



# 1TREELLION GLOBAL FUND

## RESTORATION TO A WAR-TORN LAND & HOPE TO A WAR-WEARY PEOPLE

**This Autumn, 1treellion is planting 20,000 trees with a local partner, an effort to begin restoration to a devastated landscape and provide much-needed jobs for the Ukrainian people. Are you in?**

The people of Ukraine are paying a heavy price with this war, and it is heartbreaking seeing the suffering of men, women, and children. The destruction of the landscape and natural ecosystems is also devastating. During COP27, President Zelensky shared that the war in Ukraine has destroyed 5 million acres of forest. It takes years to generate a forest. The people of Ukraine asked for our help and we are answering this call.

If there is one thing 1treellion can help with, it is supporting the communities that rely on trees for their living, and healing the land through the planting of trees.

It is a dark Winter for Ukrainians, yet soon, we can begin to rebuild and restore.

Environmental damage like splintered trees and polluted waterways may seem like a secondary concern, given the atrocities against people documented in places like Bucha and Mariupol, and the violence currently being inflicted by Russia on residents in Ukraine's east.

The war's effects on the environment will be felt long after the shells have stopped exploding, long after the bullets and gunfire have ceased.

This is Bakhmut in the Donetsk region, this photo was shared with 1treellion by a local activist





## Forest Restoration

1treellion aims to plant 20,000 trees across 10 hectares of the [REDACTED] region of Ukraine. In collaboration with our local partner, this project is serving both place and people, by providing planting jobs to the local community.

The planting will begin by Autumn of 2023, which is the optimal time to plant. It will take approximately 3 weeks to plant 10 hectares. Providing jobs for them for 6 years.

We will be restoring the region with native and biodiverse trees. Species include birch, oak, pine, aspen, larch, and spruce. All of which are native to this region.

## How Can We Do It When the War is Still Going On?

There have been no direct missile strikes in the region we are supporting. Yet, their facilities were impacted heavily. No electricity is now provided to this village, and the roads are heavily damaged. With no electricity, all work on the restoration of the region has been suspended.

Damaged roads and no electricity makes restoration challenging but not impossible. There are no destroyed buildings, which is why we can start to plant trees.

Response from our local partners, when asked why this act of tree planting is so important, and why should we prioritize it now, this is what they've answered:

"This topic [of tree planting and forest restoration] wasn't even considered a priority before...since the war, it's been overshadowed. Now it's not just an environmental issue, but also the issue of people's ability to earn a salary and feed their children.

Many villagers have no other jobs but to work in the forests."

Providing jobs - this project will provide 21 local foresters and villagers, 10 of them women, jobs.

The population in this area as last counted pre-war is almost 7,000 people. Starting this work may affect them all.



Photo of our local partners and the planting team

## The Project's Needs

We need \$100,000 for this project to happen.

There are others who've answered the immediate call (medicine, supplies, etc.). We are here for their future. Supporting the Ukrainians in restoring this magnificent land.

Your donation will be going towards this project, and the people of Ukraine.

## About 1treellion

1treellion Global Funds (aka 1treellion) is a non-profit 501(c) (3) project committed to fund tree planting. We are a 100% volunteer-based organization and a member of Catalyst 2030, a global movement of social entrepreneurs and social innovators with a common goal to attain Sustainable Development Goals by 2030. Our mission is to collectively raise enough funding to make a meaningful global impact and bring communities together to mitigate climate change by planting one trillion trees.



We have successfully planted and supported 12 communities in 10 countries globally.

The average survival rate of the trees in 1treellion's project stands at 80% vs the global average of 19%. 1treellion has directly involved 60,000 people and indirectly impacted hundreds of thousands if not more. To learn more of our impact please refer to [1treellion.org](https://1treellion.org)