

## **Support of Ukraine Humanitarian Efforts Continues *(Interview Transcripts)***

**Chris Manson, Vice President of Government Relations, OSF HealthCare**

“This Trace ambulance is going to be one of five that we are going to ship over in the next week or so. It will head out to the east coast, we will put it on a ship, it will head over to Europe and be taken into Ukraine. In the meantime, there are a couple more ambulances that are about to arrive in Europe.” (:16)

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“In total now, it looks like we are going to have about 12 ambulance that are either in Ukraine or in route. This is one of them. We are really appreciative of Trace Ambulance for the donation. I am also incredibly appreciative of OSF because really, without OSF’s support in the beginning, we wouldn’t be here today. The support that we had with the first donation, getting the Mission Partners there to fill it with supplies, and to have the blessing ceremony really to kick things off I think really set us up for success and kind of laid the foundation for where we are today with this effort.” (:33)

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“We’ve got AED or defibrillators. We’ve got cardiac monitors. We’ve got ventilators. These are all things that are critically needed. It is lifesaving equipment that we might take for granted here in the United States. But in a warzone, moving patients from point A to point B without a ventilator when it’s needed – that’s the difference between life and death.” (:25)

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“I wanted to do it because I wanted to figure out some way that I could possibly provide some tangible help to the people suffering in Ukraine. People I was talking to at OSF, friends, family, and others were very supportive and said it was a great idea and the need was there so we moved forward with it. While the need exists, I will keep looking. If people want to donate, I will keep working with others trying to get aid over there and we will see where we wind up.” (:29)