

National Youth Council of Ukraine

Annual Report - 2019



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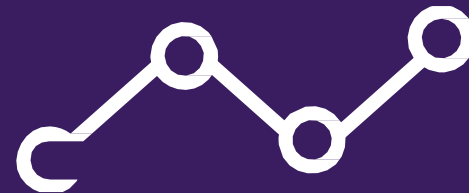
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NYCU - is a unique platform of youth organizations in Ukraine

The platform is established to promote and protect youth rights across Ukraine and internationally.



18
Regional
Branches



150
member
organizations
across Ukraine



10 million
beneficiaries

Objectives of NYCU

- to represent and defend the civil, political, social and economic rights of Ukrainian youth;
 - to increase opportunities for personal development and active participation of young people in social and political life;
 - to develop democratic youth organizations of Ukraine to protect and represent the interests of youth at the regional national and international levels.
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National Youth Council of Ukraine was established in 2015 by leading national and international youth organizations

In the first stage of its existence, NYCU included only All-Ukrainian youth organizations, but during the first year of the platform, it became apparent that in order to represent the interests of young people across Ukraine, it was necessary to unite organizations in different regions. Thus began the creation of the NYCU Regional Branches network, which is still ongoing.

During the first years of its work, the National Youth Council of Ukraine has been recognized nationally and internationally. Thus, in November 2016 NMRU becomes a member of the European Youth Forum, and in February 2018 receives the status of National Coordinator of the Eurodesk Information Platform in Ukraine.

02/2015	2015	11/2016	02/2018	09/2018	11/2019
Establishment of the National Youth Council of Ukraine	Establishment of the NYCU's Regional Branches	Membership in the European Youth Forum	Obtaining the status of Eurodesk National Coordinator	Development and presentation of effective models of youth participation at different levels	Creation of a new pillar of organizations working with children and youth



General Assembly of the National Youth Council of Ukraine 2019

Kyiv
2-3 November, 2019



Youth non-governmental organizations

Observers

30% of votes

45% of votes

20% of votes

5% of votes

NYCU Regional
Branches (RB)

