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Omaha

2020

The book.

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HELLO

Each year, Ronald McDonald House Charities in Omaha begins with a simple but powerful promise: we will keep families close to the expert care their child needs, and we will do it with the warmth and dignity every family deserves. As we step into 2026, our House is poised to serve more families than ever before, and it is your partnership that turns this promise into reality.

If you've visited us recently, you already know that our House is unlike any other, both in design and in the innovative culture that animates it. And if you haven't, here's what to expect: the Tree House continues to be a sanctuary for wellness and community, giving parents space to breathe while strengthening Nebraska's maternal and fetal health landscape. Our Meals That Heal volunteer teams fill the House with the comfort of home-cooked meals and late-night treats. The sensory room offers parents and children a quiet haven just steps from the bedside. And our program team reaches beyond our walls, delivering meals and moments of kindness to NICU families across the city, often at the exact moment they need it most.

Just as it's braided into our programs that no one worries alone, we find it impossible to provide this interdependent support network alone. And if you're into that kind of thing, there are many ways to make a difference in these spaces. Want to strengthen your team's esprit de corps? Volunteer together to cook in our kitchen. Looking for a night out with purpose? Gather friends to assemble hospitality kits for families navigating long days at area hospitals. Hoping to personally feel the impact you're making? Join one of our special project teams and lend your skills to expand the reach of our programs and events. Your generosity fuels all of it, and that's just the time and talent. Annual giving provides thousands of nights of care. Sponsorships make programs like tutoring, sound baths, birthday parties, healing arts and equine therapy possible. Monthly giving sustains the Tree House café, snacks, meals and wellness resources. Legacy gifts ensure that families will be kept close for generations to come. Every dollar directly supports families facing some of the hardest moments of their lives.

I am profoundly grateful for every person who chooses to stand with us.

Together, we can open more doors, reduce waitlists and make 2026 a year defined by growth, community and unwavering care for every family who needs us.

With gratitude,

Lindsey Rai Kortan, CEO, Ronald McDonald House

Our House

Ronald McDonald House Charities in Omaha (RMHC) provides the essential elements of home.



Our home includes warm beds, hot showers, laundry facilities, transportation to and from the hospital, and regular nutritious meals to sick children and their families utilizing any of the area's world-class medical care providers.

To qualify for a stay through the House Program at Nebraska's only Ronald McDonald House:

- **Family has a child, up to age 21, currently receiving treatment at any medical facility in the area.**
- **Family must live at least 35 miles from the House.**

Our new Day Program located in **The Tree House serves families in our Omaha community** whose children have same day medical appointments. In this haven for healing, families will discover an array of amenities thoughtfully curated to enhance their well-being.



The Lucquete Family
Austin, TX
326 days at the house

"I think we should surround ourselves with people who care... [who] could change the world every day. And we're in a place where you guys are literally doing just that."

Josh Lucquete

Scan to read Neely's story

A FEW OF OUR AMAZING HEALTHCARE PARTNERS:

Nebraska Medicine

Children's Nebraska

Methodist

Boys Town National Research Hospital

Ambassador Health

Madonna Rehabilitation Hospitals

CHI Health

UNMC Munroe-Meyer Institute

QLI Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Specialists

2025 Impact

Thank you for helping make the extraordinary ordinary!

Our community allowed us to serve more families than ever before, families like the Johnsons.



Taylor and Couy with Thayne

8221
Total number of nights provided for families at the House in 2025

1698
Total individuals served

559
Total number of families housed

18 days
Average length of stay

7 years old
Average patient age

58%
Of guests are from Nebraska and Iowa

Stats provided are through 12/31/2025



Thayne at home in Wakefield, NE

"Our anxiety was already so high with the NICU and everything. So, coming here was just kind of like, we could breathe."

Taylor Johnson



The Johnson Family

Couy and Taylor Johnson were 100 miles from their families, facing unthinkable circumstances.

Taylor was just 22 weeks into her pregnancy with twins when severe back pain sent them on a two-state, three-hospital journey that ended in Omaha. Over the next week, the young couple from Wakefield, Nebraska experienced highs and, sadly, lows, beyond anything they could have expected. They were left drained physically, mentally, and emotionally.

Then they settled into their room at Ronald McDonald House Charities in Omaha.

Little by little, they found warm comforts to steady themselves. Hot coffee and a hot meal. Equipment for exercise and shelves to organize. Couy and Taylor both grew up in big families, so being surrounded by others who could relate to their situation, even slightly, was a familiar and much-needed benefit.

