Winterization of Collective Centers (CC) for supporting IDPs

UKRAINE
Winter 2014-2015
The context

Ukraine
- 1 year conflict
- 1,2 millions IDPs
- Lack of preparedness

the winter came...
the people scape as they can with whatever they can they either flee to other country as refugees or remain in Ukraine as IDPs
Where do IDPs go?

If they have savings or find a job:
- They buy or rent an apartment in safe areas.

If they don’t have savings or don’t find a job, but they have relatives or friends:
- They stay with their relatives or friends.

If they don’t have savings, don’t find a job and they don’t have neither relatives nor friends:
- The most extremely vulnerable go to a collective center if host community gets exhausted.
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they set up plastics and tape to avoid air linkages

the lack of ventilation causes mold and mildew creation and expansion

extremely dangerous in a country affected by TB epidemic
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fire can occur due to the extra electric load as the premisses were not planned to be a residence
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before the construction of these wells dirty waters were spread out in the parcel, close to the kids playground
Gender approach

Toilets and showers are planned separately for women and men following humanitarian standards in order to prevent harassment.
What about the children

they are abandoned in their needs, with no place to study, play, socialize and feel safe

in each CC a safe space for children must be reserved
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they also claim something when the adults receive the NFIs, so don’t forget them and give them some toys
Extra support: NFIs

- hygiene kits
- kitchen kits
- cleaning kits
- bed linen kits
- furniture
- major appliances: wash machine, cooking stoves...
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an opportunity to get back to certain normality
Field contact
for doubts, concerns, suggestions

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Thanks for your attention

**Conclusion:** To understand WINTERIZATION solution as a wide range of actions. The same that SHELTER is not only setting up tents but also finding apartments or supporting with cash the host communities.

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