



**RMHC**<sup>®</sup>  
Ireland

Keeping families close™

**2019**  
Annual Report





# Celebrating 15 years of serving families

'I particularly love the fact the 4 'wings' of the House are named after the provinces and that each room is named after one of the rivers flowing through that particular province. We have loved every minute staying in the Foyle and Lagan over the years.

Those rooms have heard our deepest worries yet managed to help heal our broken spirits and renew our souls discouraged by a 'bad' day in the hospital'.

## Our Story



**1974**

The First Ronald McDonald House opens in Philadelphia, USA



**1997**

Ronald McDonald House Charities is set up in Ireland



**2004**

We open up the first Irish Ronald McDonald House at Crumlin hospital



**2010**

We extend our facilities by opening a four bedroom House in St Mary's Drive. We now provide 20 Families every night we accommodation, care and support. Our Annual Running costs are €500,000



**2013**

We launch our Campaign (Gathering Ball) to build a New Ronald McDonald House alongside the New Children's Hospital.



**2014**

We Celebrate 10 years of looking after Families from all over Ireland.



**2015**

We design a 53 bedroom Ronald McDonald House. Plans submitted to An Bord Pleanála alongside plans for a New National Children's Hospital.



**2016**

Planning permission granted for New Children's Hospital and a 53 bedroom Ronald McDonald House Opening: 2023 Expected cost for House €19 million\*



**2017**

RMHC Wear Your Stripes Event launched by Taoiseach Leo Varadkar and Minister for Health Simon Harris



**2018**

Working on signing a contract with the HSE and continuing to raise funds for our new House.

**2019**

We celebrated 15 years of taking care of Families



## THANK YOU FOR KEEPING US CLOSE TO EACH OTHER AND THE CARE WE NEED

*'We would have been lost without the Ronald McDonald House. We cannot put into words what this house and staff have meant to us during our stay'*

### RMHC Ireland Our Mission

The mission of RMHC Ireland is to provide a Ronald McDonald House in order to support families whose children are seriously ill in hospital. The Ronald McDonald House provides accommodation and a caring and supportive environment for families whose children are seriously ill and are hospitalised or undergoing medical treatment at Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin, Dublin 12.

### Our Vision

Through our committed board members, our caring staff, our dedicated volunteers and our generous donors and supporters we aim to provide a caring and supportive environment for families so that they can stay together and be actively involved in their children's care while they are long term in hospital.

### Our Values

- Respect: We treat all people with dignity and respect.
- Stewardship: We honour our heritage by being socially, financially and environmentally responsible.
- Ethics: We strive to meet the highest ethical standards
- Learning: We challenge each other to strive for excellence and to continually learn.
- Innovation: We embrace continuous improvement, bold creativity and change
- Integrity: We carry out our work with the greatest responsibility and accountability
- Respect: We respect People, Communities, and Cultures
- Diversity: We are fully committed to a diverse workplace

### Our charitable purpose and objectives

To promote and assist by means of the making of grants and the giving of financial assistance any companies, trusts, associations or societies which are established for charitable purposes and whose main objects are wholly or primarily concerned with children.

To provide accommodation and other assistance for children being treated in hospital and their families during periods of treatment and in particular but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing to make grants and give financial assistance to such companies, trusts, associations or societies as are established for charitable purposes whose main objects are consistent with the above main objects.





The Ronald McDonald House Charities in Ireland supports families whose children are seriously ill in hospital. Our House provides a caring and supportive environment for 20 families every night while their seriously ill children are undergoing treatment at Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin, Dublin 12.

In 2019 we had the privilege of providing care and vital resources to 296 children and their families from across the island of Ireland. RMHC proudly provides access to quality health care and helps to ensure that families can be actively involved and participate in their children's care. Our Annual Report affords us the opportunity to share our story and thank the many people who make what we do every day possible. Your generosity makes an enormous difference for so many families.

On behalf of the Board of RMHC Ireland, I would like to express our gratitude to Marian Carroll, our volunteer CEO and all the staff and volunteers who make such a worthwhile contribution to so many families at a time of great vulnerability and need.