The ever-present chaos of the NICU caused significant stress and anxiety, but Taylor says coming to the House allowed her to "shut it all off and take a breath." Even in the midst of everything, Couy says, "You have your own little place to just relax.

"It felt like home."

The Ronald McDonald House was the Johnsons' home-away-from-home for 120 days, and right now, 40 families like them are in need of your support. Please donate today to provide them warmth and comfort in their times of crisis.

Scan to read their full story

Corporate Social Responsibility

In our vibrant community, we foster essential partnerships through Corporate Social Responsibility initiatives at RMHC.

These partnerships extend beyond financial contributions, reflecting a shared dedication to supporting families in need. We're eager to showcase the meaningful impact of these collaborations as local businesses and RMHC come together to offer essential care and comfort during challenging times.



Amanda Brewer and the Cincy Group volunteered through our Meals that Heal program



Interstates Group in the new backyard play area



Van Meter and PenFed Credit Union hosted a food drive



Aviture donated much needed household supplies



Deloitte trimming the gardens

Get involved!

Small Business Impact Strategies:

- Join the League of Extraordinary Givers (LXG)
- Host a company fundraiser benefiting RMHC
- Donate pantry or office items
- Volunteer for cleaning or yard work as a team

Corporate Social Responsibility Impact Strategies:

- Sponsor and attend an RMHC signature event
- Volunteer for Meals That Heal as a team
- Payroll deduction option for employees to benefit RMHC
- Co-author a LinkedIn white paper

In-Kind Support

- Pantry items, household goods, auction and raffle items, professional items and services.

92%

of corporate impact professionals said their organizations are continuing to invest in CSR because it's good for business.



NFM volunteering at The House

How does helping the community help your business?

Bringing in new, young talent to your work force:

"When considering a potential employer, **75% of Gen Zers** say that an organization's community engagement and societal impact is an important factor." (Deloitte, 2024)

Keeping your employees happy and engaged:

"**93% of employees** believe companies must lead with purpose." (HBS)

Driving customer loyalty:

"**87% of US consumers** prefer products from companies that reflect their values, and more than half will pay extra for socially responsible brands." (Benevity)

Let's get creative and support each other in the ways that best align with our goals, values and mission statements.

Contact Emily Mozer at emozer@rmhcomaha.org or 402-346-9377 ext. 125.

All stats based on a Benevity 2022 talent retention survey of over 400 companies.

Wings & Wheels Omaha

title sponsor • $25,000

- Three tables of ten guests
- Opportu
- Br
- presentation
- post for your company
- Event signage

SOLD

premier sponsor • $10,000

- Two tables of ten guests each
- Brand recognition in the following areas:
  - Logo on step and repeat
  - RMHC event web page
  - Dedicated social media post for your company
  - Event signage

vip sponsor • $7,500

- Two tables of ten guests each
- Brand recognition in the following areas:
  - RMHC event web page
  - Dedicated social media post for your company
  - Event signage

wings & wheels sponsor • $3,000

- One table of ten guests
- Brand recognition in the following areas:
  - RMHC event web page
  - Mention in RMHC social media post
  - Event signage

table sponsor • $1,500

- One table of ten guests
- Branding on event signage

individual ticket • $150

Friday, Sept 18, 2026
Signature Aviation
Omaha, NE | 6:00 p.m.

Join us for a one-of-a-kind evening where luxury takes flight. Explore exotic cars and magnificent aircraft in the stunning backdrop of a private airplane hangar. Indulge in gourmet small bites, sip on craft cocktails, enjoy live entertainment, and experience the thrill of an exclusive live auction—all in an unforgettable setting!



Auctioneer and RMHC board member, Camille Metoyer Moten with Emcee Martie Cordaro



Kari Ketcham and Matt Swinton

"We support Wings & Wheels every year because it's an outstanding celebration of the amazing support that Ronald McDonald House Charities in Omaha gives to young families in need. A home-away-from-home makes all the difference when you have a sick child. An important cause that is so easy to support!"

