inquiries were sent; however, more responses were received and analysed. Some regions referred our inquiries to other public data owners to obtain a complex response due to authorities’ specifics and powers.

The primary analysis of the regional integration programmes/strategies/activities for IDP integration focused on the policies, which were in effect in 2020. However, the purpose of this report is to highlight only those regional IDP integration programmes or activities which are acting in 2021.

The local integration programmes (i.e. at the level of a specific settlement rather than a whole region) are not within the subject scope of the mapping exercise. They are mentioned in this report only when direct references to such programmes were provided by the responses of the regional authorities.
4. ANALYSIS OF INTEGRATION PROGRAMMES AND ACTIVITIES FOR IDPS

Vinnytsia region

Summary: There is no approved IDP integration programme/strategy in Vinnytsia region, and no such programme is currently being developed. However, such activity is provided in the Complex Target Social Protection Programme with funds allocation, as analysed below.

As of October 2020
are registered in region

11,400 IDPs

There is also the Complex Regional Programme of Preferential Long-Term Loans for Citizens in Need of Housing Improvements in Vinnytsia region for 2018–2022; yet, the text does not explicitly specify that IDPs may be eligible for the programme. Meanwhile, the provisions only appeal to age restriction (35 years old and younger), enrolment of persons in need of housing improvements, and residency in Vinnytsia region (which may be confirmed by an IDP certificate), all of which does not prevent IDPs from participating.

Some standards aim to provide support to IDPs, particularly rehabilitation and recreation of children registered as IDPs under the Regional Targeted Programme for Rehabilitation and Recreation of Children and Development of Childcare Facilities.

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<td>Complex Target Social Protection Programme for the population of Vinnytsia region for 2019–2021</td>
<td>Provision of integration, social adaptation, information and protection of IDPs</td>
<td>Regional and city budget, amalgamated territorial community budgets, non-budget funding</td>
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<td>2021 – UAH 300,000</td>
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<td>Vlasnyi Dim (Own Housing) Regional Complex Programme of Housing Construction in Vinnytsia Region for 2017–2021</td>
<td>IDPs are eligible for this programme, but they do not enjoy preferential rights</td>
<td>In 2021, UAH 18,000,000 have been assigned for the programme. This amount of funds applies to all eligible participants (not just IDPs)</td>
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<td>PReregional Target Programme for Construction (Purchase) of Affordable Housing in Vinnytsia region for 2021</td>
<td>IDPs are eligible</td>
<td>In 2021, UAH 18,000,000 have been assigned for the programme, covering all eligible participants (not just IDPs)</td>
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3 For the complete list of regional programmes, please go to: https://vinrada.gov.ua/perelik_dovgostrokovih_program.htm
5 https://vinrada.gov.ua/upload/files/7sklikannya/41Ses/890.pdf
6 https://vinrada.gov.ua/upload/files/7sklikannya/37Ses/750.pdf
7 https://vinrada.gov.ua/upload/files/7sklikannya/45Ses/978(1).pdf
Volyn region\(^8\)

**Summary:** There is no approved or developed IDP integration programme in Volyn region. Some provisions regarding IDPs support are approved within other programmes analysed below. Several top priority activities, including housing, have a definite complex effect upon the integration process without limitation. Meanwhile, one-time financial assistance for IDPs fails to significantly affect the integration in local communities compared to a more complex measure of ensuring IDP employment. Accordingly, the regional population employment programme that provided for several activities benefiting IDPs expired in 2020, while a new programme is not yet available (based on public data).

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<td>Regional Target Social Protection Programme for 2019–2022(^9)</td>
<td>Social protection and financial aid for IDPs in the form of one-time monetary assistance to improve housing and living conditions</td>
<td>The approximate amount of funding for this activity is UAH 300,000(^10)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Social and Economic Programme to Provide Young People with Housing in Volyn Region for 2019–2023(^11)</td>
<td>No special conditions are provided for IDPs; however, they are eligible for participation on general terms</td>
<td>The total funding for the programme is UAH 26.5 million, which covers all programme participants (not just IDPs)</td>
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Dnipropetrovsk region\(^12\)

**Summary:** During the period between 2014 and 2016, there were regional programmes in Dnipropetrovsk region that included the provision of «social support to citizens displaced to Dnipropetrovsk region from temporarily occupied Ukraine territories and ATO area», as well as the creation of jobs for them. In 2014, this programme was unique for Ukraine.

As of October 2020 are registered in region 3,089 IDPs

As of October 2020 are registered in region 71,713 IDPs

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8 For the complete list of regional programmes, please go to: [http://volynrada.gov.ua/programs](http://volynrada.gov.ua/programs)
9 [http://volynrada.gov.ua/session/22/3-0](http://volynrada.gov.ua/session/22/3-0)
10 Based on the response to our request for public information, regional budget for 2021 has not been approved, so funding amounts are tentative
11 [http://volynrada.gov.ua/session/25/5-1](http://volynrada.gov.ua/session/25/5-1)
12 For the complete list of regional programmes, please go to: [https://oblrada.dp.gov.ua/region-programmes/](https://oblrada.dp.gov.ua/region-programmes/)
The Dnipropetrovsk Regional Council stated that as of 2021, no IDP integration programmes or other measures aimed at social adaptation or empowerment of IDPs are in place or under development.

