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Help With Purchasing Seed Potatoes

SUSTAINING LIFE IN WAR-TORN UKRAINE

As we move along on a brand new year, we are once more reminded of the grim reality of war that many experience. While the cold drags on, a few signs show that Spring is around the corner.

One of the projects last year consisted of donating garden seeds to many village families in the Southern Ukraine. Our volunteers took note of how happy the village folks were to receive these seed packets along with literature. They also tended to their gardens with much diligence, since they depend heavily on produce to sustain them through the winter months.

Because very little rain falls in the South during summer, these villagers had to haul water in jugs to their small garden plots. Along with small seed packets, we were able to distribute 24,000 kg of seed potatoes. Many folks planted these potatoes, but without sufficient water, they weren't able to harvest large yields. One of our village friends reported that during the past year, many people hand dug wells on their own property. They hope that this year they will be able to sustain their gardens to harvest greater yields.

We would like to invite you to help us once again to purchase a load of seed potatoes for the villages in the South. We plan to supply 1500+ households with seed potatoes and seed packs, at a cost of \$20 per 20kg per household.

Thank You

for your past support. God Bless You!







Needed in Ukraine:

- Volunteers for 1-3 months
- House parents for 1-3 months
- One crew leader for 9 months to a year
- Funds to purchase seed potatoes (\$20 / 20kg) 1500 households = \$30,000
- Your ongoing prayers, support, and donations

YOU CAN mail a check, scan the QR code, or go to our website to donate online.

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Water & Hope

In the midst of ongoing devastation caused by the conflict in Ukraine, access to clean, reliable water has become an urgent need. Bombings and destruction have crippled vital infrastructure, leaving water lines and canals in disrepair. Families are struggling to meet their basic needs, with clean water often out of reach.

IBA's Water Program is dedicated to providing a solution: digging wells to supply communities with a steady source of water. Our mission is to restore hope and health to those affected by the conflict, and your support can make this possible.

With local water systems damaged, many Ukrainian families rely on distant or unreliable sources for drinking, cooking, and sanitation. This situation poses severe health risks, particularly to children and the elderly, who are most vulnerable to waterborne diseases. Wells provide an immediate, sustainable answer, offering communities the ability to regain a semblance of normalcy amid the chaos.

Each well costs approximately \$1,000 to construct, and the need is vast. Your donation to the Water Program can directly fund the drilling of a well, bringing life-sustaining water to hundreds of people. Together, we can help support the people of Ukraine during this critical time and provide them with the resources they need to endure and recover. Thank you for your compassion and generosity.









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