



## Ronald McDonald House

Since 1982, RMHC North Central Florida has been keeping families close to their seriously ill children. The Ronald McDonald House provides comfy beds, homecooked meals, and all the comforts of home to families traveling to Gainesville, FL to seek medical care for their child. Our House program is built on the simple idea that nothing else should matter when a family is focused on the health of their child - not where they can afford to stay, where they will get their next meal or where they will lay their head at night to rest.

### Total Family Nights Provided: 8,340

Total Number of Families: 791

Average Length of Stay: 94 Days

Number of Rooms: 31

Suggested Donation: **\$15 per night**,  
but no one is ever turned away due  
to inability to donate

Actual Nightly Cost per Room: **\$100**

### Total Number of Families Turned Away: 1,962

#### Health Challenges Experienced by Patients

Cardiac Issues: 48%

Premature Birth: 20%

Cancer: 27%

Trauma: 5%

## Ronald McDonald Family Room

Located on the 10th floor of UF Health Shands Children's Hospital, the Ronald McDonald Family Room offers a special place for families to rest and regroup within the walls of the hospital. It provides a small oasis of calm and normalcy amidst the tense, medical setting – yet parents are just steps away from their child's bedside.

### Services for Families

- Open 7 days a week, including holidays
- Kitchenette with free snacks and drinks
- Private Quiet Room for naps and relaxation
- A team of friendly volunteers

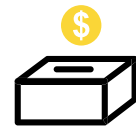
**Comfort Bags: 1,775**

## Annual Budget



32%

Special Events



1%

Room Donations



18%

McDonalds  
Support



21%

Community Fundraisers &  
Payroll Deduction Programs



26%

Individuals &  
Organizations



2%

Foundations &  
Grants