The council response also contains a reference to the Complex Social Protection Programme for the population of Dnipropetrovsk region for 2020–2024 to provide monthly target assistance. It should be noted that monthly targeted assistance is an important form of IDP support, especially at the initial stages of their displacement. However, it is a temporary (unsustainable) solution and only indirectly affects IDP integration due to small monetary aid amounts.

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<td>Regional Social Target Programme «Youth of Dnipropetrovsk Region» for 2012–2021¹³</td>
<td>Support for internally displaced young people</td>
<td>The total amount of funding for the whole programme for the year 2021 is UAH 450,000. Hence, It does not cover only the support of youth within IDPs</td>
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<td>Regional Inter-Sectoral Programme of Financial Support for Public Utility Companies (Institutions), Co-Owned by Territorial Communities of Villages, Settlements and Cities of Dnipropetrovsk Region for 2013–2023¹⁴</td>
<td>Purposes and main tasks of the Programme include recovery of housing and utility service costs as well as costs of temporary residence of IDPs</td>
<td>Annex 3 to the Programme contains no data to establish sources and funding for the Programme activity.</td>
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<td>Employment Programme for the Population of Dnipropetrovsk Region for the years 2012–2022¹⁵</td>
<td>Compensation of actual first-year expenses of employers (in small businesses and top priority types of economic activity) in the amount of Unified Social Tax in case of two-year IDP employment</td>
<td>In 2021, the activity’s funding amounts to UAH 6,417,600; however, the activity also covers other population categories and not exclusively IDPs</td>
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**Donetsk region**

Summary: Donetsk region is the only region where regional programmes of integration, social adaptation and protection of IDPs have been in effect since 2015. The latest expired at the end of 2020. It was all-embracing as it stipulated coordination and joined efforts of national and local self-governing authorities, non-governmental organisations to secure social protection, information, employment, housing, education of children, health care services, legal aid etc. Moreover, the programme had funding for the total amount of UAH 2,187,538,400.

¹³ [http://surlis/rzp](http://surlis/rzp)
¹⁴ [http://surlis/rzp](http://surlis/rzp)
¹⁵ [https://obirada.dp.gov.ua/rishennia/skilkannja-7/xii-sesija/%e2%84%96-351-13v%ed1%96-22-06-2018%ed1%80/](https://obirada.dp.gov.ua/rishennia/skilkannja-7/xii-sesija/%e2%84%96-351-13v%ed1%96-22-06-2018%ed1%80/)
The Donetsk Regional State Administration also stated the Action Plan’s implementation for the Strategy of IDP Integration and Durable Solutions for the period till 2020.

Donetsk RSA noted they were waiting for adopting the new Strategy of IDP Integration and Durable Solutions to participate in the development of activities and use the National Strategy as a reference point to develop the Regional Programme of IDP Support and Integration for 2021–2023.

### Zhytomyr region

**Summary:** No IDP integration programme is available in Zhytomyr region. Meanwhile, Zhytomyr RSA mentioned ten local social support programmes for IDPs (at city and village level).

It was also noted that the Regional Complex Programme of Social Protection for Persons with Disabilities, War and Labour Veterans, Retirees, Liberation Campaign Participants and Veterans and Vulnerable Population of Zhytomyr region for 2018–2022 covered IDPs as well. IDPs have the right to one-time financial aid within this programme (UAH 2.1 million were assigned for this activity in 2021). This measure is an important form of IDP support at early displacement stages but is not sufficient given the integration process’s complexity.

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<td>Zhytomyr Region Development Strategy for the period till 2027</td>
<td>Facilitation of professional adaptation and personal fulfilment of IDPs</td>
<td>The strategy does not provide for any funding, only defining general focus areas for development</td>
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16 For the complete list of regional programmes, please go to: [http://surl.li/rqbm](http://surl.li/rqbm)

Zakarpattia region

Summary: Zakarpattia region is an example of an integrated approach towards regional IDP integration policies.

Turbota (Care) Regional Programme stipulates social protection for IDPs and other measures aimed at IDP adaptation and integration. There is also a housing programme in place in the region, covering IDPs. The programme of small and medium enterprise development in Zakarpattia region for the years 2021–2023 also applies to IDPs but provides no preferential treatment for them.

Zakarpattia RSA noted they are waiting for the adoption of the National Strategy of IDP Integration and Durable Solutions to participate in the development and enforcement of the activities and use the said Strategy as a reference point.

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<td>Complex Social and Economic Programme to Provide Youth, ATO Participants and IDPs with Housing in Zakarpattia region for 2018–2022</td>
<td>Financial support for IDPs to cover mandatory non-refundable down payments</td>
<td>The programme only contains a reference to all programme participants’ general funding, so it is impossible to calculate the exact portion of funds assigned for IDPs. In 2020, the funding amounted to UAH 6.2 million; however, it was redistributed for other purposes, including the Covid-19 epidemiological response</td>
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<td>“Turbota (Care)” Regional Programme to Improve Social Protection of Citizens for 2019–2021</td>
<td>Hosting events for IDPs (seminars, training sessions etc.) to facilitate their adaptation and integration in local communities, raising awareness regarding their legal rights etc.</td>
<td>In 2021, the regional budget stipulated UAH 50,000 for the given activity</td>
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<td>Zakarpattia Region Social and Economic Development Programme for 2021 ¹¹...............</td>
<td>Housing improvements for IDPs</td>
<td>Not available</td>
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As of October 2020 are registered in region 3,365 IDPs
Zaporizhzhia region

Summary: The Zaporizhzhia Regional Council noted that IDPs’ activities are stipulated in the Complex Regional Programme of Rehabilitation and Recreation of Children, Family and Gender Policy and Human Trafficking Counteraction for 2017–2021 through the recreation and rehabilitation of children registered as IDPs.

