

# MATVIIVSKA

## Territorial Community



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COMMUNITY

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# MATVIIVSKA TERRITORIAL COMMUNITY

Resilience. Partnership. Development.

## ABOUT THE COMMUNITY

Matviivska Territorial Community is located in the northern part of Zaporizhzhia Region, only 17 km from the city of Zaporizhzhia and at the crossroads of major national transport routes connecting central and southern Ukraine. The community was established in 2020 through the amalgamation of four local councils and today unites 12 settlements, including the administrative center – Matviivka village. Despite its proximity to the frontline and the challenges of war, the community continues to invest in education, public services, infrastructure and local economic development.

## KEY FACTS

- Population: 6,904 residents
- Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs): 1,793
- Area: 181 km<sup>2</sup>
- Settlements: 12
- Distance to Zaporizhzhia: 17 km
- Distance to Dnipro: 100 km
- Distance to International Airport: 13 km
- Strategic roads: M-18 and H-15
- Railway access through Prydniprovskia Railway network



# A COMMUNITY OF RESILIENCE AND OPPORTUNITY

## STRATEGIC LOCATION

Matviivska Community benefits from its close proximity to Zaporizhzhia, strong transport connections, railway infrastructure and access to regional markets, creating favorable conditions for investment and business development.



## ECONOMIC POTENTIAL

The local economy is traditionally based on agriculture, processing industries and extraction of natural resources. The community is home to the historic Yantseve Granite Quarry — one of the largest granite deposits in Ukraine with national significance and over 130 years of industrial history.

## NATURAL RESOURCES

- Fertile black soils suitable for agricultural production
- More than 16,000 hectares of agricultural land
- Significant granite reserves
- Water bodies and recreational areas
- Natural and cultural heritage sites, including archaeological monuments and Mennonite heritage locations

## HUMAN CAPITAL

The community remains a place where people choose to stay and rebuild. Since 2022, Matviivska has hosted nearly 1,800 internally displaced persons, providing support, integration services and access to education, healthcare and social protection. Women and children represent the majority of displaced residents, highlighting the importance of inclusive and resilient public services.

## VISION FOR THE FUTURE

Matviivska Community is committed to becoming a safe, resilient and inclusive territory that combines:

- ✓ Quality education and safe learning environments
- ✓ Reliable critical infrastructure
- ✓ Sustainable local economic development
- ✓ Support for vulnerable groups and veterans
- ✓ Preservation of cultural heritage
- ✓ Strong partnerships with national and international stakeholders

**We believe that investment in resilience today creates sustainable development for future generations.**

Safety is the foundation of resilience. Every shelter, warning signal and rescue vehicle means saved lives and stronger community resilience.

Even during wartime, Matviivska Community is planning for the future.

- Unique Mennonite architectural heritage
- Historic agricultural and industrial buildings
- Shared European cultural history
- Potential for heritage, educational and rural tourism

## MENNONITE HERITAGE & TOURISM POTENTIAL

Preserving History. Building the Future.

### FUTURE VISION:

- ✓ Mennonite Heritage Route
- ✓ Cultural and educational tourism
- ✓ Cycling and eco-tourism trails
- ✓ International partnerships and investment

Tourism can create jobs, attract investment, preserve heritage and support long-term recovery.Я

## POTENTIAL TOURISM ASSETS

-  Heritage Sites
-  Rural Landscapes
-  Eco Tourism
-  Educational Tourism
-  International Partnerships
-  European Heritage



# WAR CHALLENGES AND COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

Despite being located near the frontline, Matviivska Territorial Community continues to provide essential services, support residents and invest in long-term recovery.

## CHALLENGES OF WAR

- Ongoing security threats and regular air raid alerts.
- Damage to residential buildings and critical infrastructure caused by missile and drone attacks.
- Additional pressure on local services due to the arrival of internally displaced persons.
- Risks to uninterrupted access to education, healthcare and social services.
- Growing demand for emergency response, humanitarian support and psychological assistance.
- Economic challenges affecting local businesses, employment and municipal resources.

As of 2025, dozens of residential buildings have been damaged by military actions, while residents continue to live and work in conditions of constant security risks.



**ARTILLERY  
SHELLING**



**AIRSTRIKE**



**AIR STRIKE**



**UAV - DRONE**



# OUR RESPONSE

## COMMUNITY SAFETY CENTER

A modern Community Safety Center operates within the municipality, strengthening emergency preparedness, coordination and rapid response capabilities.

