

### **OUR MISSION**

To provide a warm, compassionate and safe home away from home for families of seriously ill children who are receiving treatment at our local children's hospital.

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### A MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO & BOARD PRESIDENT

It has been an exciting year for RMHC®SCO! We changed our name from RMHC® Hamilton to RMHC® South Central Ontario to help us to clearly define the area and families we serve while embracing the community that supports us. We received an generous donation from Arcelor Mittal Dofasco that enabled us to renovate our Family Room at McMaster Children's Hospital to help serve families better. We also introduced our Happy Wheels Hospitality Cart that goes from ward to ward at the hospital serving families refreshments and toiletries at bedside.

As we look back on another successful year, we would like to thank every donor, volunteer, and staff member that made it possible. We are incredibly proud of the role RMHC®SCO has played in supporting the community and we are profoundly grateful, as it would not have been possible without you and the support of our community.

We hope this report gives you a glimpse into our inspiring community and the amazing things we have been able to accomplish together as we continue to help keep families close to their sick children.

David Millen Board President Catherine Bridgman
Chief Executive Officer

## **OUR FAMILIES**

he staff and volunteers at the House are always happy to visit with the Black Family when they stop by the House. After staying with us for 228 days while their daughter Gracelynn was in McMaster Children's Hospital, they quickly became part of our everyday routine.

Their other daughter, Kahlan, went to school in the area - even celebrating her first day of JK. The Black Family celebrated many firsts at the House over their stay, including Gracelynn's first Christmas.

Our journey began on May 31st, 2016 when my water broke at 19 weeks. With the fear that I would go into labour and our baby would not survive, I was admitted to our local hospital and put on strict bed rest. On June 30th, I was transferred to McMaster Children's Hospital and on July 14th Gracelynn Clark was born. Shortly after our family (my husband, Jamie, and daughter Kahlan) moved into RMHC®SCO.

The House quickly became a place where we felt comfortable and were provided a much needed escape. At the House, and in the Family Room, we were able to play games with Kahlan, watch movies and take time to recharge. Our Christmas at the House is one that we hold close to our hearts and will forever cherish; decorating a tree, baking holiday treats and enjoying a traditional turkey dinner on Christmas day. Kahlan still talks about making reindeer food with her friends at the House and sprinkling it all the way to the hospital so that Santa wouldn't forget her sister and all the other kids who were there. Celebrating at RMHCSCO reminded us of the true spirit of the Holidays and that being 'home' means being together.





### **OUR FAMILIES**

759

out-of-town families stayed at the House

11

nights was the average length of stay

478

families stayed with us more than once

324

nights was the longest stay by a single family

14,139

total nights stayed by families

\$2.7

million dollars saved in out-of-pocket expenses for families



### **OUR FOUNDING & FOREVER PARTNER**

McDonald's has been a committed partner of Ronald McDonald House Charities® for 40 years. On a national scale, McDonald's Restaurants of Canada and their guests provide over \$10 million in funding annually and help secure partner gifts for RMHC® chapters across the country.

McDonald's support goes much further than monetary assistance. McDonald's provides volunteers, partner product donations, key sponsorships, advertising and board support. From its owner/operators to restaurant staff, the pride McDonald's has for Ronald McDonald House Charities® and the work we do is what makes our relationship truly special. Here are just a few ways our founding and forever partner supported us in 2017.

