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Press Release

Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) of the Ohio Valley Announces Capital Campaign for a Second Location

Evansville, Indiana, (Thursday, February 14, 2019) – RMHC of the Ohio Valley held a press conference today announcing the launch of the public phase of a \$3.5 million capital campaign for a second Ronald McDonald House location. The second house will be located on the Deaconess Gateway Medical Campus.

When asked about the announcement, RMHC Executive Director Theresa Floyd-Maas stated, “After much discussion with members of the medical community, we knew there was a need for more families to be served through a second RMHC house program. We are thrilled to announce that the ability to address the need is turning into reality this year.” RMHC launched a silent phase of the Behind Every Door Capital Campaign in late Summer of 2018. To date, they have raised over 70% of their goal. Campaign Co-chairs John Lamb and Linda White advised of their deep appreciation for those who have already agreed to contribute to this wonderful cause.

“When babies and children are hospitalized, keeping families close is such an important part of the healing process,” said Chris Ryan, CEO of The Women’s Hospital, and RMHC Ohio Valley board member. “This new location will help families be near their children undergoing medical treatment, offering a comfortable, home-like space at no cost to them.”

The new Ronald McDonald House will have 16 bedrooms, common kitchen dining, laundry and family activity space. “Because of this second location, we will nearly triple the number of families served through both house programs at RMHC of the Ohio Valley,” Floyd-Maas added.

“Providing space on the Deaconess Gateway Campus for a Ronald McDonald House was the right thing to do for our patients and for the community,” said Shawn McCoy, CEO, Deaconess Health system. “With our level 3 NICU at The Women’s Hospital and Deaconess Riley Children’s Services at Gateway, there was a need for a Ronald McDonald House here. We are honored and proud to take this step in meeting that need.”

For more information on Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Ohio Valley’s mission and its programs, visit www.rmhcohoivalley.org.

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About Ronald McDonald House Charities

Ronald McDonald House Charities® (RMHC®), a non-profit, 501(c)(3) corporation, creates, finds and supports programs that directly improve the health and well-being of children and their families. Through its global network of local Chapters in 58 countries and regions, its three core programs, the [Ronald McDonald House®](#), [Ronald McDonald Family Room®](#) and [Ronald McDonald Care Mobile®](#), and millions of dollars in grants to support children’s programs, RMHC keeps families with sick children close to each other and the medical care their child needs at leading hospitals worldwide. **Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Ohio Valley (located in Evansville, IN) currently has two active programs: Ronald McDonald House and Hospitality a la Carte.**