As of October 2020 are registered in region

56,379 IDPs

However, a similar activity applying to IDPs regardless of age is included in the Action Plan for 2021–2023 concerning enforcement of the Strategy of Zaporizhzhia Region Regional Development for the period 202720 (provision of recreation and rehabilitation services).

The policy data are aimed at improved social protection of IDPs which also facilitates their integration. Yet, these measures are not complex enough because of the difficulty of the integration process.

It should be noted that there was the Programme of the Zaporizhzhia Region Population Employment in effect in 2019–2020, stipulating several integration activities for IDPs.21

The Zaporizhzhia RSA stated about IDPs integration activities within acting 14 programmes, adopted at a local level by different ATCs. These actions are prescribed in programmes of social protection and support of the population, temporary housing and medical care.

Ivano-Frankivsk region

Summary: The Ivano-Frankivsk Regional Council noted about lack of programmes for IDP integration for 2021. Meanwhile, IDPs’ integration measures are mentioned in the Regional Complex Programme of Social Protection of Ivano-Frankivsk Region Population for 2017–2021, as analysed below.

As of October 2020 are registered in region

3,838 IDPs

19 Survey limitations – regional council and RSA websites contained no separate section on all programmes, which may affect the results of our survey in this part. Programme search was conducted individually across the spheres directly related to integration.


22 For the complete list of regional programmes, please go to: http://surl.li/rpzl
However, three more programmes that could affect IDP integration in host communities were defined during the mapping exercise, as analysed below.

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<td><strong>Regional Complex Social Protection Programme for the population of Ivano-Frankivs</strong> <em>23</em>&lt;sup&gt;23&lt;/sup&gt;</td>
<td>To improve social protection of IDPs and their integration in the host community, it is planned to create a register of real estate assets (construction in progress, abandoned residential houses, liquidated military and cottage camps) and their lease or transfer of ownership to IDP families, as well as assistance in finding jobs, and assigning land plots for permanent housing construction</td>
<td>Within budgetary allocation limits (no details available)</td>
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<td>The organisation of training in advanced language proficiency skills for various age groups, funded by regional budget costs for the period between 2017 and 2021, was set as a top priority task that will facilitate IDPs' social and cultural integration</td>
<td>The state budget funding for language courses (2017–2021) is planned for UAH 20,000 per year</td>
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<td>Assistance in finding jobs for internally displaced persons by recovering employers’ labour costs and Unified Social Tax</td>
<td>Within cost sheet allocation limits (no details available)</td>
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<td>Coverage of IDP family issues and ways to resolve them in the mass media</td>
<td>Funding is provided; however, the activity covers many other vulnerable population categories, which prevents accurate calculation of funds assigned for IDPs only</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Regional Target Programme for Development of Small and Medium Enterprises in Ivano-Frankivs Region for 2021</strong>&lt;sup&gt;24&lt;/sup&gt;</td>
<td>Promoting entrepreneurship among IDPs</td>
<td>Within budget allocation limits (no details available)</td>
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23 [http://surl.li/rpzo](http://surl.li/rpzo)
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<td>On Vlasnyi Dim (Own Housing) Regional Target Programme of Support of Individual Housing in Rural Areas and Housing Improvement for Rural Population for 2021–2025</td>
<td>Preferred loans for IDPs</td>
<td>The total funding for the whole duration of the programme amounts to UAH 74,329,000. (IDPs are just one of the eligible categories for the programme)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Youth of Prykarpattia Regional Social Target Programme for 2021–2025</td>
<td>Social support for IDPs young through informational and consulting measures</td>
<td>Within budget allocation limits (no details available)</td>
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**Kyiv region and city of Kyiv**

**Summary:** «Measures aimed at support, social adaptation and reintegration of Ukraine citizens displaced from temporarily occupied territories of Ukraine and the ATO zone for the period till 2020» have been in effect in Kyiv for three years. As stated in the Kyiv City State Administration response, no new programme for IDP integration was developed in 2021 «as IDPs, registered in the city of Kyiv, acquire the same rights to all benefits as Kyiv residents have.»

As of October 2020, 65,022 IDPs are registered in Kyiv region.

As of October 2020, 162,695 IDPs are registered in the city of Kyiv.

The Kyiv City State Administration noted they are waiting for adopting the new Strategy of IDP Integration and Durable Solutions to participate in the development of enforcement activities and use the said Strategy as a reference point.

There are also programmes containing integration activities for IDPs effective in Kyiv region.