## SAFE EDUCATION

The community ensures continuity of education through adapted learning formats, protective infrastructure and the development of a Safe Educational Resilience Hub at Lyceum "Vsesvit".

## SUPPORT FOR RESIDENTS AND IDPS

More than 1,700 internally displaced persons have found safety and support in the community. Social services, humanitarian assistance and integration measures are provided in cooperation with national and international partners.

## HUMANITARIAN PARTNERSHIPS

The community actively cooperates with international humanitarian organizations, delivering food assistance, healthcare services, psychosocial support and targeted aid to vulnerable households.

## MUNICIPAL SERVICES AND CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Despite wartime conditions, municipal services continue maintaining water supply systems, roads, public spaces and communal infrastructure to ensure quality of life for residents.

## RECOVERY AND DEVELOPMENT

Matviivska Community is implementing priority recovery projects, including modernization of the water supply network and construction of a protective shelter for Lyceum "Vsesvit", strengthening long-term resilience and sustainable development.

## FROM RESPONSE TO RESILIENCE

Today Matviivska Community is not only overcoming the consequences of war. It is building safer infrastructure, protecting people, preserving educational opportunities and creating the foundation for future recovery and growth.





# SAFETY AND CIVIL PROTECTION

Protecting People in a Frontline Community

- Community Safety Center
- Rescue Unit & Community Police Officer
- Emergency Response After Shelling
- Mine Safety Education
- Recovery Activities

## CURRENT CAPACITY

- ✓ Community Safety Center
- ✓ Community Police Officer
- ✓ Safety Classes
- ✓ Mine Risk Education
- ✓ Emergency Response Team

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# PROTECTING PEOPLE IN A FRONTLINE COMMUNITY

Protecting People in a Frontline Community



## CURRENT CHALLENGE

The community lacks a modern automated warning system.



## PROPOSED SOLUTION

### local automated early warning system

- Siren & voice
- Air raid & drone warnings
- Mobile notifications
- Emergency instructions



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## PROJECT AT A GLANCE

**Beneficiaries:** 8,700 residents (incl. 1,800 IDPs & 380 vulnerable)

**Implementation:**  
9 months

### EARLY WARNING SYSTEM

(Project documentation available)

€ 115,000

### MODULAR SHELTERS

€ 100,000

### ALL-TERRAIN RESCUE VEHICLE

€ 120,000



The system will provide voice messages and emergency instructions, ensuring timely and understandable warnings for all residents.

# EDUCATION, INCLUSION AND SAFE LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS

Investing in Children. Investing in the Future

- Lyceum 'Vsesvit'
- Inclusive School Bus
- Learning During Air Alerts
- Modernized Laboratories
- Inclusive Education

## WHAT WE HAVE

- Lyceum 'Vsesvit'
- Inclusive Education
- Accessible School Transportation
- Modernized Laboratories
- Education Reform Pilot

## CURRENT INVESTMENTS

- Classroom Renovation
- STEM & Science Labs
- Modern Equipment

## PRIORITY PROJECT

- Safe Educational Resilience Hub



Every child deserves safe access to quality education, regardless of wartime conditions.

# SAFE EDUCATIONAL RESILIENCE HUB

MATVIIVSKA  
Territorial Community

Zaporizhzhia  
region



## ABOUT MATVIIVSKA TERRITORIAL COMMUNITY

- Frontline Community, Zaporizhzhia Region
- 5 km from Zaporizhzhia City, between major national transport corridors.
- 6,904 residents
- 1,793 internally displaced persons (IDP) hosted
- 12 settlements
- Strong agricultural potential (Area 181km<sup>2</sup>)
- International partnerships (U-LEAD, ACTED, IMPACT Initiatives, UK Aid, UNDP)
- Investment-ready projects in DREAM

## SECTOR OF THE PROJECT:



Education & Human  
Capital Development

## LOCATION



Village Matviivka, Centralna  
str.73A, Zaporizhzhia region

**ABOUT PROJECT:** Through the implementation of this project, the primary school of Lyceum "Vsesvit" will be transformed into a modern, safe, and inclusive educational hub through comprehensive reconstruction and the construction of a protective shelter with a capacity of 293 persons.

The initiative will ensure uninterrupted access to quality education, enhance the safety of children and school staff, support internally displaced families, and strengthen the resilience of a frontline community. Beyond its educational function, the shelter will serve as a Community Resilience Centre, providing a safe space for residents during emergencies, supporting humanitarian response efforts, and hosting community, educational, and psychosocial support activities organized by local authorities and humanitarian partners.

