Shropshire Supports Refugees (SSR) provides daily support for Ukrainians in settling into the new area, improving their wellbeing, and fulfilling their goals. Among this support (from English classes to employment support, from interpreting/translating to housing support and many more), SSR also provides free tickets and therapy sessions, organises and runs activities & events.

Free sessions, events and activities

Over the last two weeks SSR hosted six sessions of Swedish massage, an art class for children, mental and emotional support counselling as well as expert guidance, the rehearsal of the Ukrainian ensemble "Echoes of Ukraine", "We Can" boxing sessions, yoga session for adults & yoga for children aged 4–15, and official opening of the art exhibition "Our Home" at the Theatre Severn.

SSR has also offered free tickets to visit 7 beautiful private gardens all around Shropshire (from 09/06/24 to 12/10/24) and bought tickets for Ukrainian families to visit RAF Cosford Air Show (09/06/24).

Refugee Week Events

Refugee Week is the world's largest arts & culture festival celebrating the contributions, creativity and resilience of refugees and people seeking sanctuary. Join us from June 17th to 23rd for a community-powered week: "Our Home" art exhibition, Ukrainian & Bulgarian Day, and Celebration of Cultures.

SSR officially opened the fabulous art exhibition for Refugee Week on the 8th of June at the Theatre Severn in Shrewsbury. "Our Home" (08/06/24-24/06/24) is a beautiful expression of welcome, compassion, and understanding. Everyone is welcome!

22/06/24, 1:30-3:30 pm, SSR will host "Ukrainian & Bulgarian Day" for children of both cohorts. Printing & Drawing Workshop, sweets, drinks and a lot of fun are waiting for children. Children will create unique pictures of themselves or their loved ones (pick & mix portraits) by using rubber stamps, colourful inks and pens.

23/06/24, 10 am - 1 pm, SSR will be running a "Celebration of Cultures" at The Hive. It'll be a morning of celebration of cultures with exciting activities, entertainment, international food sharing, and a lot of fun! SSR invites everyone to come along, bring a food-sharing dish (optional) and join in this celebration of people!

SSR is full of ideas, plans and goals, and looks forward to showcasing them this summer.