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25 [https://orada.if.ua/decision/36-2-2020/](https://orada.if.ua/decision/36-2-2020/)
26 [https://orada.if.ua/decision/38-2-2020/](https://orada.if.ua/decision/38-2-2020/)
27 [https://dsp.kyivcity.gov.ua/content/krymchanam.html?PrintVersion](https://dsp.kyivcity.gov.ua/content/krymchanam.html?PrintVersion)
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<td>Youth of Kyiv Region Complex Support and Development Programme for 2015–2021⁴⁸</td>
<td>Priority 7. Partner support for young IDPs – measures aimed at their social establishment and social and psychological adaptation</td>
<td>No funding is provided for this activity in 2021. Regional budget funding for the programme was provided only in 2019 in the amount of UAH 100,000</td>
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<td>Programmes of Construction (Purchase) of Affordable Housing in Kyiv Region for 2019–2023²⁹</td>
<td>50% governmental funding for affordable housing</td>
<td>Total funding in 2021 – UAH 71,429 (not limited to IDPs only)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Vlasnyi Dim (Own Housing) Kyiv Regional Programme of Individual Housing Construction in Rural Areas for 2019–2023³⁰</td>
<td>IDPs are eligible for this programme on equal terms with other eligible population categories</td>
<td>Total funding in 2021 – UAH 3,810,000 (not limited to IDPs only)</td>
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**Kirovohrad region³¹**

**Summary:** Kirovohrad RSA stated that no individual IDP integration programmes are in place within the region.

Kirovohrad RSA noted they are waiting for adopting the new Strategy of IDP Integration and Durable Solutions to participate in the development and enforcement of the activities and use the said Strategy as a reference point.

As of October 2020 are registered in region 6,546 IDPs

Kirovohrad RSA mentioned there are no funds in the budget for 2021 assigned for programmes and/or measures related to IDP integration.

However, several funded programmes facilitating IDP integration were detected during the primary mapping exercise, as IDP integration stipulates social protection measures but is not limited to it.

It should be noted that there were also integration measures for IDPs in Kirovohrad region before 2020 as part of the regional population employment programme and Youth of Kirovohrad Regional Social Target Programme for 2016–2020. No effective programmes in this sphere are mentioned on the official website.

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³¹ For the complete list of regional programmes, please go to: [https://oblrada.kr.ua/diyuchi-oblasni-programi](https://oblrada.kr.ua/diyuchi-oblasni-programi)
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<td>On Kirovohrad Region Social and Economic Development Programme for 2021</td>
<td>Provision of social and/or psychological support to IDPs, organisation of assistance for them considering their defined needs</td>
<td>Within the respective budget assignments (no details available)</td>
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<td>Vlasnyi Dim (Own Housing) Regional Programme of Support for Individual Housing Construction in Rural Areas for 2021–2025</td>
<td>IDPs are eligible to participate on equal terms with other participants (no preferential treatment)</td>
<td>The total funding for the programme amounts to UAH 34,150,000 (not limited to IDPs only)</td>
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<td>Regional Programme to Provide Young People with Housing for 2018–2022</td>
<td>IDPs aged 35 or younger are eligible</td>
<td>Funds assigned from the stage, regional and district budgets, local self-governing authority budgets and other sources for implementation of the programme amount to UAH 44,623,000 thousand for five years (not limited to IDPs only but covering all programme participants)</td>
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<td>On the Programme of Small and Medium Enterprise Development in Kirovohrad region for 2019–2021</td>
<td>Engaging IDPs in entrepreneurship through their financial support</td>
<td>Within budget allocation limits (no details available)</td>
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### Luhans region

**Summary:** As of October 2020, 281,698 IDPs are registered in Luhans region. Luhans region remains the second-largest region by the number of officially registered IDPs. It should be noted that the Regional Target Programme of Support and Adaptation of IDPs in Luhans region was in effect here in 2017–2018.

Provisions concerning IDPs integration were included in the regional population employment programme, which expired in 2020. No new programme is available so far.

Luhansk RSA noted they were waiting for adopting the new Strategy of IDP Integration and Durable Solutions to participate in the development and enforcement of the activities and use the said Strategy as a reference point.

**As of October 2020 are registered in region 281,698 IDPs**

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### Regional Target Programme of Housing Loans for IDPs and Their Family Members for 2019–2021

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<td>Regional Target Programme of Housing Loans for IDPs and Their Family Members for 2019–2021</td>
<td>Preferential long-term loans for IDPs for construction, reconstruction or purchase of housing</td>
<td>Regional budget – UAH 4.5 million</td>
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#### Lviv region

**Summary:** Lviv RSA stated there is no approved programme for IDP integration in Lviv region for 2021. No information on activities or budgeting is available. In December 2020, two regional programmes were adopted that contained integration activities.

**As of October 2020 11,193 IDPs are registered in region**

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<td>Complex Programme of Housing Loans for Certain Categories of Lviv Region Citizens for 2021–2025</td>
<td>Preferential long-term loans for individual real estate developers in rural areas (preferably IDPs). The programme also stipulates provision of housing to young people (IDPs are eligible on equal terms with other population categories)</td>
<td>The total funding for the Vlasnyi Dim Programme amounts to UAH 2,685,000 in 2021 The total funding for housing to be provided to young people amounts to UAH 1,315,000 in 2021</td>
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37 For the complete list of regional programmes, please go to: [https://lvivoblada.gov.ua/plenary-sessions/proekti-rishen-viii/arhiv-proekti-rishen-viii-sklikannya](https://lvivoblada.gov.ua/plenary-sessions/proekti-rishen-viii/arhiv-proekti-rishen-viii-sklikannya)
Mykolaiv region\textsuperscript{38}

\textbf{Summary:} No individual programme of IDP integration was approved for 2021. These issues are included in the effective regional programmes concerning housing solutions, employment and social protection.

As of early March 2021, Mykolaiv region remains practically the only region where regional programmes have been approved for 2021 and published. Integration measures are mostly aimed at the solution of housing and employment issues.

