



September 15, 2022

Sueanne Ford
IAWP
Region 12 Coordinator

Dear Sueanne,

URGENT: Winter Clothing drive for displaced families and children of Ukraine police officers – September 15-October 31.

As the war in Ukraine continues past its 200th day, members of Ukraine's police service continue to put themselves in harm's way to protect and serve their citizens. Many have lost family members, friends and their homes and property, yet continue to serve their communities and country.

The Canadian outpouring of aid to Ukraine has included significant efforts by a host of Canadian police agencies, police associations and others, providing support to our Ukrainian police colleagues and their families. The Friends of Ukrainian Law Enforcement (FULE), a grassroots group of volunteer Canadian police and civilian members, have, along with colleagues in Ukraine, played a significant role in these efforts.

Now, with a long winter coming, we have identified an urgent need for warm clothing, **particularly for police officer's children**. Through our contacts in Poland, we are initiating a buying campaign for children's clothing which will be provided to our police colleagues' families in need.

This is an **urgent request of all of our Canadian police community**. Our goal is to raise \$20,000.00 in financial donations for warm children's clothing before October 31, before the severe weather arrives.

Over the past seven plus months, members of FULE, our partners and supporters have raised over \$102,000 through our GoFundMe donation drive (<https://gofund.me/b86deeb0>). The success of FULE is attributed to our established network of trusted colleagues in Ukraine and Poland, who ensure donations raised through FULE go directly to police officers and their families most in need.

The donated funds raised through the FULE GoFundMe campaign have provided **direct support**, (food, clothing, financial aid) for over 400 police members and their families to date, who in many cases have been critically injured, been displaced, lost family and friends and, have had their houses and all their property destroyed in the conflict.



Help us raise the \$20,000 in funds by October 31st, to provide this basic need for these vulnerable children. Please give generously and help us keep kids in Ukraine warm.

- Please consider donating by visiting our GoFundMe page here <https://gofund.me/b86deeb0>.

If you have any questions, please contact the organizers of this initiative.

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Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tracy Hardy".

Tracy Hardy, Assistant Commissioner (Rtd) OOM
Chair – Friends of Ukrainian Law Enforcement (FULE) Core Committee

For additional and up to date information, please visit below;

<https://gofund.me/b86deeb0>

https://twitter.com/support_fule

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