Developed with the support of the U-LEAD with Europe Programme, the project contributes to education reform in Ukraine, human capital development, and sustainable recovery.

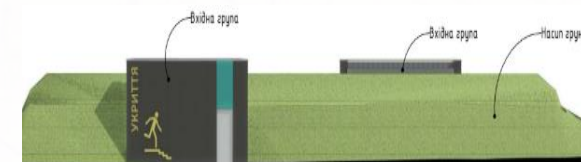
## PROJECT OUTCOMES:



School and shelter in Matviivka with 293-person shelter capacity covering students, families, IDPs, local residents; humanitarian partners involvement



600+ education seekers to be covered



**Financial - € 3,6 mln**

Total cost: **€ 3,55 mln**

Financed by partners and the local  
budget **€ 52 .000**



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# PEOPLE FIRST – SOCIAL COHESION AND COMMUNITY CARE

Supporting vulnerable groups, veterans, IDPs and older persons

## KEY FIGURES

8,424 residents  
1,612 IDPs  
2,103 older persons (60+)  
334 persons with disabilities  
1,581 children

## EXPECTED IMPACT

Better access to social and healthcare services  
Barrier-free mobility  
Support for veterans and vulnerable groups

No one should be isolated from essential services because of age, disability or wartime circumstances.

## WHAT WE HAVE

### Community Social Services Centre provides:

- Home-based care
- Support for older persons
- Assistance to persons with disabilities
- Veteran and family support
- IDP integration and humanitarian aid
- Cooperation with healthcare services

## COMMUNITY NEED

Accessible Social Taxi Vehicle jointly operated by the Social Services Centre and Primary Healthcare Centre.



# PEOPLE FIRST



## SOCIAL COHESION & INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY

Supporting vulnerable groups, veterans, older persons and children



PROJECT COST  
**€40,000**



## COMMUNITY NEED

### ACCESSIBLE SOCIAL TAXI VEHICLE

Specialized vehicle for transporting people with disabilities, veterans, older persons and other vulnerable residents.

### WHO WILL BENEFIT?



**2,103**

older persons (60+)



**334**

persons with disabilities



**1,612**

internationally displaced persons (IDPs)



**veterans and members of their families**



**1,581**

children

### THE VEHICLE WILL PROVIDE ACCESS TO:



healthcare services



social support services



administrative services



rehabilitation activities



outreach work  
by the Social Services  
Centre and PHC Centre

### JOINT USE

The vehicle will be used jointly by:



Community Social Services Centre



Primary Healthcare Centre

### EXPECTED IMPACT

- ✓ Improved access to services in all settlements
- ✓ Inclusive and barrier-free community
- ✓ Support for veterans and vulnerable groups
- ✓ Access to healthcare and essential services
- ✓ Better quality of life and social inclusion
- ✓ Stronger social cohesion in the community



**A COMMUNITY  
WHERE NO ONE  
IS LEFT BEHIND**



### INVESTING IN PEOPLE

**BUILDING A STRONGER, MORE INCLUSIVE FUTURE**

Matviivska Territorial Community



**8,424**

total residents



**6,812**

local residents



**1,612**

IDPs



**1,581**

children



**4,765**

women



**3,645**

men

“ Investing in accessible services is investing in dignity, equality and a resilient community. ”

## CURRENT SITUATION

- Existing network built in 1965
- Significant deterioration and water losses
- Additional damage caused by military attacks
- Risks for households, schools, healthcare and businesses

## PROPOSED SOLUTION

- Reconstruction of more than 9 km of water pipelines
- Improved reliability and water quality
- Reduced losses and operational costs

## SOCIAL & GENDER IMPACT

- Benefits women, men, girls and boys equally
- Supports IDPs, older persons and persons with disabilities
- Improves access to essential services for vulnerable groups

Water is more than infrastructure. It is health, dignity, economic. Opportunity and the foundation for community resilience.

# RECONSTRUCTION OF THE WATER SUPPLY NETWORK IN MATVIIVKA VILLAGE

Water Security is Community Resilience

## KEY BENEFICIARIES

6,904 Residents  
1,793 IDPs  
1,100+ Children  
1,700+ Older Persons

## PROJECT VALUE

- Human Capital
- Economic Development
- Community Resilience
- Investment Attractiveness



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## LET'S BUILD RESILIENCE TOGETHER

### **PRIORITY PARTNERSHIP AREAS**

- Safe Education
- Water Infrastructure
- Community Safety
- Social Inclusion
- Heritage & Tourism

We are ready for partnership,  
co-investment and  
international cooperation.

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