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<td>Mykolaiv Region Small and Medium Enterprise Development Programme for 2021–2023\textsuperscript{39}</td>
<td>One-time unemployment relief to unemployed IDPs to start-up business</td>
<td>No funding is stipulated for this activity</td>
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<td>Employment Programme for the Population of Mykolaiv Region for the period till 2023\textsuperscript{40}</td>
<td>Issuance of vouchers for advanced training, competence training and career enhancement for IDPs, assistance to IDPs in starting up their businesses by providing one-time unemployment benefit for starting an entrepreneurial activity, recovery of labour costs for employers who hire unemployed IDPs</td>
<td>The Action Plan and the Passport of the Programme do not provide detailed information on funding; Mykolaiv RSA stated that the programme funds are assigned from available budget funding.</td>
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<td>Vlasnyi Dim Regional Target Programme of Support of Individual Housing in Rural Areas and Housing Improvement for Rural Population 2018–2023</td>
<td>IDPs have a priority right to housing loans</td>
<td>The reference amount is UAH 38,850,000 for six years, covering all possible programme participants, so it is impossible to calculate the exact amount of funding for IDPs only</td>
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<td>Turbota (Care) Complex Social Protection Programme for the period till 2023\textsuperscript{41}</td>
<td>Provision of one-time aid to start up or develop existing business on a competitive basis</td>
<td>Within financial resource limits (no details available)\textsuperscript{42}</td>
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<td>Housing Complex Social and Economic Programme in Mykolaiv Region for 2018–2022</td>
<td>50% governmental funding of affordable housing for IDPs</td>
<td>Reference budgeting is laid out in Annex 1 to the Programme; however, it covers all potential participants, so it is impossible to calculate the exact amount assigned for IDPs</td>
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<tr>
<td>Youth Support and Development Programme in Mykolaiv Region for 2021–2023</td>
<td>Facilitating social adaptation of young IDPs</td>
<td>Within available financial resource (no details concerning measures and passport, as specified in response to our request for public information)</td>
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43 [https://www.mk-obkada.gov.ua/UserFiles/decree/15185197665a82c5d68f690.pdf](https://www.mk-obkada.gov.ua/UserFiles/decree/15185197665a82c5d68f690.pdf)
Odesa region

Summary: No actual or draft IDP integration programme is approved in Odesa region. There is a regional programme in the region regarding housing for IDPs, as analysed below.

As of October 2020, 38,348 IDPs are registered in the region.

It should be noted that the availability of a separate housing programme is a very positive development in terms of IDP integration. During 2019–2020, the Population Employment Programme was in effect in Odesa region, the expected outcomes of which included adaptation to labour market conditions and professional integration of IDPs in the host community. Unfortunately, no funding was provided for the programme activities.

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<td>Odesa Region Social, Economic and Cultural Development Programme for 2021</td>
<td>Top priority focus areas in the social sphere, including, but not limited to: high-quality and timely services to IDPs</td>
<td>The official website that mentions the programme provides no information on funding for the programme activities</td>
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<tr>
<td>Housing programmes for IDPs, ATO and/or JFO (Joined Forces Operation) participants in Odesa Region for 2020–2024</td>
<td>Preferential long-term housing loans (construction or purchase)</td>
<td>Total funding – UAH 111,140,000 for the whole duration of the programme (4 years). The funding covers all participants, so the exact amount assigned for IDPs cannot be calculated</td>
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45 For the complete list of regional programmes, please go to: http://oblrada.odessa.gov.ua/odeska-oblasti/strategichni-ta-programni-dokumenty-oblasti/pereliitwozdyh-regionalnyh-tsiyovh-ta-kompleksnyh-program-odeskoiy-oblasti/
Poltava region

**Summary:** No IDP integration programme is available in Poltava region. However, activities facilitating IDP integration are presented in some effective regional programmes, as analysed below.

As of October 2020 are registered in region 22,647 IDPs

In its response to our request for public information, Poltava RSA included data on monthly targeted financial aid for IDPs and one-time financial aid under the Complex Social Protection Programme for the population of Poltava region for 2021–2025, which is an important measure of social protection but not a complex integration solution. Also, Poltava RSA mentioned access to health care services for IDPs, adaptation and modification of the programme for children with special educational needs, particularly children registered as IDPs.

There was a regional population employment programme in Poltava region in 2018–2020 which stipulated IDPs activities that could facilitate their integration. Currently, there is no such or similar programme for 2021 in the region.

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<td>Action Plan to enforce the Poltava Region Development Strategy for 2021–2023(^{48})</td>
<td>Meeting IDPs’ social needs and reaching a mutual understanding with the local population, reducing social tension, securing accessibility of social services regardless of the place of residence</td>
<td>UAH 55 million for 2021–2023(^{49})</td>
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<tr>
<td>Vlasnyi Dim Housing Construction Regional Target Programme for 2017–2021(^{50})</td>
<td>Preferential loans to IDPs are approved under the programme</td>
<td>Expected funding for the programme – UAH 88,400,000 (this amount covers five years of programme activities and all eligible participants, i.e. not just IDPs)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Complex Social Protection Programme for the population of Poltava Region for 2021–2025(^{51})</td>
<td>One-time financial aid to IDPs to resolve social and housing issues in the amount of up to UAH 5,000</td>
<td>The programme’s official website contains a general budget, but no funding details for the programme implementation are available</td>
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49 The data are taken from the draft of the program as it is the only information available.
50 [https://oblrada-pl.gov.ua/ses/7/13/349.pdf](https://oblrada-pl.gov.ua/ses/7/13/349.pdf)
**Rivne region**

**Summary:** No IDP integration programme is available in Rivne region. Rivne RSA stated that no activities or funding aimed at IDP integration are available. However, the RSA website contains information on effective programmes that include IDP integration, as analysed below.

