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Making their world
a better place

HUMANITARIAN AID, CAMPS,
SCHOLARSHIPS, MEDICAL NEEDS

Who is UCARE

The Ukrainian Children's Aid and Relief Effort, Inc. ("UCARE") is an IRS 501(c)(3) charity, organized in 1997. UCARE's mission is to improve the quality of life and health of children living in Ukrainian orphanages and create opportunities for these children to reach their maximum potential.

UCARE has two U.S. chapters, one in Chicago and another in Detroit. In the U.S., UCARE operates with only volunteer assistance. In Kiev, Ukraine, UCARE subsidizes the "Pryateli Ditey" office and employs one full time employee. Without our friends in Ukraine, our work would be extremely difficult.



OUR MISSION

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UCARE PROJECTS

MEDICAL NEEDS

Many Ukrainian orphans have physical handicaps unaddressed by Western medical standards. UCARE pays for medicines, corrective surgeries, hospital stays and prosthetics for these orphans. UCARE also works with other organizations to direct medical aid, such as facilitating cleft lip and palate surgeries. Finally, the majority of the hospitals in Ukraine are not responsible to provide clean sheets or meals to its patients. Therefore, UCARE sends a volunteer to pick up and launder the child's linens as well as provide the child with daily meals.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS



Orphaned and abandoned children live in Ukrainian orphanages until age 18, when they "age out." They must leave at 18, regardless of their readiness to live away from the only home many of them have known. These children leave with no family, no money nor any job prospects. Because these children typically live and go to school in their orphanages, they receive a substandard education and are taught only limited life skills. Their prospects are bleak. Being unprepared for life outside the orphanage, these young adults experience a high suicide rate; most have no hope for a decent job or a normal family life.

To a lucky few, UCARE sponsors throw a lifeline of a college scholarship and a better tomorrow. To qualify for a UCARE scholarship, orphans must meet a variety of criteria, pass a psychological exam, and gain admission to a Ukrainian trade school, college or university. For \$1,000 per year (less than \$20 per week), a sponsor pays for one student's daily living and school expenses, including food, shelter, clothing, transportation, school supplies, books and medical care. By sponsoring an orphan, you give a gift of hope.

To learn more about our scholarship program or to become a sponsor, visit us at ucareinc.org.

HUMANITARIAN AID - MARSCH ROUTE

Each year, UCARE purchases or accepts donations of humanitarian aid items such as, baby formula, vitamins, shoes, clothing, toys, school supplies, soap and other hygiene products. UCARE volunteers then distribute these items on an annual "marsch-route". U.S. and Ukraine volunteers visit orphanages to hand deliver this aid. These personal deliveries allow UCARE to guarantee that all purchased and donated items are hand delivered to the orphans. Volunteers also make return, unannounced visits to the orphanages to ensure that the items remain with the children. During each visit, UCARE volunteers assess the individual needs of each orphanage to tailor its aid to the needs of each particular Orphanage.



SUMMER CAMPS

In 2006, UCARE will host a summer camp in Ukraine for orphans. This camp will not only give children a respite from their orphanage, the camp will also have a full program teaching life skills, building self-esteem and exploring opportunities for life after the orphanage.



We care about these children and so do you. You can help. Please send your tax deductible donation to:

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THANK YOU!