All-Ukrainian
Youth NGOs

Youth organizations of
political parties
and political orientation

Organizations
working with
children and youth

RB
secretariat

General Assembly

NYCU Statute

NYCU Positions

NYCU Policy Papers

Secretary
General

Chairperson
+
NYCU Board

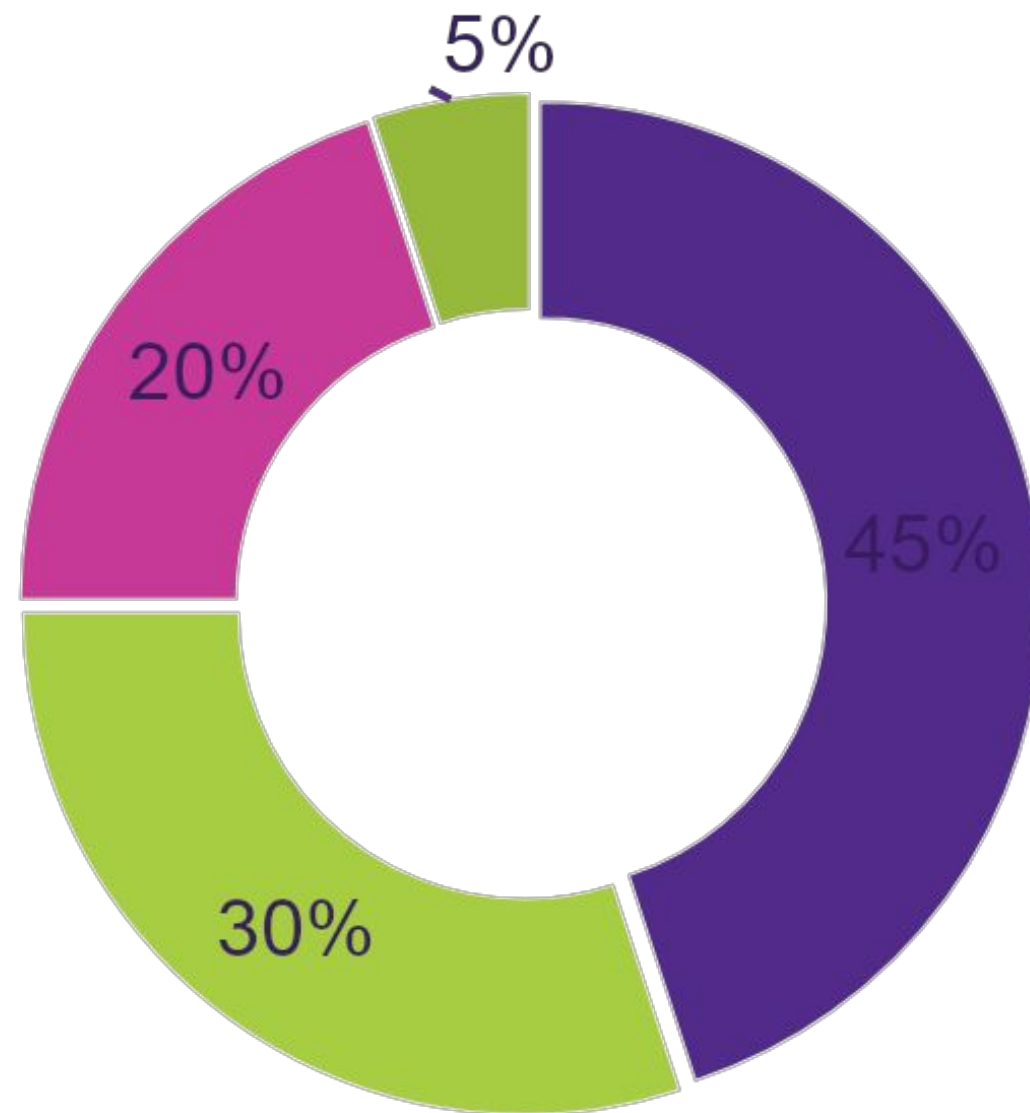
NYCU Membership
Commision

Control and Audit
Commission

Secretariat

Structure of the National Youth Council of Ukraine

National Youth Council of Ukraine consists of 4 Pillars of organizations:



- All-Ukrainian Youth Organizations (45% votes)
- Regional Branches of NYCU (30% votes), which includes representatives of regional and local youth NGOs
- (20% votes)
- Organizations working with children and youth (5% votes)

Member organizations of NYCU



Meet the newly elected NYCU team!



Chairperson



Secretary
General



Board members



Policy papers of NYCU

1. **“Youth participation in the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals in Ukraine”**
2. **“Youth and Culture”**
3. **“Introduction of Sexual Education in Ukraine”**
4. **“Youth Social Guarantees”**
5. **“Protection of the Discriminated Youth Groups Rights”**
6. **“Youth and Ecology”**
7. **“Gender equality - youth perspective”**
8. **“Lowering the election age to 16” (Vote at 16)**
9. **“Youth, Peace and Security”**
10. **“Democracy for Youth Political Organizations”**



145 member NGOs

The National Youth Council of Ukraine is the public platform that unites the largest number of public youth organisations in Ukraine. In 2019, the number of NYCU membership reached a record high of 145 NGOs.

54 new NGOs joined NYCU in 2019

In 2019, NYCU has expanded significantly, more than 50 organisations have joined to the platform, including: STAN art group, Roma culture advocacy agency (ARCA), ISIC Ukraine Studentland, Green Youth of Ukraine, Teplytsia, Human Library Kharkiv, Center for Democratic Development "Synergy", Foundation for Active Youth of Ukraine, Minimalism and Culture, Smart Media.

A young woman with long blonde hair is seated at a table, looking towards the left. She is wearing a dark sweater. In the background, other people are visible, some looking at a screen. The entire image has a purple overlay.

17 Regional Branches

During 2019, the National Youth Council of Ukraine worked on the development of its regional network in 17 regions. Regional branches were established in Donetsk, Cherkasy, Kirovograd, Mykolaiv, Kharkiv, Zaporizhzhia, Khmelnytskyi regions.

109 youth activities and events

During 2019, representatives of the National Youth Council of Ukraine organized and participated in more than 109 large-scale events related to youth participation, youth rights and youth policy development in Ukraine.