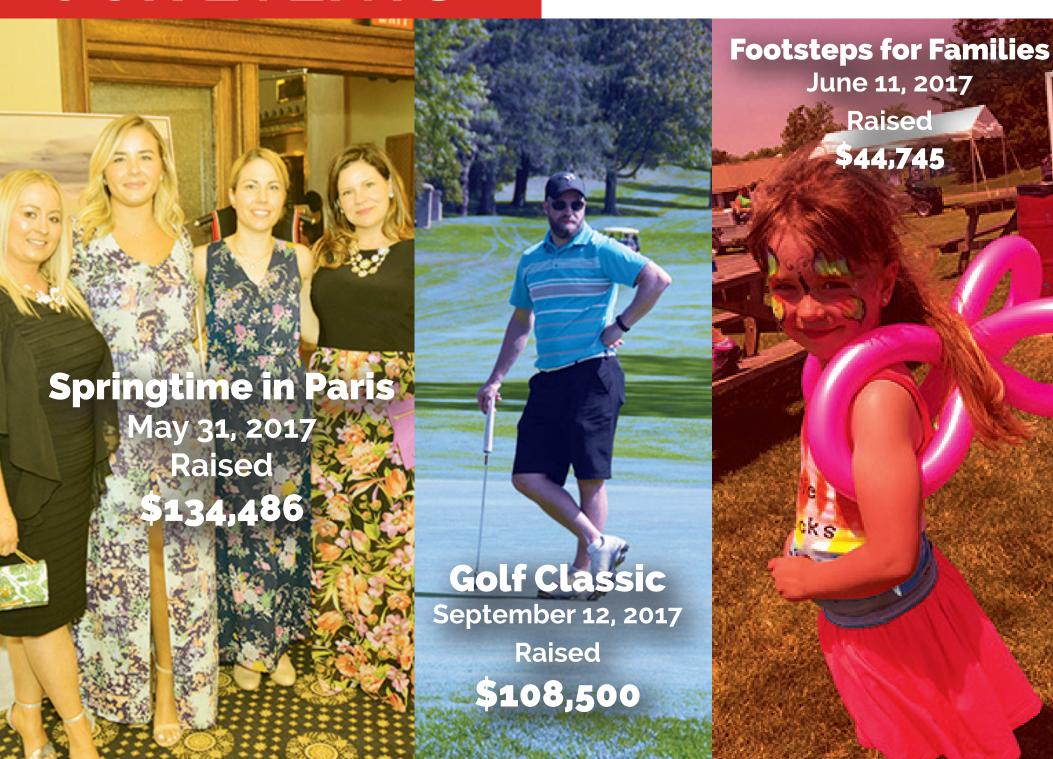
McDonald's Restaurants of Canada and its franchisees have raised a remarkable \$584,518 this past year for our House.

Small change makes a very big difference for us. Thanks to McDonald's customers, our House benefits from their generous giving through coin boxes in McDonald's restaurants across our catchment area. This past year, \$83,811 was raised through coin boxes for our families.

Every May, McDonald's Restaurants nationwide host McHappy Day in support of Ronald McDonald Houses and other children's charities. This amazing day brought in a record amount of \$248,725 for our House.



## **OUR EVENTS**



## **FINANCIALS**

#### **CHANGE TO FISCAL YEAR**

RMHC® South Central Ontario has received approval from its Board of Directors and the Canadian Revenue Agency to change its fiscal year end from June 30 to December 31. This decision was made in order to align the annual reporting period of all RMHC chapters worldwide as mandated by RMHC Global, and took effect January 1, 2017.

#### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

The financial statements of Kids Care Oncology Central West Ontario (RMHC® South Central Ontario) for the year ended December 31, 2017 were audited by Grant Thornton and are available on our website. This report should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements.

#### **REVENUES**

During the 2017 fiscal year, the organization generated revenues of \$2,388,263. Total capital assests for the period ending December 31, 2017 were \$13,263,971.

#### **EXPENSES**

Expenditures incurred during the fiscal year totaled \$2,347,349. Total capital expenses for the period were \$140,743 and excess deficency of revenue over expenses totalled \$121,829.



## **OUR DONORS**

To ensure we can continue to provide compassionate support to so many, a platform of robust and sustainable financial resources is needed. Ronald McDonald House Charities® South Central Ontario relies on the community to fund 80% of our annual operating budget each year, recognizing that we do not receive government subsidies to offset our costs.

It is with the continued support of the many communities we serve that we are able to deliver high quality programming and assistance.

RMHC® South Central Ontario would like to thank all those who have donated to our House throughout the year. Your donations have truly made our House a home.

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