



News Release

Ronald McDonald House Charities of St. Louis Receives \$154,000 Grant from Bayer Fund

Donation to help provide a home-away-from-home to seriously ill children and their families while seeking medical treatment in St. Louis.

(ST. LOUIS, MO) – Ronald McDonald House Charities® (RMHC) of St. Louis announced today it received a grant for \$154,000 from Bayer Fund, which will be used to provide overnight lodging, meals and a home-away-from-home to seriously ill children and their families while seeking medical treatment in St. Louis.

“At Ronald McDonald House Charities® of St. Louis, we provide family-centered care to seriously ill or injured children and their families. During 2020, our priority has been the health and well-being of those we serve. We continue to deliver clean and comfortable spaces to families as they rest, recharge, and connect safely within the walls of our three St. Louis area Ronald McDonald Houses,” says Dan Harbaugh, RMHC St. Louis President. “Thanks to the grant from Bayer Fund, we will continue to meet the needs of guest families and offer them the comforts of home.”

This grant will not only provide support to our organization, but also the community we serve by allowing us to afford nightly meals to families staying at the three St. Louis area Ronald McDonald Houses and provide essential cleaning supplies to keep up with the updated 2020 cleaning protocols.

“Throughout the years, the grants given through Bayer Fund have helped strengthen our communities across the United States,” said Al Mitchell, President of Bayer Fund. “We’re proud to be able to provide support to develop programs that help combat challenges such as food insecurity, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) education and support services to patients and families managing an illness or disease.”

In 2019, Bayer Fund awarded more than \$14 million to over 3,200 charitable and nonprofit organizations to help address essential needs in food and nutrition, STEM education and community development. Over the last five years, nonprofit organizations across the U.S. have received more than \$79 million.

To learn more about Ronald McDonald House Charities of St. Louis visit www.rmhcstl.com.

To learn more about Bayer Fund visit <https://www.fund.bayer.us>.

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About Ronald McDonald House Charities® of St. Louis

Ronald McDonald House Charities® of St. Louis provides a home-away-from-home to families of seriously ill children. The organization has grown from an eight-bedroom facility in 1981 to now include three Houses, eight extended-stay apartments, and four Ronald McDonald Family Rooms, which are located inside Mercy Children's Hospital, St. Louis Children's Hospital and SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital. RMHC programs not only provide access to quality health care, but they also enable family-centered care, ensuring families are fully supported and actively involved in their children's care. For more information, visit rmhcstl.com. To see the most up-to-date program changes due to the COVID-19 pandemic, please visit rmhcstl.com/covid19.

About Bayer Fund

Bayer Fund, a philanthropic arm of Bayer, is a nonprofit organization dedicated to strengthening the communities where Bayer customers and employees live and work by providing funding for food and nutrition, education and community development projects.

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