5 million UAH

National Youth Council of Ukraine has spent on its activities since the beginning of 2019

As part of the funding of various projects, NYCU has received over UAH 2.6 million UAH from its partners. Among NYCU's donors:

- Deutsch-Russischer Austausch - DRA
- Dansk Ungdoms Fællesråd - DUF
- Deutscher Bundesjugendring - DBJR
- UNICEF

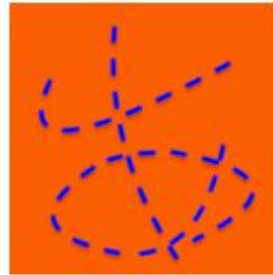
472 thousand UAH and over 45 advocacy campaigns of different levels

NYCU distributed as the support for the advocacy campaigns to its member organisations

During 2019, representatives of the National Youth Council of Ukraine organized several competitions for the best advocacy campaigns. More than 200 members from various NGOs were involved in the campaigns. All campaigns were based on the 14 points of the Recommendations to the Strategy of the State Youth Policy 2030 developed by NYCU.



Advocacy campaigns of MOs





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Important events of 2019

21 January

Open discussion of the Action plan 2019 within the framework program of cooperation between Ukraine and the Council of Europe in the youth field for the years 2016-2020

1 February

Winners of the first round of the Advocacy campaigns competition "Youth Impact" were announced

8-9 February

Discussions of the Recommendations to the Strategy of the State Youth Policy 2030 has started

7 February

Four years have passed since the National Youth Council of Ukraine was established.

25 March

Vote! Campaign on the involvement of young people in the presidential and parliamentary elections

29 March

In Kyiv, during the press conference NYCU presented the Recommendations for the Youth Policy Strategy 2030.

June

Debates "Youth candidates"/Start of the second wave of Vote! campaign

6 August

Memorandum of Understanding and Cooperation on SDGs with DUF was signed.

2-3 November

The General Assembly of the National Youth Council of Ukraine in Kyiv was held.



Advocacy

In 2019, NYCU enhanced its advocacy efforts to protect and promote the rights of Ukrainian youth.

- Advocacy Campaigns Competition "Youth Impact" was launched by the National Youth Council of Ukraine. There have been two waves of youth advocacy campaigns;
- Advocacy on the Recommendations to the Strategy of the State Youth Policy 2030 was developed and conducted;
- Vote! Campaign on the involvement of young people in the presidential and parliamentary elections was held.

14 Recommendations

1. youth participation in decision-making processes;
2. engagement of young people in the political process;
3. security and ecology;
4. formal and informal education;
5. gender equality;
6. inclusion and human rights;
7. youth health;
8. economic integration of youth: entrepreneurship and employment;
9. access to the information;
10. increasing of youth mobility and cultural diplomacy;
11. youth work and volunteering;
12. youth housing and infrastructure;
13. youth policy in the frame of decentralization;
14. culture and youth.

Promotion and implementation of NYCU policy papers

Presentation at the events

The members of the NYCU Board and Secretariat presented policy papers at their own events and events, where they were invited as guest speakers.

Appeals to the official institutions

Taking into account requirements of the policy papers and the Recommendations to the Strategy of the State Youth Policy 2030, NYCU addressed official letters to Ukrainian ministries, international organizations and European institutions

Working groups

Based on the topics of the policy papers, NYCU has started to form working groups to develop new opportunities for advocacy in the youth field.

Cooperation with the international partners

NYCU has engaged international experts, youth council representatives and scholars in finding new ways of implementing policy documents in Ukraine.



Institutional development

Formation of the Secretariat Team

The Secretariat Team continued its ongoing work in 2019. The Secretariat of the National Youth Council of Ukraine provided all the necessary institutional support the NYCU's member organisations and Regional branches.

Development of the communication with member NGOs

During 2019, the NYCU team worked to establish communication with representatives of member organisations. NYCU representatives attended the events of member NGOs, provided them with information support, promoted the activities of organizations

Promoting of NYCU activities

NYCU represented its member organisations at youth events starting from music festivals to school forums

Regional development



Development of the regional branch

During the year, NYCU supported the work of 17 Regional branches. By 2023, the National Youth Council of Ukraine plans to launch 24 Regional branches.

