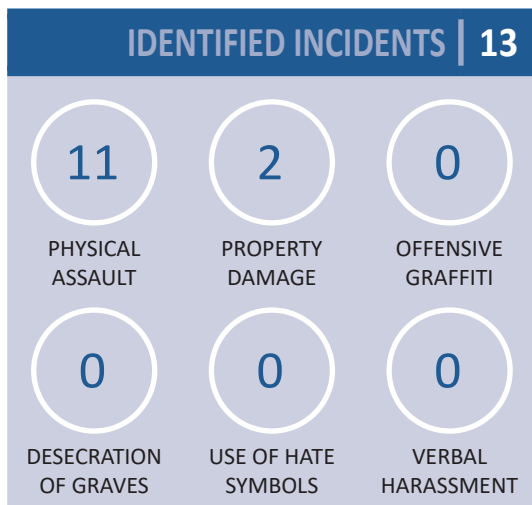


Freedom House and partners, under our joint initiative United to Confront Hate-Motivated Violence in Ukraine, seek to improve Ukraine’s policies to prevent and respond to hate-motivated violence. Our efforts unite communities targeted with hate-motivated violence in a broad coalition aimed at monitoring, documenting, and analyzing hate-motivated crimes and incidents in Ukraine. Equipped with data gathered from both open sources and interviews, we develop and advocate for policies to more effectively tackle hate-motivated violence.

This Hate Monitor is a snapshot of monitoring, documentation, and verification of incidents by a network of 28 monitors across the country. The subject of the monitoring is incidents of hate-motivated violence and violence against events organized to promote the rights of communities targeted with hate-motivated violence.



HATE-MOTIVATED INCIDENTS

Identified Incidents.....	13
Complaints Submitted to Police	4
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Contextual information

During the reporting period, Podil, a central Kyiv neighborhood popular among progressive youth, remained a concentrated area for hate-motivated incidents. On January 23, a student attending the prestigious National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy was attacked by an unidentified group of men. While beating the student, attackers mocked the male student’s long hair and used racial slurs against the student. The following day in Podil, a group of white supremacists attacked LGBT+ activist Dzvenyslava Shcherba of Amnesty International Ukraine. The far-right group Alternativa reportedly conducted several raids in Podil to “counteract alcohol consumption in public spaces.” In all cases, attackers used physical violence and pejorative language against victims.

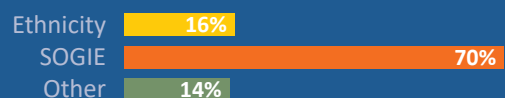
STATISTICS BY REGION



Hate incidents targeting LGBT+ people

This quarter was marked by several attacks against LGBT+ people that were ignored by law enforcement. A notable example occurred in Kyiv’s Podil neighborhood, where a transgender person wearing a rainbow face mask was attacked twice, in late January and early February. In the first case, three men shouted insults at her and sprayed pepper into her eyes. In the second case, a group of people followed the same person to the metro station, threatened and pushed her. A station worker called the police, but they did not register the case.

TARGETED CHARACTERISTIC OF VICTIM



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