

# Ukraine - Dnipropetrovs'k, Nikipol Guest House



## **Present Realities:**

The Dnipropetrovs'k (region/state) of Ukraine has a population of 3.5 million people. The region is located east of the Ukrainian capital of Kiev in the central part of the country.

This region was especially hard hit by the collapse of the Soviet Union. Many of the heavy industries and factories found themselves ill equipped to compete in a world economy. The huge state run farms and factories have failed to produce as equipment and technology have fallen into serious disrepair.

**Widows:** Since 1990 male deaths have exceeded females by a ratio of 6:1. Not only are more men dying but they are dying younger than woman an average of 15 to 20 years. This has caused a huge social problem for the country which only provides widows an average of \$60 USD for a pension which has caused widows to search for additional income elsewhere while living in sub standard living conditions.

Projects in assisting widows include: Home renovations, food banquets, food hampers, hygiene hampers, hydro payments, prescription medication, and micro financing: Greenhouse

**Orphans:** Working with orphans in the Ukraine has proved to be a delicate and difficult project to do as all orphanages are run by the state. This has caused team involvement to be minimal and have been limited to providing clothing, toys, hygiene & school supplies. The current orphan situation in the Ukraine is much larger and really requires opportunities for orphans to learn applicable skills for when they have to leave at the age of 16. HFL has been researching opportunities for Churches to be involved in a larger sustaining capacity for orphans in the Ukraine (see Marinipol project proposal)

Current projects assisting orphans include: Clothing, toys, hygiene supplies, and school supplies in various state run orphanages.

- 10% commit suicide
- 40% go to prison
- 40% have mental problems
- only 10% more or less can adopt to life

## **Plan of Action:**

April 2006 the plan of purchasing a guest house was put into motion. Due to the lack of accommodations combined with the large interests from Churches, facilitating teams on projects located in the Dnepropetrovsk region has been limited. Working alongside our local partner who is a Baptist pastor overseeing 10 churches in his region it became evident that in order for more North American Churches to implement their orphan & widow projects a large home would be required to accommodate them. The home will accommodate 15 to 20 people and be used by our local partner.

Guesthouse will contain:

- 5 bedrooms
- 1 Office
- 1 kitchen
- 1 living room
- 2 ½ bathrooms

2 local business men, and 2 Churches contributed financially to have the initial purchase of a home along with some renovations while our local partner would sell their home and use the money to complete the necessary renovations. Since April, 2 major roadblocks have delayed the progress of the guesthouse.

1. Local partner's home has not been sold
2. Inflation has driven up building materials (on average 110%) which changed the initial projected budget from \$50,000 USD to \$84,500 USD (a total of \$45,000 USD has been raised)

*\* Note: Once local partners home has been sold, that money will be invested into the guest house which will give them 51% of the market value of the home. Previous money donated for guest house would then be used for other projects in the Ukraine.*

**Projected Costs:**

<b>Project Components</b>	<b>Projected Budget 2006</b>	<b>Projected Budget 2007</b>	<b>Funds Donated</b>	<b>Funds Required</b>
Guest House	\$50,000	\$84,500	\$45,000	\$39,500 USD

**Positive Benefit:**

The benefit is providing a guest home to accommodate the increasing amount of interest from North American Churches which will result in more widows & orphans being cared for in the Ukraine.

**Persons Responsible for the Project:**

The staff of Hungry for Life, under the leadership of the Board of Directors, are responsible for the project.

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\* Prices may fluctuate based on changes in currency exchange rates.



# Ukraine - Guest House Renovations



## Stats 2006

Life Expectancy for Men

- 65 years

Life Expectancy for Women

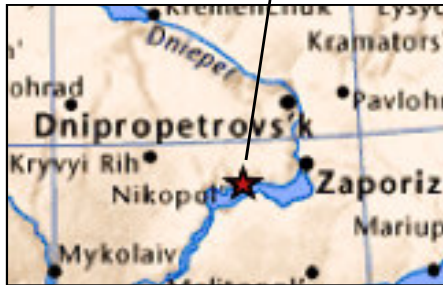
- 76 years

Avg years a women will be widowed

- 15 to 20 years

## Dnipropetrovs'k, Nikopol Ukraine

Due to North American Churches involvement with providing care for widows, orphans, and poor families, Hungry for Life recognized the need to accommodate the increased demand of Church teams traveling to the Dnipropetrovs'k Region of the Ukraine.



*Nikopol Located 500 klm south east of Kiev*

## Guest House

In the Spring of 2006, Hungry for Life and our International Partner, (Pastor John & Nadia Bokoch) purchased an unfinished 4 story house to be used hosting international teams in addition to increasing our local partners ministry capacity.

With an increase in teams providing aid will benefit those who are unable to care for themselves such as widows & orphans.

## Highlights of aid provided since 2004

- Facilitated 5 teams
- Distributed 2,385 food hampers (food for 1 person for 1 month)
- Distributed 1,575 hygiene hampers
- Held 23 banquets
- Provided financial assistance for 196 widows (hydro bills)
- Shipped & distributed 11,505 lbs of clothing
- Sent 320 children to summer camp
- Provided 355 people with prescription medication



## Renovations Required to Complete Guest Home

Furnishing Entire Guest House	Labor for renovations
Flooring	Outside House
Kitchen	Yard
Appliances	