Drs. Ann Anderson-Berry and Tom Berry





Olivia, who spent 44 days at the RMHC House



Dr. Joseph Kam Chiu and Angie Chiu



AD Delgado Designs and Develop Model Management

Scan to register & learn more

Questions, please contact: Emily Swett
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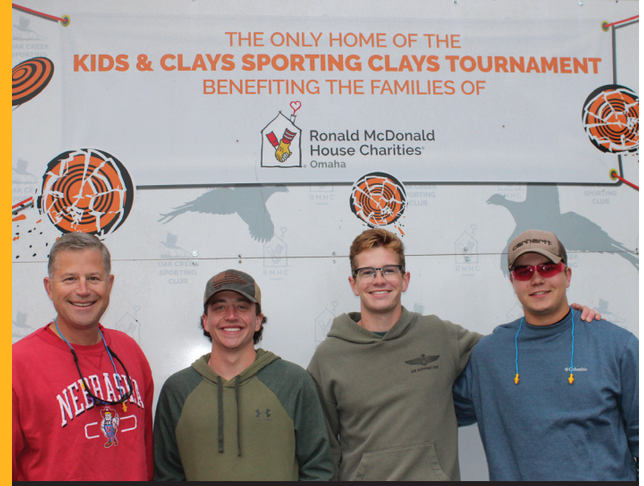
"This is not only a fantastic team-building experience and a lot of fun, but also a meaningful chance to give back and make a positive impact in the community."

Tim McGill, pictured with wife, Jodi





Emily Mozer with McGill Restoration



Barry Knudson and Team



Lindsey Rai Kortan and Terry Kriz



Kari Ketcham with Kiewit

Kids & Clays

Sporting Clays Tournament

title sponsor • $15,000

- Entries for five teams of five shooters each, including the Friday VIP Shoot & on-course side games
- Opportunity to speak during VIP event program
- Brand recognition in the following areas:
  - Full-page ad in event program
  - Mention in event press release
  - RMHC event web page
  - Dedicated social media post for your company
  - Event signage, including station sign

flurry sponsor • $8,000

- Entries for four teams of five shooters each, including the Friday VIP Shoot & on-course side games
- Brand recognition in the following areas:
  - Half-page ad in event program
  - RMHC event web page
  - Dedicated social media post for your company
  - Event signage, including station sign

lunch sponsor • $6,000

- Entries for three teams of five shooters each, including on-course side games
- Brand recognition in the following areas:
  - Half-page ad in event program
  - RMHC event web page
  - Dedicated social media post for your company
  - Event signage, including station sign

gold sponsor • $4,500

- Entries for two teams of five shooters each, including on-course side games
- Brand recognition in the following areas:
  - Listing in event program
  - RMHC event web page
  - Event signage, including station sign

team • $1,500

- Entry for one team of five shooters & on-course games

station sponsor • $500

- One station sign on course

April 17 & 18, 2026
Oak Creek Sporting Club
Brainard, NE

Our Kids & Clays Sporting Clays Tournament is an excellent chance to show appreciation for your clients and employees. Each team competes at ten stations for a total of 100 shots. You can also play entertaining side games, participate in the silent auction, and enjoy a delicious lunch.

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Additional Event Support



Wings & Wheels co-chairs Dr. Max Chiu, Ann Anderson Berry, MD, PHD and Thomas Berry, DDS with Lindsey Rai Kortan



Heads or Tails winner at Wings & Wheels

Raffle & Auction Items

All of our events include a variety of raffle and auction items to help us raise funds for the House. Please contact us if you have an item or service you would like to contribute to an event.



Join the planning committees

Event Volunteers & Committees

Event committees assist with all aspects of planning our signature events. Meetings are scheduled with members' work schedules in mind.

Raise the Paddle Support

An important portion of our program during our annual gala, Raise the Paddle provides opportunities for individuals to give to the House. A matching gift is an exceptional way to encourage all of these event attendees to donate.



Jeff and Keri Francis



UNO Flight Team volunteering at Wings & Wheels



Paradise Photo Booth



Wings & Wheels Raffle



Dr. Max Chiu, event co-chair, brings car to display for Wings & Wheels

Our Programs

Here are a few of our partnerships with local organizations, each specializing in different aspects of well-being.

Simon Says: Live a Better Life

visits RMHC on a monthly basis to throw a birthday party celebrating all the children.

Completely KIDS

offers curriculum-based programming for children who experience large gaps in education due to illness.

Capitol Beauty School & Independent hairstylists

provide haircuts in our House salon for an overall feeling of well-being to our families.

Here For You For Them

equips families with mindful parenting tools, yoga, and breathing exercises to manage stress and build resilience.