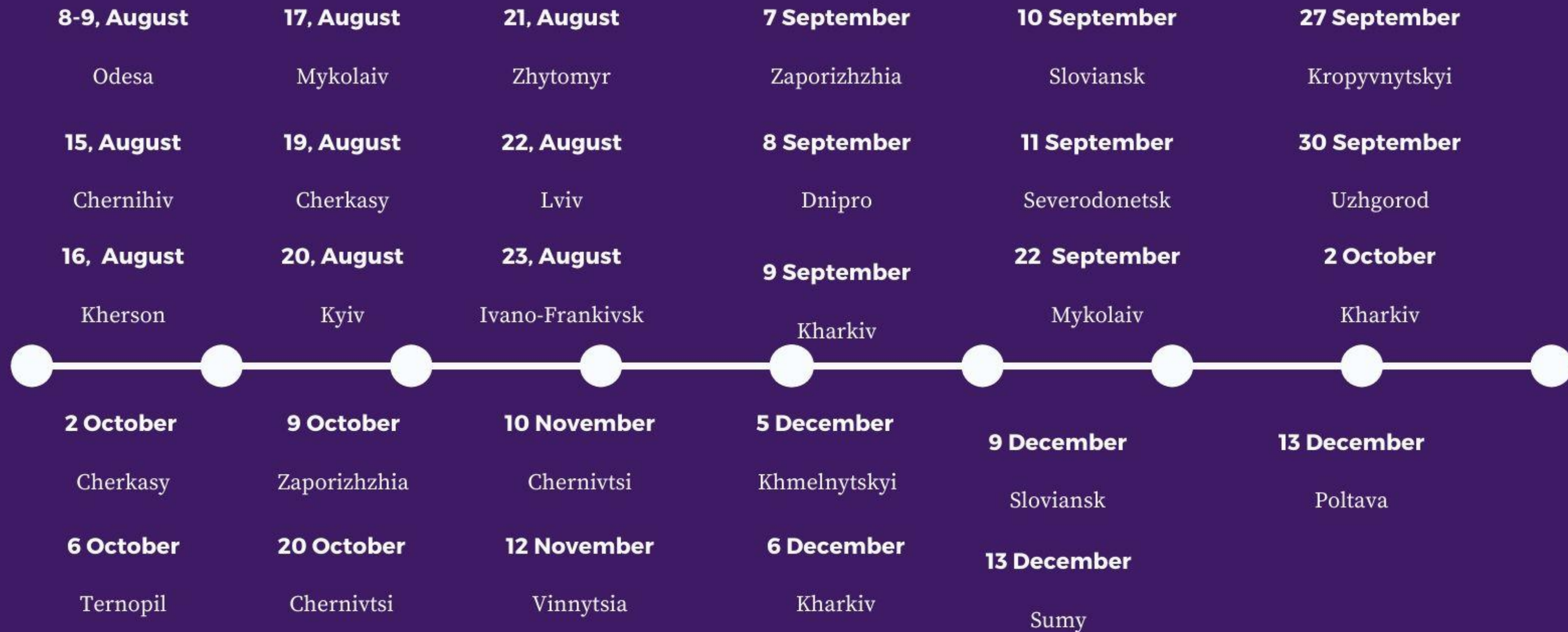
Discussions of the Recommendations to the State Youth Policy 2030

National Youth Council of Ukraine discussed the models of youth participation in decision-making in Luhansk and Donetsk regions.

Involvement of young people from different regions in NYCU's activities

National Youth Council of Ukraine worked to involve as many young people from different regions as possible in events organised by NYCU.

24 Regional Advocacy Workshops



Expansion of international cooperation



In 2019 NYCU started cooperation with DUF and YETT

National Youth Councils of Ukraine, Denmark and Zimbabwe have started working together to implement the UN Sustainable Development Goals

NYCU expanded and strengthened its partnership within:

NYCU participated in the General Assembly of the National Youth Council of Germany (DBJR), which also celebrated the 70th anniversary of the platform. An agreement was reached on the possibility of holding a meeting between Volodymyr Borodianskyi, Minister of Culture, Youth and Sports of Ukraine and Lisa Mayer, Chairwoman of the National Youth Council of Germany to discuss cooperation in the youth field.

NYCU conducted international exchanges and events involving young people:

Lithuania, Germany, Poland, Norway, Denmark.

Eurodesk Ukraine



In 2019 were opened the first info-points of Eurodesk in Ukraine

The first info-point was opened at the beginning of the year in Kramatorsk.

More than 50 multipliers have been trained

More than 50 Eurodesk multipliers were prepared by the National Youth Council of Ukraine as part of a series of training sessions in Kyiv and Donetsk regions.



