



MEET DMYTRO AND VICTORIA FROM UKRAINE

Brutal conflict in Ukraine has left millions of people with no safe place to call home. More than twelve million people have been displaced by the Ukraine conflict and are in dire need of humanitarian assistance.

Dmytro and Victoria are community leaders at a block of apartments about 20km outside of Kyiv. The top floor and roof were almost completely destroyed.

"We had a simple life here before the invasion," Dmytro said. There were shops, a kindergarten and a school. *"We were a self-contained community,"* he added. Most the people living in the apartments are young and moved here to raise a family. There were around 200 families here before the invasion.

After tank shelling hit their building in March of 2022, many people were forced to leave when their gas canisters ran out. Then the building was hit again.

Dymtro and Victoria received shelter kits containing tarpaulin, shovels, solar lights, rope, hammers, shovels, pick axes and nails. This was enough for them to repair some of the walls and windows in their apartment and begin to rebuild the roof.

Around one third of the families here have come back since the attacks. Victoria told us, *"we want to live again, not just to survive, and to see our children playing in the yard and feel happiness once again."*