### As of October 2020

3,034 IDPs registered in region

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| Rivne Region Development Strategy for the period till 2027 and Action Plan for 2021–2023 to enforce the Rivne Region Development Strategy for the period till 2027 | IDPs are defined as a vulnerable population category that requires additional social support, including but not limited to:  
1) Establishment of conditions to engage IDPs into active social life  
2) Living conditions improvement  
3) Rehabilitation and re-adaptation etc. | The Action Plan for 2021–2023 stipulates affordable housing for IDPs and ATO/JFO participants for the total amount of UAH 61,160,000. Please note that this funding covers all programme participants and not limited to IDPs |
| Employment Programme for the Population of Rivne Region for 2018–2022 | Compensation of labour expenses for employers who hire registered unemployed IDPs, assistance for IDPs in starting up and developing business | The official website provides no information on funding for the programme activities |
| Rivne Region Social and Economic Development Programme for 2021 | Establishing conditions for IDP engagement in active social life, including but not limited to their professional training  
Securing implementation of measures to provide health care and social services, adaptation and psychological rehabilitation of IDPs | The official website provides no information on funding for the programme activities |
| Youth Support Regional Programme for 2021–2023 | Reintegration of young IDPs | Regional budget:  
2021 – UAH 13,000  
2022 – UAH 14,600  
2023 – UAH 16,300 |

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52 For the complete list of regional programmes, please go to: [https://ror.gov.ua/diyuchi-oblasni-programi](https://ror.gov.ua/diyuchi-oblasni-programi)


56 [https://ror.gov.ua/ishennya-oblasnoyi-radi-8-sklikannya/940-pro-programu-pidtrimki-molodi-na-2021-2023-roki-1609409937](https://ror.gov.ua/ishennya-oblasnoyi-radi-8-sklikannya/940-pro-programu-pidtrimki-molodi-na-2021-2023-roki-1609409937)
**Sumy region**

**Summary:** No IDP integration programme is available in Sumy region. However, certain IDP integration activities are stipulated, among other things, in the effective Regional Complex Social Protection Programme for 2017–2021, but no funding is available for programme activities in 2021.

As of October 2020

are registered in region

11,259 IDPs

Several regional programmes included measures for IDP integration expired in 2020:

- Youth of Sumy Region Regional Target Programme for 2016–2020
- Employment Programme for the Population of Sumy Region for 2018–2020
- Sumy Region Small and Medium Enterprise Development Programme for 2017–2020

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<td>Regional Complex Social Protection Programme for 2017–2021</td>
<td>One of the IDP Social Support Programme sections is dedicated to improving the social adaptation level of IDPs. It is secured through additional social guarantees, health care and education services for IDPs, encouraging IDPs to start up their businesses, searching for housing solutions (through registration of housing funds that may be leased to IDPs), information strategy for IDPs to shape their values (to help them identify with Ukraine etc.)</td>
<td>Sumy RSA mentioned that no funding is available for 2021</td>
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58 For the complete list of regional programmes, please go to: [http://smgovua/uk/2012-02-03-08-03-13.html](http://smgovua/uk/2012-02-03-08-03-13.html)
Ternopil region

Summary: Ternopil region has no specific regional programmes of IDP integration in place for the year 2021 and no other programmes that include measures aimed at IDP integration. Accordingly, no funds were planned in the regional budget for 2021 to cover such programmes or activities.

As of October 2020 are registered in region 2,157 IDPs

Despite the absence of such programmes, it should be noted that there was the Programme of IDP Support effective in Ternopil region in 2019–2020. No budget funding was assigned; however, funds to cover the programme activities were available from other sources. The programme aims to resolve the issue of internal displacement of citizens of Ukraine and its consequences, as well as meet the critical and continuous needs of IDPs. The programme stipulated numerous integration activities for IDPs, including but not limited to:

- Secure the right to housing by gathering and analysing information on IDPs' housing needs, inventory count of housing funds, monitoring housing programmes, etc.
- Creation of new jobs on the labour market (providing information to IDPs to facilitate their participation in micro-lending programmes, employment in the agricultural and industrial sector, increasing the number of self-employed persons etc.)
- Support host communities in the process of IDP integration (free legal aid for IDPs, development and provision for the implementation of target or complex local programmes aimed at meeting the needs of IDPs detected during monitoring of their integration status etc.)
- Development of consulting mechanisms to engage IDPs in local executive authorities and local self-governing agencies' decision-making processes

The approach declared in the programme may serve as an example in defining the process of collecting data on the number of IDPs, their needs, and the capacity of host communities as prerequisites for finding long-term solutions.
Kharkiv region

Summary: No regional programme of IDP integration was approved or developed in Kharkiv region.

The Complex Social Protection Programme for the population of Kharkiv region for 2021–2025 does not mention IDPs among vulnerable population categories and provides no activities designed specifically for them.

