

SHUSWAP SUPPORT TO UKRAINIANS

WEEKLY UPDATE #27

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#	TOPIC	DETAILS
1	CUAET	<p>Here is the data for the Canada-Ukraine Authorisation for Emergency Travel program for the period 17 Mar to 28 Sep 2022:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Applications received: 588,290 (an increase of 14,523 since last week).➤ Applications approved: 288,957 (an increase of 11,418 since last week). <p>Reference: https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/immigrate-canada/ukraine-measures/key-figures.html</p>
2	Saturday 1 Oct Meet, Greet and Eat Fundraiser Blind Bay	<p>The event was a resounding success! Close to 200 people attended the Meet, Greet and Eat fundraiser. This was an incredible accomplishment taking into account the fact that the previous fundraiser held at the Salmon Arm Legion, took place on 27 Aug, just 5 weeks earlier. Judy Waller, our dedicated Fundraising Coordinator and event organiser, supported by a talented team of over 45 volunteers, pulled it off! BRAVO!</p> <p>Thank you to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ All volunteers who contributed to the success of the event in areas such as publicity, the silent and live auctions, the welcoming table, the set-up and clean-up, the bar service, the hot dog dinner, the decorations, the entertainment, photography, the games and face painting for the children and the gifts to the Ukrainian families.➤ Shuswap Lake Estates for the use of their community centre.➤ Askew;s Food for the hot dog dinner.➤ All businesses, community organizations and individuals who donate items or services for the auctions and the various activities of the event.

		<p>➤ To the participants who generously bid on the auction items and/or gave donations.</p> <p>The event raised a total of \$17,325.</p>
3	GoFundMe status	<p>\$37,503. raised to date (a \$17,325.00. increase since last week). Campaign goal: \$35,000.</p> <p>https://gofund.me/2bcbd1f9</p>
4	More Health Benefits Available to Ukrainian Newcomers	<p>Ukrainians arriving in B.C. with a Canada-Ukraine Authorization for Emergency Travel (CUAET) will benefit from a more affordable process for the federally mandated medical examination.</p> <p>As of Oct. 1, 2022, the Ministry of Health began managing payment for the medical diagnostic testing, including chest X-ray and blood tests, that Ukrainians under CUAET may need to complete within 90 days of arrival in British Columbia.</p> <p>To be eligible, individuals must be enrolled in the Medical Services Plan (MSP) and have approved CUAET documentation. This means that people will not be billed for completing the required testing. Those who have already paid for testing can be reimbursed.</p> <p>This announcement builds on recently announced full coverage of eligible prescription for one year as well as changes to the Medical and Health Care Services Regulation, which extended MSP coverage to all people arriving in B.C. with approved CUAET documentation. The three-month waiting period for MSP coverage has also been waived to help ensure immediate access to health services.</p>

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