





When parents face a child's illness, life can change overnight. Between rising expenses, long drives, and worried siblings, families face additional burdens when enduring a crisis. Ronald McDonald House Charities of Northeast Indiana gives families a home base during a child's hospitalization, lessening their burdens with comfortable, free accommodations. meals, and community resources that help care for a family's overall well-being. Between the Ronald McDonald House, the Ronald McDonald Care Mobile, and the Ronald McDonald Family Lounge our mission is to help eliminate extra stressors and allow parents to focus on their child.

I can say with confidence, that our ability to nurture, support, and empower families is only because of your generosity. Collectively, you grant us the assurance and financial support we need to surround families with loving kindness along their medical journey.

Thank you for standing by us and those we serve.

Jen Veatch, Chief Executive Officer Ronald McDonald House Charities of Northeast Indiana

# **OUR IMPACT**

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE **CHARITIES OF NORTHEAST INDIANA** 

**OUR HOUSE SERVED 558** FAMILIES



**5295** TOTAL NIGHTS OF STAY

**AVERAGE STAY 16 DAYS** 

**108** DAYS, LONGEST STAY

**OUR COMFORT CART SERVED** 



11,825 **INDIVIDUALS** 

**77** VOLUNTEERS with over **6,400** □ **VOLUNTEER HOURS** 



**OUR KINDNESS KITCHEN SERVED** 



5,930 **INDIVIDUALS** 

378 MEALS DONATED BY VOLUNTEERS

\$71,820 VALUE OF DONATED MEALS CONTRIBUTED

\$1,562,255 TOTAL EXPENSES

**TOTAL ENDING NET ASSETS** \$3,172,580

\$1,741,275 **TOTAL REVENUE** 

(ALL FINANCIALS HAVE BEEN AUDITED)



84% **OF RONALD CDONALD CARE** WERE UNINSURED **OR LOW INCOME** 



**\$733,695 SAVED** 

BY OUR FAMILIES IN OUT-OF-POCKET LODGING AND MEAL EXPENSES

## **IMPACT**

**BETTER SLEEP QUALITY REDUCED** STRESS **REDUCED** COSTS **KEEPS FAMILIES CLOSE & TOGETHER** 





New in August of 2022, the Ronald McDonald Family Lounge is a refuge for families with an infant in the Parkview Women's and Children's Newborn Intensive Care Unit. Steps away from their child's bedside, the Family Lounge features a kitchenette stocked with grab-and-go snacks, a dining space, a comfortable lounge, and a children's play area.

The Ronald McDonald Family Lounge served 131 families in 2022.





One hundred and fifty-nine days is a long time to be away from home, Will and Marisol know that better than most. On September 30, 2022, at only 25 weeks pregnant, they were surprised by the birth of their daughter Ahnix who was just 1 pound 11 ounces. They knew they had a long road ahead of them.

"We had just sold our home and were looking for a new house when I had Ahnix," remembers Marisol, "so the Ronald McDonald House was literally our home. Will and I stayed in the House with our boys Aerie and Amore. The boys started referring to everything as theirs, their room, their toys. They thought this was their house and everyone else was just a guest."

Despite the stress of the last five months, Marisol says she's grateful, "I don't know how much harder this would have been if we didn't have you guys. Every time we walked through the House, the staff and volunteers would ask how we were and if we needed anything. It made a huge difference. We heard it over and over and we knew we had support. Being in the House with other families was so helpful. It was good to talk to them and support each other. We have another family we've gotten very close with and have encouraged each other through our journeys and continue to pray for each other.

"Ahnix is growing. She smiles a lot. She's doing well. Through all of this, we have been blessed. I honestly know that once she's home and a little older, I'm coming back. I will volunteer. We have become family."



"You have taken so much weight off our shoulders. You all went from being really nice strangers to family. You have been amazing."

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