



**Ronald McDonald  
House Charities®**  
Central Georgia



## 2017 Program Statistics

Overnight Families served: 334  
 Happy Wheels Families served: 518  
 Families Wait Listed for a room: 184  
 Nights of lodging provided: 3,555    Average length of stay: 11 days  
 Georgia Counties served: 131    States served: 26    Countries: 7



On August 28, 2005, Justin Ellsworth Bean entered the world with a mountain of odds stacked against him. Justin's care became centralized in Macon where he is cared for by a number of physicians and specialists. Since his ongoing medical issues require frequent visits, Justin and his Nana are regular residents of the Ronald McDonald House. Every few months and sometimes multiple times within a month, Justin and his Nana travel the three hours from home to the Ronald McDonald House in Macon. Once here, they may stay two to three days or even as long as a month, depending upon Justin's current medical needs. Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Georgia

is proud to be a place where families and children like Justin can depend on our open hearts and doors as often as needed.

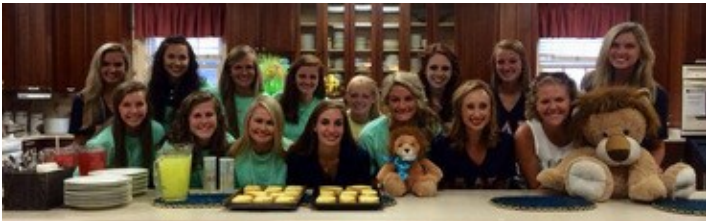
House and weekend volunteers: 62  
 Volunteer hours: 2,970



Volunteers make the difference in the lives of EVERY family that comes through our doors. Volunteers make sure the food in the refrigerator is stored properly and within date. They make sure there is an empty dishwasher for plates and utensils. They make sure there is plenty of cold sweet tea on hot summer days. They are a listening ear when someone needs to talk. They are a smile and an encouraging word. They do all the little things that make our house a home so that our families can concentrate on the one BIG thing – the health of their child. Volunteers are truly the heart of Ronald McDonald House Charities.

Meals provided by the community: over 34,000 individual meals

Knowing there is a warm meal at the end of a long day is the first thing families say they appreciate and remember about the Ronald McDonald House. Our meal volunteers make this important part of our service to families possible.



## DID YOU KNOW?

Ronald McDonald Houses serve more than **8,000 families** each night around the world, saving them over **\$649 million** dollars a year in hotel, dining and travel costs.

**Children whose families** stay at a Ronald McDonald House tend to be the sickest, have traveled the furthest distance for care and spend the longest time in the hospital.

**100% of funds** donated through the McDonald's In-store Donation Boxes benefit Ronald McDonald House Charities.

Each year, friends of Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Georgia donate over **16 million** Pull Tabs, raising nearly **\$10,000** for our Families and our House.

Volunteers provide an evening meal for our families **365 days a year**, including Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter and other Holidays.

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