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RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES SAN DIEGO

FACT SHEET

- Purpose:** Ronald McDonald House Charities of San Diego provides comfort, strength and stability for families with children in medical crisis by operating the Ronald McDonald House, a “home away from home,” and supporting synergistic programming for the San Diego community.
- Programs:** Ronald McDonald House: Since opening in 1980, the Ronald McDonald House in San Diego has offered a “home-away-from-home” for more than 10,000 families and provided more than 100,000 nights of lodging. The House is a two-story, 12-bedroom facility with all the comforts of home located on Children’s Hospital property. Ronald McDonald House requests a small fee of \$10 for a night’s stay but accepts any family, regardless of their ability to pay. Only 25 percent of the families who stay at the House are able to pay even that small amount. RMHC-SD is preparing to open a second, larger House nearby during first quarter 2008 in order to accommodate more families and better meet the needs of the community.
- Grantmaking: Ronald McDonald House Charities of San Diego awards grants to San Diego County non-profit organizations that benefit children in the following three areas:
- Healthcare and medical research;
 - Education and arts; and
 - Civic and social services.
- Grant Requests are reviewed semi-annually. RMHC-SD has awarded nearly \$4 million to other children’s organizations throughout San Diego County since 1986.
- Operations:** RMHC-SD has an annual operating budget of \$2 million and employs seven full-time and seven part-time staff as well as three independent contractors. Approximately 50 regular volunteers assist RMHC-SD with daily operations and another nearly 50 volunteers help with special events and seasonal programs.
- Funding:** Ronald McDonald House Charities of San Diego receives strong support from: individual and corporate donors who participate in fundraisers; individual customers who participate in promotions or drop change in a McDonald’s change canister; corporations that make financial or in-kind contributions; and local McDonald owner/operators and regional staff from the San Diego County McDonald Owner/Operator Association.
- Board Structure:** Ronald McDonald House Charities of San Diego is governed by a local Board of Trustees comprised of members of the medical community, business and civic leaders, parent/volunteers, and McDonald’s representatives.
- Volunteer Opportunities:** Numerous volunteer opportunities exist with day-to-day operations at the House or administrative office as well as special event fundraisers. Additional opportunities are available on numerous operational and special event committees and with the *Dinners at our House* program where community representative prepare and served dinners for the families at the House.

Locations:

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