



Dear Friends

Update about the opening of the refugee centre in Vuzlove.

The center has been in big demand. We have now employed a full time professional teacher who not only provides programs and tuition for the children but also helps to coordinate and maximize the usefulness of the centre.

The focus is on children who are refugees and whose fathers are serving in the Ukrainian Army. To help refugee children to integrate into their new surroundings and help children of soldiers to cope with trauma is a priority. Another priority objective is to have a place where war widows are able to meet and gain collective support.

Since the centre has been opened it has been widely published that thousands of Ukrainian soldiers are suffering with PTSD (post traumatic stress disorder). This figure will only get bigger. We aim to help in addressing PTSD in the future.

Financially our charity is stable with funds available to operate the facility for the next 18 months. Off course at some stage we will have to raise funds in order to make sure the centre is secure well into the foreseeable future.

I have travelled through towns and areas in Ukraine where the locally drafted men have been in a bad place and losses of soldiers run into hundreds. Everyone and everyone in the district is grieving.

Undoubtedly there is a need for centers such as the one in Vuzlove throughout Ukraine but particularly in the west as soldiers were heavily recruited from here and this is the area where the refugees have sought sanctuary.

My next trip is in 4 weeks time and I will be looking to find out if we can extend our help. Could we raise funds to open a second centre in a location where we know where loss and human suffering is high? I will be looking into this and finding out what is possible.

Thank you everyone who has helped.
You have the gratitude of the Ukrainian people.

Yours

Martin

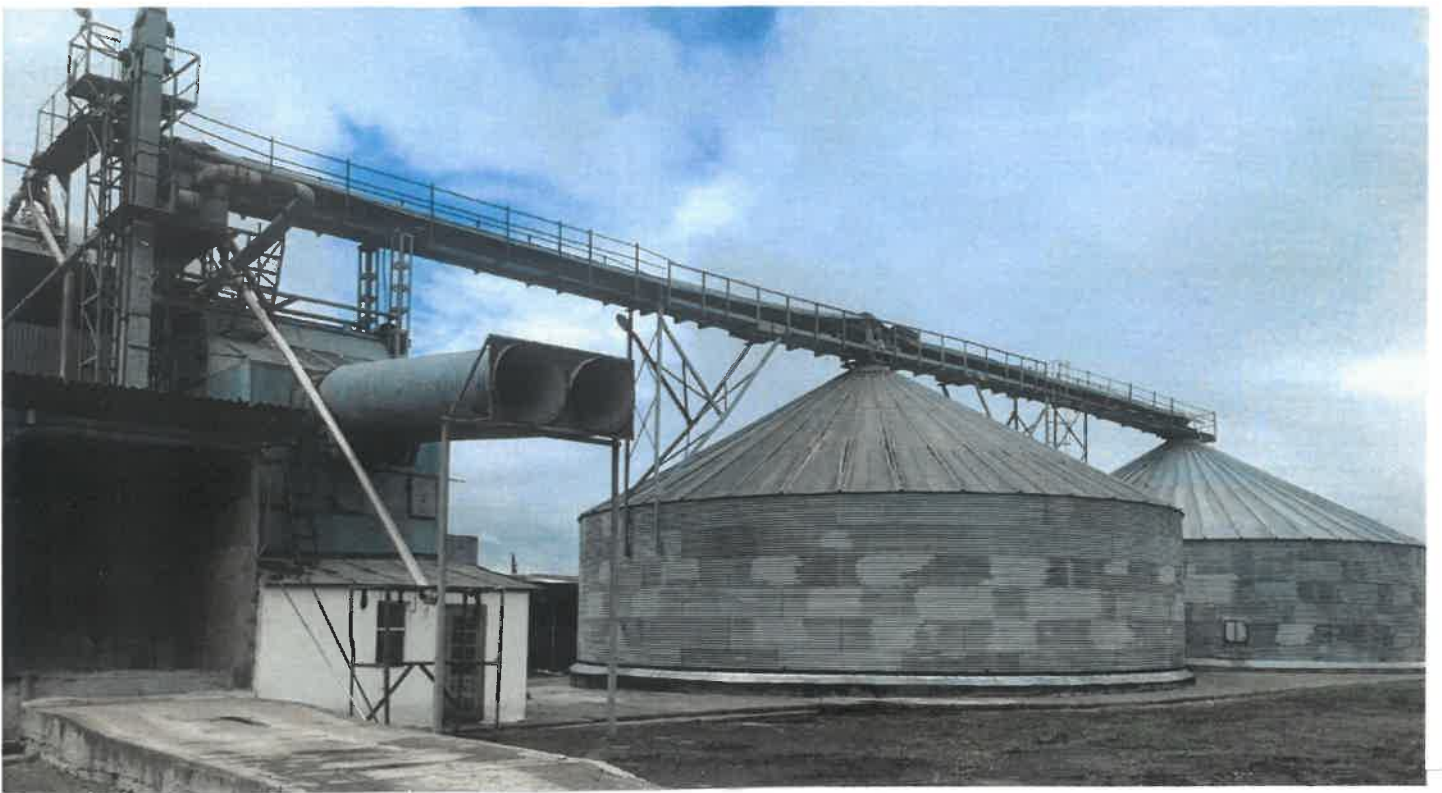
Owner Martin Jensen, who is based in Norfolk, UK:

“During soviet times our farm used to be a collective farm. After the independence of Ukraine, it collapsed and only some part of the land was cultivated by these old soviet combine harvesters. In 2010, Martin Jensen was driving through our region with a group. They stopped to see how we were working with antique machinery. They then decided to make investments, and Martin became an owner. Martin introduced new technologies to our farm. We got rid of old combine harvesters and imported John Deere, Lexion, New Holland, and Mzuri machinery.”



