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Connecting Ukrainians around the world!

For over four decades, the Ukrainian World Congress (UWC) has traditionally launched its annual fundraising campaign in the month of May. The May Campaign replenishes operating funds ensuring the continuity of the UWC's work on behalf of Ukrainians around the world.

The UWC is an international coordinating body for Ukrainian communities in the diaspora representing the interests of over twenty (20) million Ukrainians with member organizations in over thirty (30) countries. Founded in 1967, the UWC was recognized in 2003 as a non-governmental organization by the United Nations Economic and Social Council.

The UWC continually and forcefully defends the interests of Ukrainians around the world, contributes to the development and strengthening of Ukrainian community life and works toward the consolidation of Ukraine's independence and the fostering of mutually beneficial relations with it.

The commemoration of the 75th anniversary of the Holodomor, organized jointly by Ukraine and the UWC in cooperation with Ukrainian communities in 32 countries, was an example of what we can accomplish when we join our forces.

Today, we face many challenges, and our success is dependent on both your participation and financial support.

- The IX World Congress of Ukrainians, held in Kyiv in August 2008, laid the foundation for a five-year plan whose focus, for the next stage of our work, is to develop partnerships among Ukrainian communities around the world and between Ukraine and the diaspora.
- Thirteen (13) councils and committees have been established whose mandates are to address issues that define Ukrainian community life. These include human and civil rights, education, social services, participation in the UN, recognition of the 1932-33 Holodomor as an act of genocide, youth, assistance to Ukrainians abroad, scholarly matters, culture, combating human trafficking, media, sport and the cooperative movement.
- A priority for the UWC is to deepen our understanding of Ukrainian communities around the world and strengthen our ties. We will continue to embrace new technologies and innovations with the goal of improving communication. Personal contacts will also be fostered as UWC Executive Committee members visit communities in various countries around the world.
- As a coordinating body which speaks on behalf of Ukrainians worldwide, the UWC closely follows world events and reacts when the lives of Ukrainians are affected.
- In November 2008, a UWC delegation concluded a series of working meetings with the President, Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine during which issues of mutual interest were discussed. The parties settled on the most effective forms of communication and agreed that future cooperation on these issues would evolve through the conclusion of memoranda of understanding.
- The UWC developed a vision on: the defence of national minority rights; the further development of the Ukrainian language in Ukraine and the diaspora; the commemoration of the victims of the 1932-33 Holodomor and international recognition thereof as an act of genocide; the securing of the inviolability of Ukraine's borders and its accession to the European Union and NATO; and the enhancement of Ukraine's image.

This page only provides an overview of the UWC's ongoing activities. More information is available in our newsletters, monthly communiqués, web site www.ukrainianworldcongress.org and media releases.

The UWC has set goals and objectives which necessitate your dedicated volunteerism and considerable financial assistance. We are extremely grateful to all individuals who take an interest in the work of the UWC and financially support its projects and activities. Special mention goes to our long-standing and steadfast sponsors including in particular our Ukrainian credit unions located throughout the United States and Canada.

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