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To honor and commemorate victims and to educate future generations

## 2020 @ a Glance

A very challenging year

COVID forced everybody to adjust to a new norm – working remotely. But, for us the physical distance between our volunteer-team in the US and volunteer-team in Ukraine was always there. We are used to working over different time zones, and this year just added new tools like Zoom into our project execution model. We were able to successfully complete all our projects. Where we felt the biggest negative impact is our fundraising activities. We are normally relying on live events. In 2020 we could only do emails and phone calls, and it was not sufficient.

## #NeverAgain

Holocaust Remembrance



The International Holocaust Remembrance Day, Yom HaShoah, Veterans Day, Babin Yar are the key days around which we try to schedule our big events. This year, only January 27<sup>th</sup> went without any COVID restrictions, and we organized “We Remember” events in Kharkiv, Fastiv, Mirgorod, Kremenchyk and Khorol.

Multiple other events were also organized through the year, but mostly over Zoom in the US, or with restrictions on gatherings, in Ukraine, so only 10-12 persons could attend.



## Key Achievement

A School Museum per year




Creating Holocaust museums in Ukraine’s public schools became our signature project; and we are trying to open at least one museum every year. This year we opened a museum in Fastov, Ukraine. The first phase was opened two years ago as a permanent exhibition inside the school #4. Last year the school received a small grant from the town’s administration and restored a small stand-alone building on the school’s grounds. This year we were able to complete the rehab of the building, expand our Holocaust expositions and move it into it’s permanent home...

## School Trips

With COVID-19 Challenges

With and without masks, with and without restrictions on gatherings, we continued organizing daily trips to killing sites, Holocaust memorials and museums. As much as we could, on-going trips were conducted in Kharkiv, Mirgorod and Khorol, with several excursions in Fastiv and Lubny.



Book drive  is a new pilot program that we started this year, and we plan to expand it in the future.

2020 HIGHLIGHTS