Illuminating Hearts Restorative Resonance

uses calming practices and healing vibrations to support mind-body-soul wellness as a gentle form of alternative care.

Horses Help SWI

provides equine-assisted therapeutic services in a safe and inclusive environment for individuals with physical, cognitive, emotional, or social challenges.

scan to learn more

Saving Grace Perishable Food Rescue

collects excess perishable food from local food purveyors to help feed our families.

Project Sunshine

brings Creighton University student volunteers weekly, spreading joy through arts, crafts, and a sense of normalcy.





Capitol Beauty School students provide haircuts for RMHC families



Brody and Adelyn celebrate their birthdays

RMHC is committed

to making a lasting impact on the health outcomes of the families we serve, and at the heart of this endeavor lies collaboration. To provide comprehensive support services, RMHC collaborates with various local organizations, each focusing on unique areas of care.



RMHC field trip to Horses Help



Illuminating Hearts provides sound bath for families in The Tree House



Captiol Beauty School

the tree house
at ronald mcdonald house

@thetreehouse_rmhcomaha



Reading Nook



Exercise Room



Remote Work/Telehealth Office

The Tree House is a place where Omaha families find support through our Day Program.

Open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., the Tree House welcomes anyone with a same-day pediatric or maternal health appointment, along with their families. Guests simply show proof of appointment to enjoy all the amenities The Tree House has to offer.

Amenities — Whether you're making a snack (real or pretend), exercising your body and mind, or fostering friendships and imagination, the Tree House has something for everyone. With a cozy sleeping room, children's play area, gaming corner, reading nook, exercise space, and a remote work/telehealth office, it's a space designed with the whole family in mind.

Option Care Home Health — Option Care provides advanced infusion therapies, expert nursing support, and coordinated transitional care—available by appointment for families in need, right here in the comfort of the Tree House. Children can explore and play while receiving the care they need.

Programming — Follow The Tree House on social media (@thetreehouse_rmhcomaha) for updates on upcoming events and activities your family won't want to miss!

Events — Looking for a unique venue? Host your next team-building session, small meeting, or gathering in a playful setting that supports RMHC families. Contact Alyssa Francis at afrancis@rmhcomaha.org to learn more.

Sponsorship Opportunities — Support our families in meaningful ways by sponsoring a Meals That Heal visit at Methodist Women's Hospital, donating supplies for NICU care packages, or providing healthy snacks for our café.



Kayla and Mollie, age 7, enjoying a visit from the Omaha Public Library for Story Time.



Sarah Brumfield, Patient Resource Coordinator with Charles Drew Health Center, sharing information with our families.



For more information, or to schedule a tour, contact our team:
Maceal Pechacek, Community Engagement Manager, at mpechacek@rmhcomaha.org or 402-346-9377 ext. 123
Alyssa Francis, Day Program Coordinator, at afrancis@rmhcomaha.org or 402-346-9377 ext. 135



Play Room



Living Room



Kitchen and Dining Rooms



Back Yard



Front Yard Play Area



Beauty Salon



Toy Room



Family Guest Room



Sensory Room

Your Gift. Their Safe Haven.

Every room at Ronald McDonald House Charities in Omaha is more than four walls—it's a sanctuary.

It's where exhausted parents finally rest, siblings find a sense of normalcy, and families draw strength from one another while their child receives critical medical care.

Through our Adopt A Room program, donors like you ensure our 40 family guest rooms remain fully stocked, beautifully maintained, and welcoming—365 days a year.

By adopting a room for a year, you provide:

- A private room with Tempur-Pedic beds, a private bathroom, smart TV, lounge chair, desk with chair and a closet.
- Access to 24/7 programs, meals, laundry, playrooms, fitness room, and more.

Adopt A Room.

Be the reason a family feels at home.

Donor Benefits:

- Personalized room signage (in honor or memory of your choosing)
- Recognition in our newsletter (7,500+ reach), website, and Impact Report
- Updates on room usage and family stories
- First right of renewal for the same room

Exclusive Room Sponsor
$10,000
Exclusive naming rights for one guest room for one year.

Shared Room Sponsor
$5,000
Recognition as a co-sponsor of a guest room for one year.

Two Year Exclusive Room Sponsor
$20,000
Exclusive naming rights for one guest room for two years.

Family Wraparound Services
$1,000
Help fund meals, laundry, transportation, therapy, and family support services. Perfect as an add-on sponsorship or a standalone gift.