2732 followers in Facebook page

388 955 people were reached through Facebook

2 national trainings for multipliers

54 participants took part in national trainings

39 multipliers on the Eurodesk map

123 public events, where Eurodesk Ukraine and its opportunities were presented

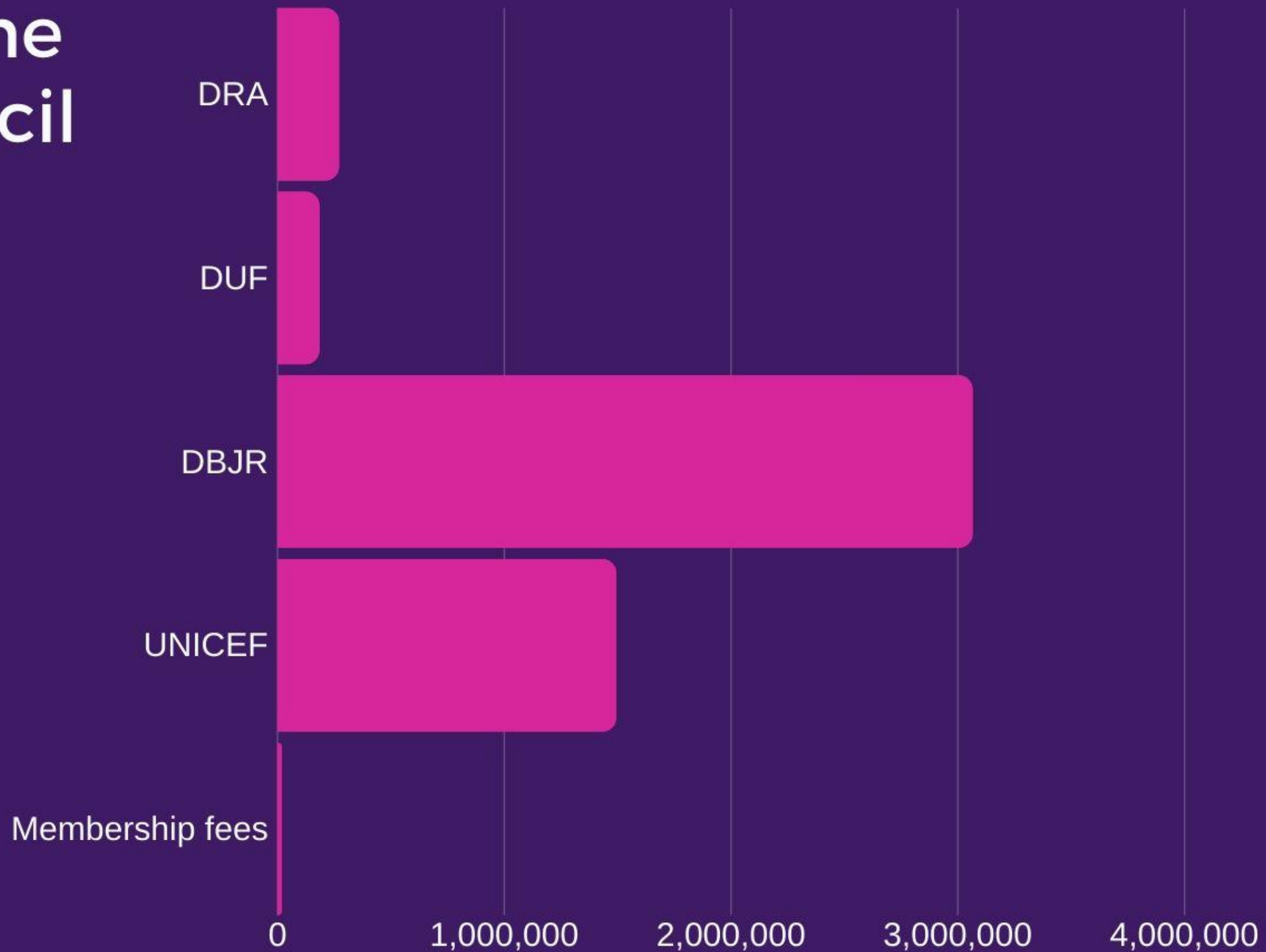
10 events were held within “Time to move” month

22500 youngsters involved in direct activities

Budget is powered by  **NYCUkraine**

Financial Report of the National Youth Council of Ukraine

5 018 912,00 UAH deposited
into the account of NYCU
during the year 2019.



National Youth Council strategic priorities for 2025

- **Institutional and regional development**
- **International representation and cooperation**
- **Communication and advocacy**

Partners



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