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TOP STORY • UKRAINE

Hundreds Leave Oleshky During a Six-Day Truce

People from a Russian-held town reached Ukraine through Belarus on Saturday 31 October.

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Ukraine and Russia have been at war for more than four years. On Saturday 31 October, civilians from Oleshky, a town Russia controls, crossed into Ukraine under a truce, a short agreement to stop fighting. Reports call it the first humanitarian truce of its kind in the war.

The truce covered only the area around Oleshky and lasted six days. The White House said Melania Trump, the wife of the US president, helped to arrange it. About 2,000 people were still in the town when it began.

Four planes carried the evacuees to Gomel, in Belarus. From there they reached the border with Ukraine, in the Chernihiv region. Ukrainian officials said Russia's army provided safe routes and cleared mines from roads near Oleshky. The war went on elsewhere: a drone killed two people in Russia's Bryansk region, its governor said.



People left Oleshky in Ukraine, flew to Belarus, then reached the Ukrainian border.

WHY IT MATTERS

Even in a long war, a short local agreement can give trapped families a way out.

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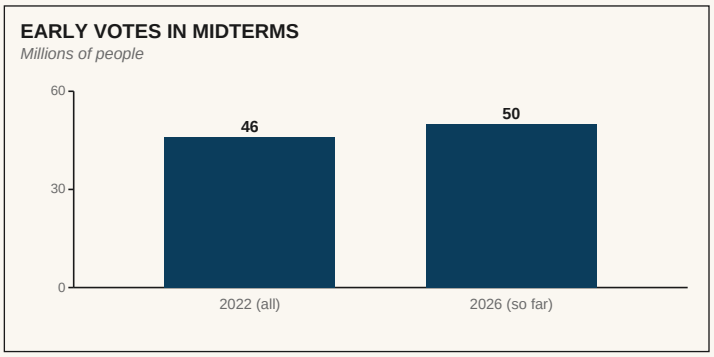
More Than 50 Million Americans Have Voted Early

The midterm elections are on Tuesday 3 November.

US midterm elections are held halfway through a president's term, this year on 3 November. Voters choose members of Congress, which makes the country's laws.

A University of Florida analysis put early votes above 50 million by Sunday 1 November. In the 2022 midterms, 46 million voted early. Texas had more than 7.7 million early voters, a 40.5% turnout rate that beats its 2018 record.

Early turnout does not show who people picked.



The 2026 count is more than 50 million as of 1 November.

WHY IT MATTERS

Congress makes the country's laws, so voting helps decide who writes them.

ONE-LINE BRIEFS

• Iran: The Revolutionary Guard said four oil tankers hit mines in the Strait of Hormuz; this is not independently verified.

• Italy: Tens of thousands joined a 24-hour strike over rising living costs.

TOMORROW'S WATCHLIST

• Whether Ukraine and Russia agree to more missions like this one.

• How many people vote on 3 November in the US.

Keep exploring. See you tomorrow.