“We had planned to spread our activities by introducing greenhouse, growing strawberries, and vegetables, but war is stopping us.”

Before the start of the war, Ukraine was steadily increasing its production and export of grain. Ninety-eight percent of Ukrainian agricultural exports were done by sea and only 2% by rail and road. Corn farmers are switching to soybeans as Europe needs a huge amount of soybeans, and for these exports, they do not need access to ports, and they can be transported by rail.

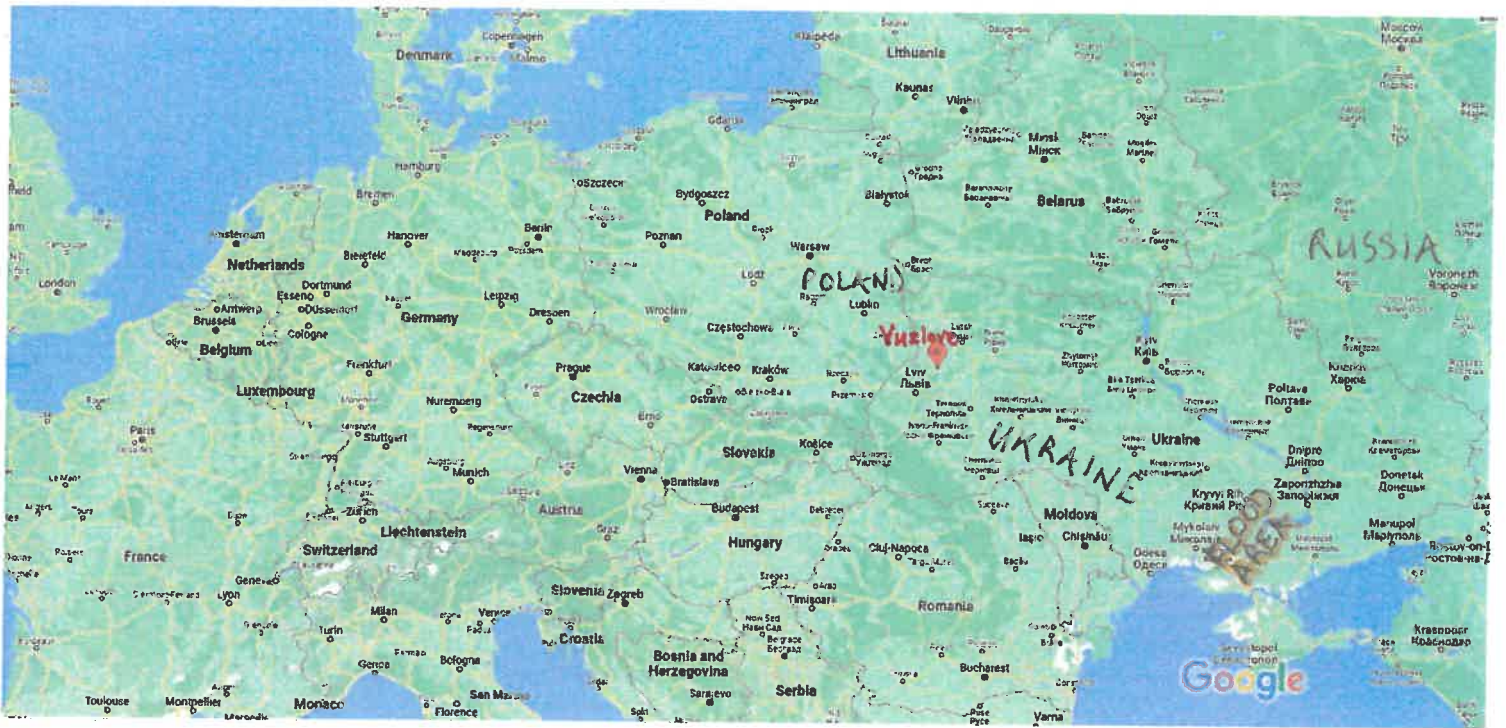


Helping refugees and soldiers

The Russian invasion of Ukraine on 24 February has had repercussions across the globe, but the consequences are felt particularly acutely by the hundreds of thousands of farmers valiantly producing crops.

“As the war started we greatly help our army and as well refugees. There are a lot of them in our village. Martin organized fundraising money in England. That is a real help, and we really appreciate what the English people are doing for us. Their support is enormous.”





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