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Ronald McDonald House Charities Announces Annual Gala

*Proceeds to help house families of children being treated
at medical facilities in Columbia*

COLUMBIA, S.C., February 19, 2020 – Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) is hosting its second annual [RMHC Gala](#) on **Thursday, March 26** from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. The event will include a silent & live auction, heavy hors d'oeuvres, cocktails, live music and the opportunity to make a positive impact.

“Last year we were able to raise more than 60,000 dollars to support the families who come to us seeking shelter and care during some of the most difficult times of their lives,” said Meghan McMenamy, RMHC Marketing and Development Manager. “It is so amazing to see people come together during events like these and help support families in need in our community.”

The funds raised during the Gala will allow RMHC to continue providing guest families with the comfort of a home so they can focus on what matters most, their child’s health. Serving families in Columbia for 37 years — the Ronald McDonald House in Columbia recently expanded to include 16 private fully furnished bedrooms and bathrooms to help continue its mission of keeping families close during treatment.

Tickets are \$125 and you must be 21 years or older to attend. Tickets are available for purchase [on the RMHC website](#) or on their [Facebook page](#).

Attire is black tie optional and the event will be held at The Hall at Senate’s End.

ABOUT RMHC COLUMBIA, SC

The Ronald McDonald House Columbia, SC opened May 18, 1983 and in 1996, Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) Columbia, SC was formed, merging Pediatric Family Services of the Midlands and Ronald McDonald Children's Charities. Today, RMHC Columbia, SC is an active, energetic organization with a volunteer board of directors and professional staff serving families and children through two cornerstone programs, the Ronald McDonald House and the Ronald McDonald Family Room. The first Family [Room opened in Palmetto Health Richland Hospital in 2003](#). Then in 2008, with the construction of the new Children's Hospital, a new

Family Room opened on the first floor of the Children's Hospital and serves families of children receiving care within the hospital. We are supported by a caring community of volunteers and generous contributors and sponsors. Learn more at [RMHCofColumbia.org](https://www.rmhcolumbia.org) or by connecting with the RMHC on [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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