

Ronald McDonald House Charities®  
New York Metro

# Keeping families close®



## HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

The first **Ronald McDonald House Charities® New York Metro** program, the Ronald McDonald House in New Hyde Park opened in 1986 and is the 100<sup>th</sup> House of over 375 Ronald McDonald House programs worldwide.

For 33 years, RMHC New York Metro and our cornerstone program, Ronald McDonald House in New Hyde Park, have been creating communities of support to keep families together and near the medical care their ill or injured children need, when they need it most.

Over the years, and only because of the generosity of donors who have supported our cause, we have evolved. We continue to develop programs to meet families' needs as they face the medical uncertainty and financial stress of caring for their children. Today, RMHC New York Metro serves children throughout Long Island and the greater New York metro area through the operation of several RMHC programs.

## OUR PROGRAMS

### Ronald McDonald House

Steps away from Cohen Children's Medical Center and their child's bedside, the 42-bedroom Ronald McDonald House in New Hyde Park provides the comforts of a home and compassionate care that meet the unique needs of families with sick children.

With access to top hospitals and doctors, families can stay nearby and involved in their children's care. Features include overnight accommodations in a warm and supportive environment, just steps from the hospital. A fitness center, laundry rooms, playrooms, home cooked meals each night and transportation services.

### Ronald McDonald Family Room

Located in Stony Brook Children's Hospital and just steps from a child's hospital rooms, Ronald McDonald Family Rooms are open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and provide a space for moms and dads to rest, recharge, grab a snack and take a shower. Family Rooms serve families in the hospital. Features include a living area, media room, snacks for when families are hungry after a long day, spa showers and laundry facilities.

RMHC New York Metro also provides community grants to regional children's charities and financial support to three independent Ronald McDonald Houses in our region through McDonald's fundraising in the greater New York Metro area.

## OUR VISION

A world where all children have access to the medical care they need, and their families are fully supported and actively involved in their child's care.

## OUR MISSION

Build a community of compassionate care by creating and supporting programs that directly improve the health and well-being of sick children and their families.

## OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH MCDONALD'S

McDonald's owner/operators, suppliers and customers have been with us from the start. Their commitment is unwavering and spans more than 35 years. From hosting fundraisers in restaurants to providing food for meals and events, the McFamily offers incredible support as a founding mission partner. A lead donor, the McDonald's community gives approximately 10 percent of the money needed to support the demand for our programs and provide leadership at the Board level.

## FUNDING

Ronald McDonald House Charities New York Metro donors make significant monetary gifts, donate goods, services and resources and volunteer their employees' time to make sure families can focus on what's most important — their child.

RMHC New York Metro must cover its operating expenses through community contributions. The organization coordinates a number of ongoing fundraising campaigns with foundations, corporations, and individuals, as well special event fundraisers. Be a part of helping even more families stay close through the biggest challenge of their lives. Bring a sense of relief, provide unparalleled support, and help us create programs that respond to the unique health and wellness needs of the families we serve. Together, we can do more. **Visit [www.rmhcny.org](http://www.rmhcny.org) today!**



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