



## Dear Friends,



**Paul Grod**  
UWC President

The world we are used to has changed in a month. As we get new information every day, we are concerned about our plans for the future, the well-being of our loved ones. We worry if we can be with them or whether we can get home to our families.

My sincere condolences to those who tragically lost their loved ones. We wish strength to those fighting the disease or supporting a family member. We thank the doctors and medical professionals self-sacrificing to guard our health and safety.

We are proud of the unity of our global Ukrainian family in these difficult times. Ukrainian World Congress established a Task Force to support our communities during the pandemic. We are working with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, Churches, governments and international organizations. We are in constant contact with our communities globally and are working on the following initiatives:



### Important Information

MFA Ukraine and WHO updates  
Virtual liturgies of Ukrainian churches



### Psychological Support

Webinars with Ukrainian, Canadian and British therapists. Follow the upcoming sessions [schedule](#)



### Distance Learning

Distance learning project to support [teachers](#) and [parents](#). Sign up for teacher [workshops!](#)

UWC Task Force is supporting Ukraine to procure the much-needed medical supplies and equipment. We work with governments, suppliers and humanitarian organizations.

Besides the COVID-19 invisible enemy Ukraine is courageously resisting Russian aggression. Russian Federation is utilizing every opportunity to legitimize the occupation authorities in Donbas, to avoid liability for the war in the East of Ukraine, for occupation of Crimea and blatant violations of human rights in the occupied Ukrainian territories. The powerful voice of the global Ukrainian community is now more important than ever. Even in the new virtual world reality, UWC is working to strengthen international support to Ukraine.

Easter is upon our global Ukrainian family. This is the celebration of eternal faith and hope, triumph of life over death. Wherever we are, let's unite in help and support to each other, offering hope and care during the times of extraordinary global challenges to the Ukrainian people.

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## UWC News



### Teleconference with Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine

On March 19, UWC Leadership discussed current cooperation issues with Dmytro Kuleba, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine. [Read more](#)



### "Political quarantine" for Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine

UWC urges Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine to refrain from discussing and voting on the issues that may cause social tensions and controversial reaction in the society during national quarantine restrictions. [Read more](#)



### Russia must be held accountable for war crimes in Ukraine

Ukraine's consent to direct negotiations with the leaders of Russia-controlled terrorist organizations DNR and LNR would legitimize the Russian occupation in the region. [Read more](#)



### Another blatant violation of Ukrainian and international legislation

Putin's decree banned Ukrainian nationals, including Crimean Tatars, from land ownership in occupied Crimea. This is another a blatant violation of Ukrainian and international legislation. [Read more](#)



### UWC President launched series of teleconferences with leaders of global Ukrainian communities

On March 28 UWC President held a virtual meeting with Ukrainian organizations from Western Europe to discuss support to Ukrainian communities during the pandemic and support to Ukraine at this critical time. [Read more](#)

## Proud of Our Community Initiatives !

### Abu Dhabi community

Throughout March Abu Dhabi community has been assisting Ukrainians, timely informing the community and helping get to Ukraine. Also, to support the youngest members of the community, Abu Dhabi Ridna Shkola started a flashmob "Stay at home kids". Ukrainian school in Montreal already joined this initiative. [Read more](#)



### Ukrainian Canadian Congress

Important community support initiatives by the Ukrainian Canadian Congress (UCC). UCC created a special [website](#) for the Ukrainian Canadian community with updates, resources and heartwarming stories. UCC also launched a call for blood donations and community outreach to seniors, while advocating for robust government support to the charitable and education sector. More about UCC initiatives and Easter Pysanka campaign with lots of great resources [for families](#)

### Meest donates UAH20 mln for medical supplies and equipment in Ukraine

Meest International group of companies provides much needed equipment and supplies to Ukraine to help fight the coronavirus outbreak. COVID-19 test-kits already delivered to Lviv City Emergency Hospital. Meest allocated UAH 20 mln for purchase of medical supplies and equipment.



## Thank you to everyone who joined UWC #GlobalShevchenko flashmob!

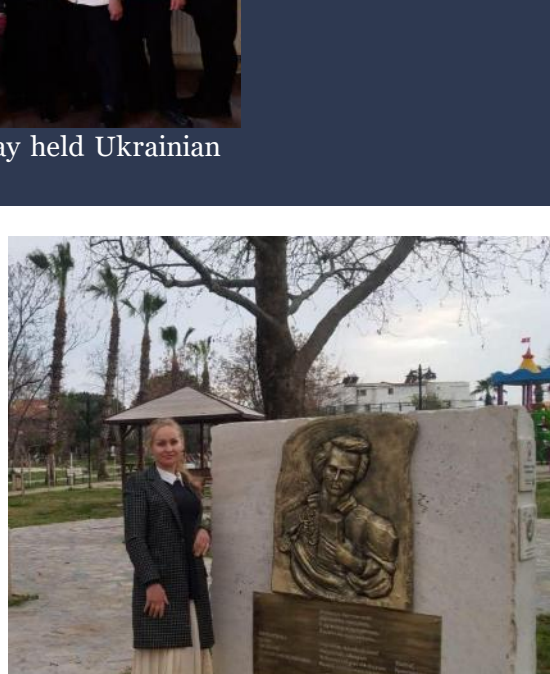


Ukrainian media Svoboda Radio highlights the most active participants of flashmob. [Read the article](#)

The inspiring celebration of Kobzar's birthday held Ukrainian community in Tallinn, Estonia. [Read more](#)

### First Taras Shevchenko monument installed in Antalya under UWC auspices

In early March, Ukrainian community in Turkey, under the auspices of UWC, installed the first Taras Shevchenko barelief in Antalya. [Read more](#)



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