



UKRAINIAN SCI RELIEF

Support for refugees with SCI

More than 5 million people are fleeing from war. Among them are many people with disabilities who are particularly vulnerable.

We are helping!

A network of European self-help organisations and medical societies for Spinal Cord Injured (SCI)

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Shelter and support for SCI

Within the European aid project „Ukrainian SCI Relief“ the European Spinal Cord Injury Federation (ESCIF), with the support of the Swiss Paraplegic Foundation (SPF) and German Spinal Injuries Association (FGQ), are running a safe-house for refugees with disabilities from Ukraine. Our main focus is on people with a paraplegia, who need vital support in dealing with this disability, and in many cases medical, nursing and therapeutic support.

The safe-house is located approx. 30 km from the Ukrainian border in the Polish town of Cyców and offers accommodation for people with a chronic Spinal Cord Injury and accompanying persons. The facility is organized by ESCIF with logistical and financial support from the Swiss Paraplegic Foundation (SPF) and the German Spinal Injuries Association (FGQ). It serves as a stopover before onward transport to other European countries is organised. After initial care, the refugees with disabilities are transported to safe locations with the support of a network of European aid organisations.

ESCIF SAFE-HOUSE POLAND in Cyców near Chelm





Main aims of the SAFE-HOUSE

- Give wheelchair users – with a focus on SCI – and their families a place to go and take a 3-10 day rest before they are transferred to their final destination.
- First assessment by specialized personnel which is able to address minor medical needs.
- Search for suitable accommodation and co-ordination of onward transport by ESCIF, SPS and FGQ networks.
- Care of individuals tested positive for the coronavirus until they are cleared for further transport.

The safe-house offers assistance and information and refers to specialized SCI centers if necessary.

Further information is available from the FGQ office.



How can I help?

Donations account



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»» Please support this crucial project!

The cost for the aid project is estimated at 284,000 Euro for the projected period of six months. 175,000 Euro have been donated so far. A donation of 60 Euro already covers the pro-rata fuel costs for the transport of one person from Poland to Germany, 115 Euros covers the average monthly need for medical aids for a Spinal Cord Injured person in Ukraine. Ukrainian SCI Relief is an aid project fully organized by volunteers. 100% of your donations go towards the expenses of the safe house and transports, there is zero overhead or administrative cost.

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