



Ronald McDonald
House Charities®
Chicagoland & Northwest Indiana

Celebrating 40 Years

40th Anniversary Gala

Saturday, April 22, 2017

The Geraghty, Chicago, IL

Dear Friend of Ronald McDonald House Charities®-CNI,

Helping a sick child fight an illness takes an emotional toll on a family. When adding the financial strain, it can make it almost too much to bear. Ronald McDonald House Charities of Chicagoland & Northwest Indiana (RMHC®-CNI) helps to ease those burdens, whether they involve housing that's near a hospitalized child, the expense of staying together in another city, or even getting basic medical care in a vulnerable community.

For over a decade, the Gala has been the charity's largest annual fundraiser, providing critical resources to support our Ronald McDonald Houses®, Ronald McDonald Family Rooms®, Ronald McDonald Care Mobile®, and Scholarship Program. This year, the charity is celebrating our 40th Anniversary. On Saturday, April 22, we will host 750 high-profile guests and partner organizations at our 12th Annual dinner gala. The event, hosted at The Geraghty, will celebrate the 65,000 families we've served over the last 40 years, and raise crucial funds to continue our mission of serving families for many more years to come.

You can help RMHC-CNI keep families with sick children close to each other and the care they need. While we may not be able to make the medicine taste better or erase the pain of a much-needed treatment, with your help, we will lessen the burden for thousands of families in 2017. In order to continue fulfilling our mission of keeping families close, *we ask that you join us as an esteemed partner* by providing in-kind donations of unique experiential items or services to include in the auction at the Gala. All auction donors will be recognized in the program booklet and on the mobile bidding site for their generous contributions, and will receive an acknowledgment letter for tax purposes.

Items can be sent to:

RMHC-CNI

Attn: Lauren Romanowski

1301 W. 22nd Street, Suite 905

Oak Brook, IL 60523

We are grateful for the support of generous donors like you, and thank you in advance for joining us in making a difference for the thousands of children and families we serve each year.

Sincerely,

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RMHC-CNI is an independent not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to care for families of children with complex medical needs by providing a 'home away from home' while their child is being treated in the hospital. Each night, we keep 153 families close to the care and resources they need because of the comfort, compassion and community at five area Ronald McDonald Houses® and three Ronald McDonald Family Rooms®. Allowing families to stay close to their child in the hospital, not only supports the health and well-being of the child, but saves our families over \$10 million in hotel and food costs each year. RMHC-CNI is an approved BBB Accredited Business and holds a 4-star rating by Charity Navigator.





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Donation Form

Celebrating 40 Years

Donor/Business Name: _____

Contact Name (if different from above): _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Donation: _____

Value of Donation: _____

Please provide a full description of your donated item (use back or attach to form).

Please also indicate ALL limitations, restrictions, blackout dates, and expiration dates that may apply:

Please include this form when mailing your item(s).

For questions, please contact Lauren at LRomanowski@rmhccni.org or 630.623.2309.

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