As of October 2020 are registered in region 135,494 IDPs

However, it should be noted that the Kharkiv Region Economic and Social Development Programme for 2020 mentioned IDPs as a vulnerable category and specified the need to create housing and employment solutions for them. No similar programme has been approved for 2021 (no publications in that matter on the official website). Kharkiv Region Population Employment Programme for the period till 2020 also secured preferential treatment for IDPs in providing social services, additional social guarantees and assistance in finding jobs. The programme expired in 2020; no similar programme has been approved for the new year (no publications on the website). The programme facilitating small and medium enterprise development in Kharkiv region for 2016–2020 also supported IDPs in starting up their own business and was funded by international technical assistance initiatives in 2016–2018.

Kherson region

Summary: Kherson RSA stated that no separate IDP integration programme was approved in the region, and no such programme is currently under development. However, Kherson RSA mentioned several integration activities for IDPs – purchasing Christmas gifts for children registered as IDPs under the Regional Social Protection Programme for senior citizens and persons with disabilities, family support, securing gender equality and human trafficking counteraction for 2020–2024. This activity is a social measure but provides only an indirect effect upon IDP integration.

As of October 2020 are registered in region 14,559 IDPs

59 For the complete list of regional programmes, please go to: http://www.oblrada.kharkov.ua/ua/public-information/oblasni-programi
Name of Programme | List of Activities | Funding Sources
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Kherson Region Housing Construction Development Programme for 2019–2022 | It applies to IDPs but does not provide for any preferential treatment | Regional budget UAH 12 million; budgets of cities of regional status – UAH 8 million; other sources – UAH 20 million
On Regional Programme of Construction (Purchase) of Affordable Housing in Kherson Region for 2018–2022 | Preferential order for IDPs regarding the non-refundable financial aid for affordable housing at the expense of the local budget | UAH 16.5 million are assigned for the programme in 2021 (covering all eligible participants)

Khmelnytskyi region

Summary: No IDP integration programme is approved in Khmelnytskyi region for 2021. Khmelnytskyi RSA stated a small number of IDPs in the region and no areas of of compact settlement.

However, the region does have social protection measures in place, targeting IDPs, among other categories. Still, they are not complex integration policies (such as the Regional Programme of Rehabilitation and Recreation of Children for 2022).

As of October 2020 are registered in region 6,579 IDPs

Name of Programme | List of Activities | Funding Sources
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Regional Complex Social Protection Programme for 2021–2025 | This programme was listed among the effective programmes containing measures aimed at IDP integration, but the programme’s text is unavailable from public sources |
**Cherkasy region**

**Summary:** There is no approved IDP integration programme in Cherkasy region for 2021, and no such programme is currently under development. Besides, as of February 2021, no population employment programmes are in place in the region (which could potentially contain measures for IDP integration), nor there are housing solution programmes for IDPs.

The Cherkasy Region Development Strategy for 2021–2027 defines focus areas and goals and stipulates IDP integration among its strategic goals, yet for the moment it is declarative by its nature. The Cherkasy Region Development Strategy that expired in 2020 did not provide for IDP integration in host communities. The secured strategic goal’s effectiveness will be measured by assessment of the availability of activities for IDPs (employment, housing solutions) and their funding.

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<td>Cherkasy Region Development Strategy for 2021–2027</td>
<td>Integration of internally displaced people is stipulated as part of the activity to improve regional community cohesion and interaction</td>
<td>The Action Plan for the strategy is not published on the website. The strategy as a legal standard does not provide for separate budgeting</td>
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**Chernivtsi region**

**Summary:** No regional programme for IDP integration was approved in Chernivtsi region for 2021. No such programme is currently under development. The regional council stated that the local budget stipulates funds to cover IDP support in 2021 (but no further details were provided).

Based on the analysis of regional programmes, it should be noted that one of them (Turbota) prescribes the social adaptation of IDPs (as an element of integration in local communities). However, this measure is enforced by providing targeted assistance, which does facilitate IDPs’ social protection but is hardly an example of a complex integration policy.

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66 For the list of regional programmes, please go to: [https://www.oblradack.gov.ua/oblasn-programi](https://www.oblradack.gov.ua/oblasn-programi)

67 For the complete list of regional programmes, please go to: [http://obirada.cv.ua/document/regional_program/](http://obirada.cv.ua/document/regional_program/)
### Name of Programme | List of Activities | Funding Sources
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Complex Programme of Construction (Purchase) of Affordable Housing for 2018–2022 | IDPs are eligible for participation in this housing programme | The total amount of financial resources is UAH 44.9 million, including regional budget funds of UAH 22.4 million. However, it is impossible to calculate funding assigned for IDPs only

Turbota (Care) Complex Regional Programme of Social Support for Certain Citizen Categories for 2019–2021 | The programme’s general characteristics stipulate living condition improvements and social adaptation of IDPs in the Chernivtsi region; however, the only activity is providing targeted assistance | The targeted assistance amounts to UAH 32 million, but it covers the most vulnerable population categories, so it is impossible to calculate the exact funding assigned for IDPs only

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**Chernihiv region**

**Summary:** No regional programme for IDP integration is approved in Chernihiv region. No development of such programme/strategy is planned for 2021.

**As of October 2020 are registered in region** 7,334 IDPs

The Population Employment Programme in Chernihiv Region and Vlasnyi Dim Regional Programme expired in 2020, and no new programmes have been adopted. The Youth of Chernihiv Region Regional Programme for 2016–2020 provided activities to facilitate adaptation of young IDPs (including respective funding) and psychological rehabilitation of young people registered as IDPs.

