

## Support Ukraine's War Effort

Resisting a much larger adversary, Ukraine must rely on asymmetric capabilities such as technological superiority. A unique unit within the Armed Forces of Ukraine focuses on applying AI technologies to defense. This is an elite team of professional military officers and former engineers from leading Ukrainian tech startups. Their solutions have already led to many successful operations that you probably read about in the front page news.

The team is now embarking on several new ambitious projects. With the available resources, the Ministry of Defense can fund only a portion of the costs (the required budgets are in the range of hundreds of thousands of dollars per project annually).

In order to complete these projects sooner and bring victory closer, they need support. Please consider contributing to their important work.

For administering such matters, they are partnering with Help the Army of Ukraine, a nonprofit organization that assists military personnel, veterans, medics, etc. It is accessible at <https://www.ukrarmy.org/ways-to-help>. In your communications and donations, please write “artificial intelligence” in the subject line or in an accompanying note.

If you have any questions, please also feel free to contact me directly.

—Sergiy Verstyuk

P.S. Any specifics about this team's work are confidential, but you can get a rough idea of what it might involve from the pieces below.

“London's first defense tech hackathon brings Ukraine war closer to the city's startups”. *TechCrunch*. 28 April 2024.

“How Ukraine is using AI to fight Russia”. *The Economist*. 8 April 2024.

“The war in Ukraine is spurring a revolution in drone warfare using AI”. *The Washington Post*. 26 July 2023.

“As Russia plots its next move, an AI listens to the chatter”. *WIRED*. 4 April 2022.