For Inquiries, please contact
Kari Ketcham, Chief Development Officer, at kketcham@rmhcomaha.org or 402-346-9377 ext. 128.

"Preparing and serving meals at the House was truly an amazing experience. One moment that stood out was seeing the smiles and gratitude from the families we served, which reinforced the importance of community and compassion. I chose to get involved because I believe in the power of a shared meal to bring comfort and connection. This experience not only enriched my life but also strengthened the bonds within our team, reminding us of the profound impact we can have when we come together to support others."

Joni Schultz,
American Family Insurance



American Family Insurance baked fresh, homemade pizzas.



UNL Running Club visited from Lincoln this summer to provide homemade lasagna and brownies.



Elevate Construction helped fill our freezer with enchiladas.



Mutual of Omaha Actuarial Interns

Meals that Heal

Help support the families staying in our House by providing Meals that Heal. Volunteers can prepare dinner or freezer meals in our on-site House kitchen or coordinate a meal delivery, offering comfort and connection during challenging times.

8081 meals served

Statistic from January 1, 2025 to October 31, 2025, including 430 meals at Methodist Women's Hospital

The Coffee Guys visit us once a month for dinner and never fail to lift our families' spirits with their 70's Road Trip playlist while they cook.





Alyssa Franics, Day Program Coordinator, & Heather Mueller, Methodist NICU Nurse, served Meals that Heal at Methodist Women's Hospital.

To sign up to volunteer or ask questions, please contact Rebecca Cervantes at rcervantes@rmhcomaha.org or call 402-346-9377 ext 122.

New this year: Our Meals That Heal Assistant, Steve, is now available to provide hands-on kitchen support, ensuring an even more well-supported experience.

Meals that Heal at Methodist:

Beyond the walls of our House, Meals that Heal at Methodist Women's Hospital continues to provide warm meals and creates additional support networks for our families and those currently receiving care at the NICU at Methodist Women's Hospital. Join us in providing lunch for these families by contacting Alyssa Francis, the Tree House Day Program Coordinator, at **afrancis@rmhcomaha.org.**

Recipes

Chocolate Chip Cookies

Fruitful Feel Group

2 sticks butter (room temperature)
1 cup sugar
1 cup brown sugar
2 eggs
1 tsp vanilla extract
2 ½ cups all-purpose flour
½ tsp coarse or regular salt
1 tsp baking soda
2 cups chocolate chips

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350°F. Line baking sheets with parchment paper.

In a large bowl, cream together butter, sugar, and brown sugar until light and fluffy. Add eggs one at a time, beating well after each addition. Mix in vanilla.

In a separate bowl, whisk together flour, salt, and baking soda. Gradually add dry ingredients to wet ingredients, mix until just combined. Stir in chocolate chips.

Drop dough by rounded teaspoon onto prepared baking sheets.

Bake 8–12 minutes, or until cookies are golden brown.

Cool on the pan for 2–3 minutes before transferring to a wire rack for additional cooling before enjoying!



Giving back never tasted so good!

Enjoy these delicious recipes from Fruitful Feel with RHMC Omaha board member, Ama Bikoko.



Crispy Chickpea Kale Caesar Salad

Fruitful Feel Group

1 head curly kale, stems removed
1 head romaine lettuce, chopped
olive oil (1-2 tbsps to coat chickpeas and 2 tsp to drizzle)
salt & pepper to taste
1-2 avocado, cubed (optional)
1/4 to 1/2 cup of fresh shaved parmesan
caesar dressing to your liking
croutons
3 cans of chickpeas, drained and rinsed

Directions:

Prepare the chickpeas: Preheat oven to 400°F. Pat chickpeas dry, season with olive oil, salt, and pepper (or your favorite spices), and spread evenly on a baking sheet. Bake 20–30 minutes, shaking halfway, until golden and crispy.

Prepare the kale: Remove stems and cut kale into thin strips. Place in a large bowl, drizzle with a little olive oil, sprinkle with salt, and massage with your hands for 2–3 minutes until softened.

Assemble the salad: Add chopped romaine lettuce to the kale. Toss with Caesar dressing until evenly coated.

Add toppings: Gently fold in cubed avocado (if using), crispy chickpeas, croutons, and fresh shaved Parmesan.

Finish & serve: Season with additional salt and pepper to taste. Serve immediately and enjoy!



