In the early hours of October 10, 2022, russia launched 84 rockets from air, sea and land at Ukrainians civilian targets in the cities of Kyiv, Zaporizhzhia, Dnipro, Zhytomyr, Khmelnytskyi, Ternopil, Lviv, Ivano-Frankivsk, Kropyvnytskyi, Kremenchuk, Sumy, Kharkiv and others. Among the targets with no strategic or military significance were busy metro intersections during the morning rush hour, city parks and children's playgrounds, schools and kindergartens, universities and healthcare facilities, and a pedestrian bridge that serves no other purpose than for tourists to go sightseeing. Following the explosions, reports began to come in from across the country that electricity and water services had been interrupted all over Ukraine, the result of massive Russian air strikes all over the country. As of the writing of this statement, only 35% of Lviv residents have had electricity restored, and 50% are still without water.
In response to the deaths and injuries from these missile strikes, as well this past weekend’s cruise missile strikes on residential buildings in Zaporizhzhia which killed 17 people and injured dozens more, Russia’s terrorist-in-chief issued a video statement claiming personal responsibility for his terrorist actions. In a televised address this morning, Putin said that he had personally ordered the massive long-range strikes against Ukrainian targets.

Following this open admission of guilt, the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America (UCCA), the representative organization of the nearly two million Americans of Ukrainian descent, urgently requests that the leaders of the United States and its allies at last designate Putin’s Russia as a “state sponsor of terrorism.”

UCCA has already called for the suspension of Russia’s rights and privileges of membership in the United Nations, and for the creation of an International Tribunal to indict Putin and Russian leaders, so that warrants would be issued to each and every military officer involved in breaching Article 2 of the United Nations Charter, and charges brought against them following their detention.

Furthermore, UCCA re-states its request of the United States and our NATO allies to provide with all due haste to Ukraine, the anti-aircraft and anti-missile defense systems that are urgently needed to #ClosesTheSkies above innocent men, women, and children. “As Ukrainians continue to die day after day from Russian missiles, bombs and gunfire, it is no longer acceptable to cling to the position that the world should cower at Putin’s bluffs. Ukraine has exposed the weakness of Russia’s military capabilities. The world must act now by supplying Ukraine’s defenders with tanks, fighter jets, and longer-range missiles to push Russian invaders out of their country and let Ukraine win this war,” stated UCCA President, Andriy Futey.

In response to today’s terrorist acts, UCCA encourages all supporters of Ukraine to hold public rallies across the United States to condemn Russia’s actions and to demand increased military assistance for Ukraine.

Download UCCA’s Statement (PDF)
Midterm Elections
November 8, 2022

Ukraine Needs Your Voice

• Russia: State Sponsor of Terrorism
• Security Assistance for Ukraine
• Prosecution of Russian War Criminals
• Recognition of War in Ukraine as Genocide
• Increased Russia-related Sanctions

You can assist by voting!

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The midterm elections are quickly approaching on November 8, 2022, and it is our community’s opportunity to be heard on a variety of issues important to you. Now is the time to pay particular attention to what the candidates are saying about supporting Ukraine during the Russian war of aggression. It’s not too late to register to vote for the midterm elections! Visit [www.vote.org](http://www.vote.org) to learn about the requirements for your state and ensure that your voice is heard.

Where applicable, please make efforts within your communities to have voter registration drives, and please circulate this infographic widely and post onto your social media channels – Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.

Visit the UNIS Advocacy Page

Florida Appeal
Hurricane Ian was one of the strongest hurricanes to make landfall on the west coast of the Florida peninsula. Upon its arrival, Ian had sustained winds of 150-mph—just 7mph below the threshold for a Category 5 storm.

Numerous Ukrainians, including some recently arrived displaced Ukrainian citizens, were unfortunately caught in the path of Hurricane Ian. Some members of our community have lost their homes entirely.

When disasters such as these strike, World Central Kitchen’s (WCK) Relief Team mobilizes to start cooking and providing meals to people in need. By partnering with organizations on the ground and activating a network of local restaurants, food trucks, or emergency kitchens, WCK serves comforting meals to survivors of disasters quickly and effectively.

Since the beginning of the war in Ukraine, UCCA has supported WCK’s efforts in Ukraine and Poland. UCCA’s President, Andriy Futey has personally volunteered at those WCK sites in Poland and Ukraine, and was grateful to re-unite with WCK
Andriy Futey also ran into Taras Jaworsky, visiting from Chicago, who also dedicated his time and volunteered at WCK.

UCCA encourages members of the Ukrainian American community to help and volunteer and assist those in need. You can also donate to WCK directly at the link below, or else contribute to the UCCA's humanitarian fund and request that funds be distributed to WCK in Ukraine or Florida.

Donate to WCK

Donate to #SupportUkraine Today!

Did you miss a recent UCCA email?

*UCCA archives all of our email updates at UCCA.org*

**WHAT IS UCCA?**

The Ukrainian Congress Committee of America (UCCA) is a non-profit, non-partisan community-based organization that has represented the interests of Ukrainians in the United States since 1940.

**ЩО ТАКЕ УККА?**

Український Конгресовий Комітет Америки (УККА) є неприбутковою, безпартійною громадською організацією, яка представляє інтереси українців у Сполучених Штатах Америки з 1940 року.