IDPs’ current effective regional housing programme provides only general measures of raising awareness and providing legal aid to IDPs but do not create objective preconditions to resolve IDP housing.

Chernihiv RSA stated that no specific funding to cover IDP integration activities in the host communities is stipulated. However, Chernihiv RSA referred our request to all local self-governing authorities in the region to obtain more detailed information on local initiatives. Out of 57 local self-governing authorities, we received 33 responses. Five LSGAs mentioned certain social protection programmes for IDPs that would facilitate their integration, including the following:

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68 For the complete list of regional programmes, please go to: [http://cg.gov.ua/index.php?id=15239&tp=1](http://cg.gov.ua/index.php?id=15239&tp=1)
1) Monthly targeted assistance (Chernihiv City Council)
2) Free meals for children at educational institutions (Plyskiv Village Council, Chernihiv City Council)
3) One-time financial assistance (Chernihiv City Council, Losyniv Village Council and Mryn Village Council)
4) Integration through the population social protection programme (Vysoke Village Council)
5) Holiday gifts for internally displaced children (Chernihiv City Council).

These activities facilitate the social protection of IDPs but are not complex integral solutions.

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<td>Housing Programme for ATO/JFO Participants, Their Family Members and IDPs in Chernihiv Region for 2020–2022¹⁰</td>
<td>Creation of conditions and solutions for IDPs to obtain housing mostly through free legal aid, information campaigns to inform IDPs on Affordable Housing Programme, and monthly targeted assistance</td>
<td>Funding for these activities from the regional budget amounts to UAH 2,500,000. However, this amount covers all eligible programme participants, so it is impossible to calculate the exact funding for IDPs alone</td>
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## 5. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The following conclusions have been made based on the results of this mapping exercise:

- As of March 2021, there are no regions with operational comprehensive integration programmes for IDPs in place.
- The delay in adopting the National Strategy on IDP Integration and Durable Solutions has its negative impact, particularly on the development of the regional IDP integration policies and effective budget planning. Five regions stated they were waiting for the adoption of the National Strategy to use it as a reference point: Donetsk, Luhansk, Kirovohrad, Zakarpattia regions and the city of Kyiv (based on the official statistical data, three of them have the highest number of registered IDPs in the country).
- Lack of comprehensive understanding of the IDP integration process and obstacles has been noted; integration activities are mostly limited to social protection measures. Some of the regions specified the provision of monthly targeted assistance as an example of integration activities. While monthly targeted assistance is important to support IDPs, especially at early displacement stages, this measure is temporary, not sustainable, and provides only a side-effect on IDP integration (aslo due to a small amount of assistance). Some regions do have integration activities, but the local authorities did not specify them as such in the responses to our inquiries.
- Generally, the funding for IDP integration measures is limited; the additional negative effect of Covid-19 on budget reallocations was observed.

NRC Ukraine provides the following recommendations:

¹⁰ [http://surl.li/rqbf]
1. To national authorities, including the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine and the Ministry for Reintegration of the Temporarily Occupied Territories of Ukraine:

- Develop and approve the National Strategy on IDP Integration and Durable Solutions for the period till 2023 and the Action Plan.
- Ensure proper and sufficient state funding for the implementation of the National Strategy on IDP Integration and Durable Solutions for the period till 2023 and the Action Plan.
- Review the IDP registration approach and intensify data collection regarding the number, locations, needs, and intentions of IDPs to design effective integration policies.
- Monitor the implementation of the National Strategy on IDP Integration and Durable Solutions for the period till 2023 and the Action Plan.
- Provide capacity-building and raise awareness among the local self-governing authorities and regional state administration regarding the importance of IDP integration measures and support experience exchange among them.
- Facilitate coordination between national authorities to ensure comprehensive and holistic approaches to IDP integration.
- Engage IDPs in developing, implementing, and monitoring the efficiency of integration policies at the national level.

2. To local self-governing authorities and regional state authorities:

- Intensify the process of collecting and analysing data concerning the number of IDPs, locations, needs and intentions to establish efficient regional programmes and/or individual activities aimed at eliminating the existing obstacles for IDP integration in host communities.
- Develop and adopt a comprehensive regional strategy, action plan, and/or programme of IDP integration and/or complete/expand integration activities within other programmes’ frameworks (such as providing access to housing programmes, access to employment, etc.).
- Ensure IDPs’ social protection (specifically, by providing targeted assistance to vulnerable IDPs), but without limiting the integration policies to social protection measures. Integration activities may include, but should not be limited to, housing solutions, facilitating IDP employment, their involvement in public life, educational and cultural events etc.
- Allocate funding for the declared integration programmes and activities.
- Monitor the efficiency of integration programmes and activities, including, but not be limited to, monitoring the number of IDPs participating in the programmes/activities (both as candidates and beneficiaries) and financial indices showing a deficit of funds for the programmes’ implementation.
- Facilitate coordination between the regional state administrations and local self-governing authorities.
- Engage IDPs in developing, implementing, and monitoring the integration policies at the regional and local levels.

3. To international and national organisations:
• Provide support to the national authorities, regional state administrations and local self-governing authorities to implement the recommendations above.

• Perform regular mapping and monitoring of integration policies and integration activities.

• Facilitate improvement of coordination in the area of durable solutions and integration policies for IDPs.
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