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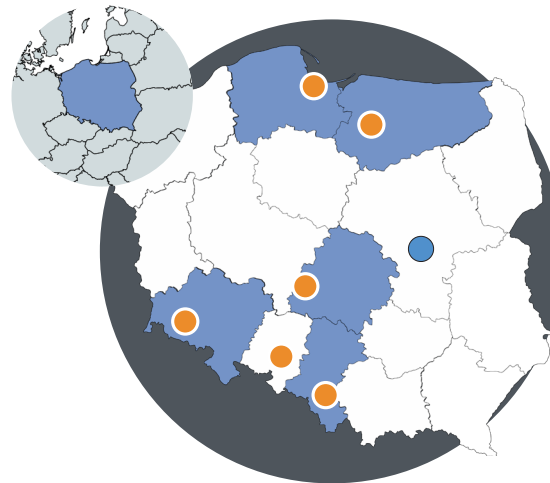
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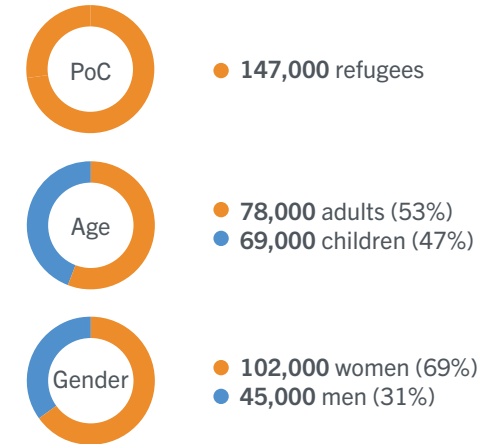
## About us

After conducting emergency operations including cash and food and non-food items distribution to 80,000 Ukrainian refugees, LWF Poland is now focusing on long-term development activities. The program prioritizes providing mental health and psycho-social support through six community centers across Poland. It also focuses on social cohesion and includes locals in some activities. LWF Poland works closely in collaboration with local Lutheran parishes and NGOs.



## Who we work with

In 2022, LWF Poland supported more than **147,000** Persons of Concern (PoC)

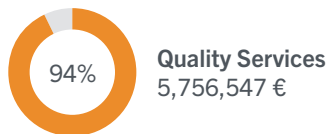


“The LWF Community Center provides various types of supports and exciting activities for adults and children. It benefited us, as parents, as well as our children. My daughters have made new friends there and are now happier and more outgoing. I wish there was something similar in Ukraine. I’m also grateful for the vouchers I received for clothes and medicine. The LWF has restored my faith in humanity.”

Oksana, a Ukrainian refugees about the LWF community center in Gdansk.

# Our impact

After focusing on a multi-purpose cash response, LWF Poland currently implements psycho-social activities. We strongly believe this is crucial to support Ukrainian refugees overcome the trauma of war and the many obstacles they encountered while fleeing their country. This represented an investment of 6.2 million euros last year. For 2022, the investments and results per programmatic area are as follows:



## QUALITY SERVICES

- 70,000 individuals received cash assistance
- 6,800 individuals could cover their basic needs in food, medicines, and clothes
- 22,376 individuals received hygiene kits
- 1,800 individuals received winterization vouchers
- 2,975 women and girls received dignity kits



## PROTECTION & SOCIAL COHESION

- 11,819 individuals accessed psychological support through sessions with psychologists
- 22,872 individuals were supported by social workers
- 17,911 children could access child-friendly spaces in community centers
- 686 persons living with disabilities were supported through assistive devices and services



## CROSS-CUTTING FOCUS AREAS

- Rights-Based and Local to Global Approach
- Child Protection
- Gender Justice & Women's Empowerment
- Climate Justice



“The children are ready to change their life, and start a new life here. The adults, on the other hand, feel responsible for those who stayed behind. They want to help them, support them as much as possible. Women ask me about stress management, for advice in family conflicts, and how to live meaningfully in times of war. It is very important to save the family.”

Iryna Karpenko, a psychologist working at the LWF community center in Biesko-Biala and a refugee herself. The LWF community centers help refugees through psycho-social counselling and they support local integration while preserving culture and language.

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