Young Pop Tab donor with her latest donation



Pop Tab Hero Jake Rivard

POP TABS

Pop tabs may be small in size, but they have a big impact. Your aluminum can tab donations help light the way for families at our House.

1. Collect pop tabs from the top of aluminum cans
2. Bring them to RMHC at 620 S 38th Avenue, Omaha, NE 68105
3. We recycle the tabs to help pay our electrical bill



Meet our POP Star Ambassador
Tabbie Cando

TAB POP FACTS

One pound of tabs is about
1,500 tabs

63,360 tabs
end to end is a MILE...
and a **million** tabs would stretch
16.75 miles!

Collecting tabs also teaches kids about
recycling...
keeping our planet in tip-**pop** shape!

Scan the code to learn more:



Lora Coyne, weekly Pop Tab volunteer

League of Extraordinary Givers

Consider joining the League of Extraordinary Givers (LXG). By establishing a recurring monthly gift, you're giving our families the reliable support they need all year. When faced with extraordinary circumstances, it takes extraordinary givers to make things a little more ordinary.

LXG members donate at various levels to help families in whatever way they can:

$10 per month supports a one-night stay for a family in a comfortable guest room

$20 per month covers sanitation services, providing protection for families for three days

$50 per month provides three months of internet to the entire house

In addition to joining the efforts of caring for families every month, LXG members will receive invitations to RMHC events and online recognition, if desired.

"When unpredicted challenges arise, the Ronald McDonald House is there to cushion the impact. Amidst life's uncertainties, families find a space where hope and resilience shine through, granting a touch of peace in their most pressing times."

Ama Bikoko, CDC Foundation, RMHC Board of Directors, LXG Member

LXG League of Extraordinary Givers

Ronald McDonald House Charities Omaha

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402-346-9377 ext. 138.



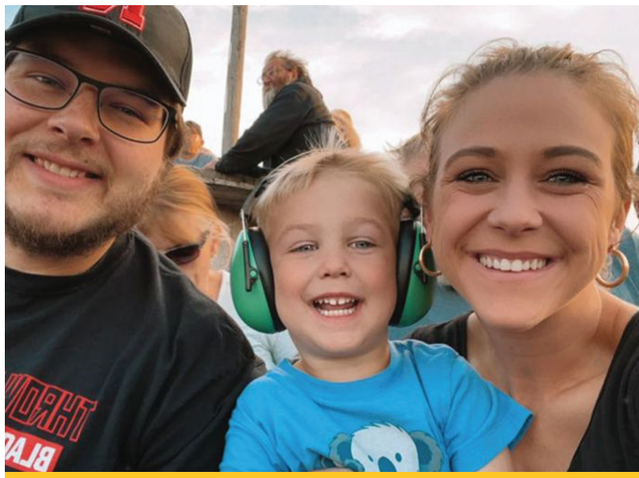
Emery - 294 days at the House



Kennedy - 83 days at the House



Ethan - 108 days at the House



Harrison - 52 days at the House



Taylor - 48 days at the House



Neely - 326 days at the House

Community Involvement





Hurl the Pearl

When you attend Omaha Storm Chasers home games, play Hurl the Pearl. For just $2 per ball, you have chances to win prizes, and all proceeds benefit the families staying at RMHC.

Lindsey Rai Kortan and Emily Swett accept a check from the Storm Chasers, Leonard Management McDonald's & H+H Automotive Group

Host a Fundraiser

Third-party fundraising events are essential to supporting RMHC's mission of providing a home-away-from-home for families with sick or injured children. We are grateful for individuals, organizations, and businesses interested in hosting events or donation drives on our behalf. **Your support makes a difference in the lives of families.** Examples include:

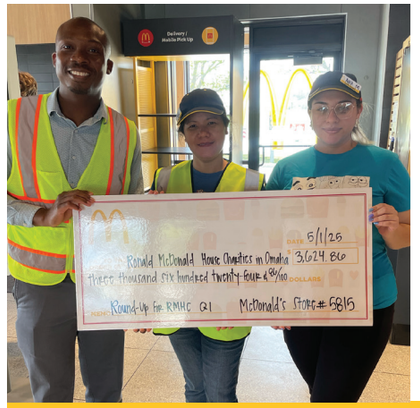
- Happy Hours
- Games or Tournaments
- Networking Events
- Bake Sales
- Casual Dress Days
- Dunk Tanks
- Wine Tastings
- Golf Outings
- And many more ideas



Blackstone Open Team

Round Up

Supporting RMHC is now easier than ever at your local McDonald's. Whether you're ordering at the front counter, drive-through, kiosk, or through the mobile app, simply choose to "Round-Up for RMHC." Your purchase will be rounded to the next dollar, the difference directly funds our mission. This option is available year-round and works with all payment methods.







