

Fact Sheet



RONALD MCDONALD
HOUSE CHARITIES

The **Ronald McDonald House of Detroit** is a “home away from home” for families of sick children, and in some instances, a home for the children themselves. Each year, approximately 1000 families who have children that are hospitalized or receiving treatment stay at the House. The House, conveniently located at 3911 Beaubien Street, is adjacent to Children’s Hospital of Michigan.

Family Program

- ♥ 25 families can stay at the house each night
- ♥ The average length of stay is 5 days, but families may reside at the house throughout the course of the child’s illness.
- ♥ There is a \$10 nightly room charge (*families unable to pay the \$10 stay at reduced rates or at no cost*).


House Features

- ♥ The House is 16,000 square feet
- ♥ There are 25 bedrooms for families
- ♥ The kitchen is equipped with 2 cooking stations
- ♥ There are 2 living rooms
- ♥ Dining room
- ♥ 17 bathrooms
- ♥ Children’s playroom and outdoor play area
- ♥ Exercise room
- ♥ Counseling/resource room
- ♥ An elevator and wheelchair access
- ♥ Non-resident bath facilities
- ♥ Apartment for Resident Manager


Organization

- ♥ The operation of the House is funded through donations from private individuals, community organizations and corporations. The House also coordinates annual fundraising campaigns and events.
- ♥ There are volunteers who assist with the House’s day-to-day activities and who care for the families.
- ♥ There are four full-time and one part-time staff members. These members include, Jennifer Litomisky, Executive Director and Jackie Kennedy, House Manager.
- ♥ The House opened on November 2, 1979 and underwent a major addition and renovation in 1993-94.
- ♥ The House is owned and operated by Ronald McDonald House of Detroit. Membership on the non-profit board is comprised of parents, business and community members, and hospital representatives.

For more information
or to make reservations,
please contact the
Ronald McDonald House
of Detroit
3911 Beaubien Street
Detroit, MI 48201
(313) 745-5909



**Ways You
Can Help the
Ronald McDonald
House of Detroit!**



Calling all Speakers! We need You!

We are in need of individuals that are willing to assist with our Speaker's Bureau Ambassador Program. We need speakers who are knowledgeable about the House and the mission of the Charities. Individuals will be trained by our longstanding board member and Program Chair, **Anne Hoyt**.

Speakers would be called upon during the day (schools and selected civic groups) and in the evenings (companies and selected civic groups). There are times when speakers are needed on the weekends as well.

Most speaking engagements last no longer than an hour from start to finish (most presentations are no more than 10 minutes). The staff will provide all speakers with materials and other handouts for the presentation.

If you are interested in joining our Speaker's Bureau Ambassador Program, call **Jennifer Litomisky**, Executive Director at 313-745-5911.

We could use your 'gifts-in-kind'!

The House is just like a hotel. We need paper supplies, cleaning supplies, office supplies, food and computer equipment. Donations of supplies and equipment will help offset expenses. Here's what we really need:

■ **We need a lot of cleaning supplies:**

- Bleach (Clorox Color-safe only, please)
- Pine Sol
- Laundry detergent
- Comet Cleanser
- Dish washing soap and dish washer liquid
- Paper Towels and Napkins
- Windex
- Plastic forks/spoons/knives
- Paper Plates
- Shower Curtains

■ **We need food!**

You can either supply the House with non-perishable foods or prepare a meal for the families at the House. Canned food drives are a wonderful gift to the House!

■ **Toys! Toys! Toys!**

We accept *new* toys for children of all ages. We need toys for our year-end holiday party and year-round to keep the closets full for the children that stay at our House.

Yes, we can use your tax-deductible cash donations!

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone () _____ Email: _____

Yes! Please accept this donation to help the Ronald McDonald House of Detroit

\$500 \$250 \$100 \$50 \$25 Other \$ _____

*Please make check payable to Ronald McDonald House of Detroit and send to:
Ronald McDonald House, 3911 Beaubien Street, Detroit, MI 48201*