

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – Much Needed Emergency Gear Donated to Ukrainian Humanitarian Efforts

March 31, 2022 – LAMONT, AB: Lamont County has donated much needed emergency equipment to Ukraine humanitarian efforts. Regional Fire Chief, Shayne Milliken delivered a pallet of gear to the humanitarian warehouse in Edmonton—to be flown to Ukraine and used for protection and other safety. This gear includes approximately 20 sets of bunker gear, 10 pairs of boots, 10 helmets, five nozzles, and various smaller equipment (gloves, etc.).

"Gear expires at various intervals to meet North American safety standards," said Shayne Milken, Lamont County's Regional Fire Chief. "Many fire departments in Ukraine are still using protective gear and equipment from the Soviet era; so where we would otherwise dispose of equipment and gear that is in relatively good repair, we can safely donate these to the humanitarian effort in Ukraine."

Lamont County has partnered with Firefighter Aid Ukraine in the past and has donated a significant amount of equipment to good use in the country. With the recent need for humanitarian aid, Emergency Services was able to provide additional equipment to assist Ukraine and safety efforts.

"It is a small step we can take to help out in the crisis by equipping those on the frontline with the tools they desperately need," said Milliken.

We are honoured to support Ukraine with humanitarian aid during this war.

Donations to humanitarian aid for Ukraine can be provided through the Canada-Ukraine Foundation: https://www.cufoundation.ca/.

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Photo #1 – Lamont County Emergency Services filled a truck with protective equipment for Ukraine Humanitarian aid.



Photo #2 – Lamont County Regional Fire Chief Shayne Milliken displays bunker gear donated to Ukrainian humanitarian aid





Photo #3 – Ukrainian firefighters who have received donated equipment from Canada in recent weeks.

Photo #4 – A pallet of equipment donated from Lamont County Emergency Services for Ukrainian humanitarian aid

