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JOHNSON CITY, TN - A brand new non-profit agency, Uniting for Artem Nataliia and Ukraine (UforANU), is giving Americans first hand opportunities to assist Ukrainians who are suffering from war. The agency is partnering with Ukranian non-profit Voices of Children to raise money for humanitarian aid. UforANU was recently granted tax-exempt, 501(c)(3) status and is in their second month of fundraising for the benefit of Voices of Children.

UforANU is currently hosting a gift card fundraiser to raise funds for Ukraine. The fundraiser is 100% online. More information at UforANU.com/rr

"No child should be left alone with the trauma of war," is the mission theme of Voices of Children. Because children are the most vulnerable and in need of protection, UforANU has chosen Voices of Children as their first beneficiary.

Based in Kyiv, Voices of Children was established in 2019 to provide psychological and psychosocial support to Ukrainian children affected by war. UforANU was formed by East Tennessee resident Katie Rios as an adjunct mission for Americans to be united in purpose and community in support of Ukraine and its people.

"So many times, I hear people say it's terrible what is happening and apologizing to my Ukranian friend Nataliia about what is happening in her country. We are providing a way for people to do more than apologize. We are giving people a way to donate and advocate for those who are suffering, both in Ukraine and refugees in the US," said Rios.

Every two months UforANU will donate funds to an organization that is provides humanitarian aid to Ukraine and/or to refugees in the US. They plan to host at least one fundraiser or charity event every two months.

Rios began sponsoring two Ukranians through the Uniting for Ukraine (U4U) government initiative. Rios first met her now friend and roommate, Nataliia Ivanova, on December 23, 2022 through the Welcome US website and in March of this year, Ivanova began living in the tri-cities with Rios.

UforANU is on all social media sites: Facebook, TikTok, and Twitter as UforANU and Instagram as U4ANU. For anyone wanting to make a difference in the Ukrainians lives, fundraising campaigns, updated information and stories are on social media or their website, uforanu.com.

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