McDonald's local owner operators present Round-Up checks to RMHC team



Darmody McDonald's operators present hot chocolate and other supplies to RMHC team

McDonald's Relationship

The first Ronald McDonald House opened in Philadelphia on October 15, 1974, providing care for families of sick children traveling for medical treatment. Since then, McDonald's corporate and local franchisees have supported Houses with volunteer hours, donations, promotions, and fundraising, including donation boxes in restaurants. Each Ronald McDonald House operates independently to address the unique needs of its community while benefiting from the shared mission of RMHC worldwide.

A Backyard That Feels Like Home.

Thanks to the incredible generosity of our sponsors and community partners, Ronald McDonald House Charities in Omaha has a brand-new backyard. A space designed to bring comfort, connection, and a little bit of "normal" to families far from home.

From playtime to family meals under the open sky, this outdoor area gives kids the chance to just be kids and families a place to relax together between hospital visits.





THANK YOU TO OUR AMAZING SPONSORS

SCHEELS EMPLOYEE OWNED
Rotary Omaha West
Lozier Foundation
CERRIS SYSTEMS
The Claire M. Hubbard Foundation
JE DUNN CONSTRUCTION
Omaha Steaks
Quest Foundation
Green Plains
Nebraska Statewide Arboretum





A fun event "Fore" a great cause!

Get ready for a "hole" lot of fun at the 2026 Blackstone Open. A mini golf bar crawl through the Blackstone District where teams of four will putt their way through creative, themed holes set up at local bars and restaurants, all while dressed in their best costumes or golf attire. After the course, we'll wrap up with an awards ceremony and after-party at Blackstone Social. Whether you're in it to win it or just want a great excuse to dress up and have fun for a good cause, this event is not to be missed!



Join us for the
Blackstone Open
Saturday, August 8, 2026

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BLACKSTONE BUSINESS ASSOCIATION





Volunteering

Want to lend a helping hand?



We appreciate all the help we can get to make sure our House stays in tip-top shape for our families. Whether it's inside refreshing our kitchen and shared spaces, outside in our yard, or assisting with our events out in the community, we would love to have your support for our families.

PossAbilities visits twice a week to clean all the toys and surfaces in The Tree House.

To sign up to volunteer or ask questions, please contact Rebecca Cervantes at rcervantes@rmhcomaha.org 402-346-9377 ext. 122.

Scan the code to learn more.



Prime Secured donated wood to repair our garden beds and plants to help nourish our families this summer.



Thrasher Foundation Repair helped us with a full around the house refresher to keep all our spaces clean.



Deloitte visited RMHC for their Deloitte Impact Day on June 6th. Their team provided hours of support preparing freezer meals, cleaning, organizing, mulching, and planting to prepare the House for families visiting this summer.

12 Years of Warm Welcomes

Lois Olsen, pictured with Mackenzie & Alyssa, has served over 12 years at our Front Desk answering phone calls, collecting mail and checking in our volunteers.





Millard West Baseball Team helped us prepare for spring by weeding our garden and flower beds.



Charles Schwab processed our pop tab donations from the community.



McDonald's – Leonard Management helped provide a deep clean of our kitchen.



NFM visits once a month to help us keep the house in tip top shape.

Gifts in-Kind

WISH LIST wednesday
RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES IN OMAHA

What's on Our Wish List?

We are always looking for:

- *Cereal or granola bars*
- *Grab and go snacks*
- *Dinner supplies*
- *K-Cup coffee, creamer, sugar, etc.*
- *Liquid laundry detergent and dryer sheets*
- *Household cleaners and disinfectants*
- *Paper towels*
- *Batteries (AA and AAA)*
- *Feminine hygiene products*
- *Diapers (sizes 4 and 5)*
- *Hand Sanitizer*
- *Oral Hygiene (toothbrushes & floss)*
- *Reusable meal prep containers*
- *Ziploc bags (sandwich and gallon sized)*
- *Trash bags (4 and 13 gallon sized)*
- *Gift cards to local restaurants, gas stations, and grocery stores, Visa cards, etc.*

Our donation areas:

- *Cereal and pantry goods*
- *Brand new toys*
- *Household items*
- *Event supplies*

The House's wish list runs long. Think of it this way–we often have nearly 100 people staying with us on a daily basis. That means we go through a lot of paper towels, laundry detergent, etc. To the left you will find a list of items, big and small, that we are always grateful to accept from our loving donors.



