REPORT TO IFC-TOR on use of



DONATION for **UKRAINIAN AID**

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The **School Sisters of St. Francis** in Slovakia and the Czech Republic were most directly involved in aiding the Ukrainian people fleeing from their countries. Other sisters contributed through donations and in Sicily some direct aid was also given. The generous donation given to us through the IFC-TOR was mainly used in Slovakia and the Czech Republic.

The largest amount was sent to Slovakia to help families staying at a monastery near the border where over 56 people, including 30 children are residing. They were most in need of aid as initial donations were being depleted. The Sisters work there together with Franciscan Friars to give shelter, food, clothing and social services to the people. The sisters have also taken families into their convents and helped them adjust to life in Slovakia.

The sisters in Czechia also have been aiding refugees in local shelters and within their own homes. Money was sent to our sisters in Prague to help with the costs incurred by their aid. A number of Ukrainian teenagers were taken into our boarding house in Prague so they could attend local schools and the sisters are giving some Ukrainians shelter at the hostel over the summer months.

We also gave a smaller amount directly to a family in the Ukraine that we have been helping. They decided to stay but are struggling greatly because of the war.



Our sisters with some volunteers helping at the large shelter providing food, shelter, clothing and other necessities to the Ukrainian people



Sister Magdalena is joined by sisters from other congregations at the border



Sister Kveta, former General Minister, with a young Ukrainian child at a shelter where she is volunteering



Some sisters celebrating a meal with Ukrainian families that they help