



REACH **2** ROMANIA

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The fiftieth newsletter of a Christian Project, working to relieve poverty and restore hope in the future, in Romania.

SUPPORTING UKRAINIAN REFUGEES

Since the end of February 2022 the news has been dominated by the situation in Ukraine. As of early June approximately one million refugees had crossed the border into Romania and half a million into Romanian speaking Moldova.

Approximately two thirds of these are simply transiting the country to get to family or friends further into the EU. Because most families only spend 5-10 days in the country we decided the best way we could help was with money to buy diesel for transport to get them to where they are going. Plus some food along the way. We have received £2200 specifically for refugees, and have allocated this across three partners. Main report on page 7, plus pages 3 & 6.



EXPANDING OUR WORK INTO MOLDOVA

The AGM on the 26 March passed a motion that our Charity Objects be amended to allow us to expand our work into the Republic of Moldova. This was accepted by the Charity Commission on 14 May.



Moldova was originally called Bessarabia and part of Romania. It was annexed by USSR in 1817 and again in 1940. Originally Romanian speaking, there are a lot of Russian words incorporated into modern Moldovan. See page 6 for the mission news from Remus & Catea [left]. They have a lot of programs including food aid, wood chips for winter fuel, and seeds to grow your own food [right].



GEARING UP FOR SUMMER

Preparations are under way for holiday clubs in Teiuş and Şona. Two camps will be held in Cugir for the children from Timișoara [right]. The leaders are looking at whether they have T-shirts in stock from aid we have delivered in Romania. (We ceased sending materials at the end of 2020 due to Brexit.) **Ed.**