Van Meter Inc. assists with our annual toy drive



LRS Healthcare assists with cleaning The Tree House



CSG donates much-needed pantry supplies



Creighton Basketball Toy Drive



Creighton Basketball Players support the annual Toy Drive.

RMHC also accepts donations of services to help maintain our facility, grounds, and programs. These services include, but are not limited to:

- *Lawn care*
- *Commercial cleaning: windows, carpet, flooring, etc.*
- *Hair care*
- *Maintenance*
- *Professional services: legal, human resources, mental health, etc.*

"RMHC truly excels at providing comprehensive support for families during their stay, creating a home-away-from-home. Witnessing the kids' curiosity and enthusiasm during the installation was the highlight of the experience! Their smiles reminded us just how significant a small gesture can be."

UNMC Student Ambassadors

Scan the code to shop our Amazon wishlist

Other Ways to Give

Honor Your Roots. Leave a Legacy. Grow Our Future.

Make your will today. It's about living your life the way you want, even after you're gone. It's about your loved ones, your legacy, and making sure your story unfolds just right. It doesn't matter how big or small your estate is, a will is for everyone.

And here's the best part: it's free and easy. With RMHC's online partner FreeWill, it takes just 20 minutes to complete your will online, no lawyers, no stress. Life's too short not to protect what matters most.

Get started now. Your legacy awaits.





The Blair Family and the Estate of Stanley M. Truhlsen Jr. honored their loved ones in a meaningful way, creating a lasting legacy of support for families in need. Through a bequest to RMHC you can create a profound impact on the lives of others.

A Tax-Savvy Way to Give and to Support Children in Need

Giving cash isn't the only way to help RMHC achieve our financial goals. Giving non-cash assets makes your impact go even further:

Change It Anytime, Because Life's a Journey

Things change. A will is a living document—just like your life, it can adapt. Anytime you want to update it, you can.

> "Incorporating a planned gift in your will can provide significant tax advantages, including reduced estate taxes, while allowing you to support a cause you care about and maximize the inheritance for your loved ones."
>
> **Diana Novoselska**
> **RMHC Past Board Member**



IRA

Make a tax-free donation from your IRA and meet your required minimum distribution.



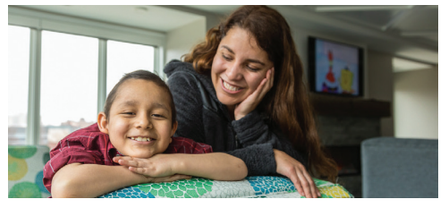
Donor-Advised Fund (DAF)

DAFs make it simple to give money that was already set aside.



Stock

Give the gift of appreciated assets. You'll avoid capital gains tax on the securities you donate and receive an immediate tax deduction.



Crypto

Appreciated crypto can be up to 20% more valuable than donating cash.

Access the FreeWill online tools and resources by scanning the QR code or contact Kari Ketcham at kketcham@rmhcomaha.org or 402-346-9377 ext. 128.
We'd love to speak to you about your giving opportunities and preferences.

Providing support to RMHC also results in tax savings for you. All of these options can be set up easily by scanning the QR code to access online tools and resources powered by FreeWill.

"Choosing to make the Ronald McDonald House our livelihood is both an honor and a responsibility. Our mission comes to life because of the remarkable team standing shoulder to shoulder together with families. We are more than staff. We are equanimity specialists who meet families in their most fragile moments with steadiness, compassion and hope. Supporting families while supporting each other is inseparable from supporting our mission. When we invest in the collective wellbeing and celebrate their gifts with ours, we strengthen our impact, and that all begins with the people who create it."

Lindsey Rai Kortan

Our Leadership



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"Serving on the board of Ronald McDonald House is not just about governance and strategy. It is an active commitment to stand beside families in crisis and equally beside the team who shows up for them every single day. When we invest in this team and this sacred space, we are multiplying every night of rest, every meal, and every moment of relief given to parents and caregivers. The most powerful way to support the mission is to champion the people who carry it out while contributing our own talent to help along the way."

Jason Lauritsen,
RMHC Board Chair Elect

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