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## Emmaüs Europe – Update on needs Ukraine and Eastern Europe

For Ukraine: short-term needs have been covered thanks to the help of several groups. Please find below a more detailed list of the groups' needs. News in detail:

- Longjumeau sent a first convoy in late November to Nasha Khata, thanks to Rzeszow's invaluable help (photo below). The convoy arrived on 6 December in Nasha Khata.
- Longjumeau is currently preparing for a second convoy to Oselya, scheduled for early January. The group is in contact with groups from the Paris region.  
→ If you want to take part in this convoy and enable it to be shipped more quickly, please get in touch with Elena: Emmaüs Longjumeau [communaute.emmaus91@orange.fr](mailto:communaute.emmaus91@orange.fr)
- Longjumeau is also planning to send two solidarity loads to Rzeszow and Lublin, containing classic Emmaüs goods for them to sell in their charity shops.
- Emmaüs Aland (Finland) is getting ready a convoy for Oselya, scheduled for mid-December.

However, we are regularly receiving urgent requests from our groups in **Latvia** (Amis3), **Poland** (Rzeszow, Lublin, Brat Albert), and **Romania** (Satu Mare, Iasi and Targu Jiu) for classic Emmaüs goods that can be sold in their Emmaüs shops.

These groups are actively involved in supporting Ukrainian refugees in their countries, and are seeing their income-generating activities being impacted. It is vital that they receive classic Emmaüs items to enable them to continue helping the refugees.

Amis3 (Latvia) has the most urgent needs at the present time. The list submitted by the group:

- ➔ If you want to send a solidarity container load to Amis3, please first contact Emmanuel to check whether their needs have already been met ([emmanuel.rabourdin@emmaus-europe.org](mailto:emmanuel.rabourdin@emmaus-europe.org))
  - Furniture (all types)
  - Bedding: bed bases, mattresses, sheets, fitted sheets, duvets, pillows and pillowcases for the Ukrainian refugees.
  - Domestic appliances
  - Crockery
  - Trinkets
  - Toys

This list tallies with the needs of all the Emmaüs groups in Eastern Europe, with small adjustments based on each group's circumstances (notably with regard to sending

clothing and electronic equipment). Please contact Emmanuel for more precise information ([emmanuel.rabourdin@emmaüs-europe.org](mailto:emmanuel.rabourdin@emmaüs-europe.org))

### **List of classic Emmaus items to be sent to Romania and Poland**

- Furniture typically sold in Emmaus charity shops (all solid wood furniture, big chests of drawers, marble-topped sideboards, large solid wood wardrobes).
- Convertible sofas
- Single and double beds
- Dining tables
- Large ceiling lights
- Crockery and bric-a-brac well packaged and protected for the journey, toys and trinkets enjoy a third lease of life in these countries.
- Do not send IKEA or overly modern furniture, as there are few takers for these items.

**NB: For Romania, it is vital that boxes or bags of clothes are not included in the load. They are regarded as waste by Romanian customs, and the container load may be returned to the sending group, at the group's own expense.**

→ For Poland, the main need is for bric-a-brac and trinkets. It is easier to find furniture locally.

### **Regarding the list of needs for Ukraine**

- Winter clothing and footwear – all types
  - Sleeping bags
  - Floor mats
  - Warm blankets
  - Sheets
  - Hand towels
  - Wipes
  - Hygiene kits
  - Candles and matches
  - Tea, coffee, sugar, cereal
  - Baby food
  - Furniture: armchairs, tables, coffee tables, small tables, cushions, outdoor furniture.
- We recommend that you do not buy new items, but instead send what you have in stock, or second-hand items that are collected.
- If at any time there is a need for new items, Emmaus Europe will make the necessary purchases using the funds raised by the Emmaus groups: we still have reserves in the Ukraine Fund.
- Emmaus Europe and the groups on the ground are getting in touch with emergency aid organisations in France, Poland and Ukraine, to try to meet needs in areas in which the Emmaus Movement does not specialise and cannot meet, or to help organisations other than our Emmaus partners in Ukraine.

### **Oselya's and Nasha Khata's most urgent needs will be covered by Emmaus Europe:**

- Two 12kW three-phase generators.
- A 20kW three-phase generator.

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- Emmaus Europe has taken action along with the groups to try to quickly find and/or buy these generators in line with circumstances. Several generators are already en route.
- If you are able to make a donation, please contact Emmanuel before taking a decision to avoid any duplication ([emmanuel.rabourdin@emmaus-europe.org](mailto:emmanuel.rabourdin@emmaus-europe.org)).



Caption: The Emmaus Rzeszow companions pose for the camera having loaded their fifth container since March for Nasha Khata. They filled it with goods sent by Emmaus Longjumeau.