RMHC is committed to the highest standards of governance. Our charity will always remain in the vanguard of those which ensure that funding raised through the generosity of all our donors will remain maximally available for the purposes for which it was donated. RMHC Ireland is fully committed to achieving the standards contained within Guidelines for Charitable Organisations Fundraising from the Public. We are currently migrating to the new Governance Code as set out by the Charities Regulator. As committed members of Charities Institute Ireland we operate, as required by Cii, to the triple lock standards of transparent reporting, good fundraising and governance.

RMHC is led by a caring, enthusiastic and committed Board of Trustees who share their insights and expertise to help advance our mission. Their perspective and expertise are critical to enabling us to serve our families. I thank them for all they do to help look after our families when they are going through a very difficult time.

2020 will be another challenging year for Ronald McDonald House Charities Ireland. We will continue to work on our 5-year objective to develop, build and open a new 53 bedroom Ronald McDonald House, adjacent to the New Children's Hospital. The expected opening date for the Hospital is Q1 2023. Thank you for all you have done to help us keep families close in 2019. Your continued support over the next few years will be necessary and very much appreciated as RMHC Ireland cannot achieve its goals without you.

### **Dr Bruce Mitchell**

Chairperson RMHC Ireland



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**Board of Directors**

**Chairperson: Dr. Bruce Mitchell** (MBBCh, FRCP, FRCPI),  
CEO Airmid Health Group

**CEO (Volunteer): Marian Carroll**,  
(Company Director, 27 years an RMHC Volunteer)

**Treasurer: Dave Bobbett**  
(Owner & MD H&K International)

**Company Secretary: Dr. Aengus O'Marcaigh**  
(Consultant Paediatric Haematologist, OLC Hospital Crumlin)

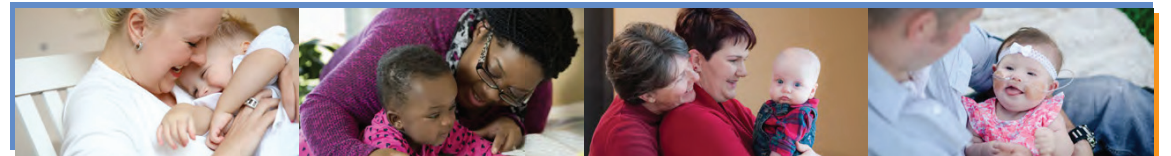
**Trustees**

- Alison Cowzer (Co-Founder Eastcoast Bakehouse)
- Bernard Byrne (McDonald's Owner Operator, Carlow, Wexford & Dublin)
- Martin Foy (Director Brennan Foy & Co Engineers Ltd – father who stayed in the House)
- Rosie Conneely (Health Care Assistant - mother who stayed in The House)
- Carolyn Odgers (Business Director at Carat Ireland)
- Diarmuid Geary (FCA, Director Limetree Global)
- Lisa Berry (Franchise Consultant, McDonald's UK & Ireland)

All Board Members, including our CEO, kindly donate their time and their services on a voluntary basis. The CEO receives no remuneration package. The Board meets 4 times a year. Attendance is recorded. All Board Members complete a Conflict of Interest Statement annually. Our Board Composition is fully compliant with the Operating Licence we receive from RMHC Global.

**Board Sub Committee:**

- Fundraising:** Marian Carroll, Martin Foy, Bernard Byrne, Rosie Conneely, Carolyn Odgers, Diarmuid Geary, Lisa Berry, (Attended Joe Kenny)
- Finance/Remuneration/Governance:** Bruce Mitchell, Dave Bobbett, Diarmuid Geary (attended by Kevin Keenan)
- Risk:** Carolyn Odgers, Diarmuid Geary, Marian Carroll, Lisa Berry, Kevin Keenan
- House:** Aengus O'Marcaigh, Marian Carroll, Martin Foy, Rosie Conneely (attended by Joe Kenny)
- New House:** Bruce Mitchell, Marian Carroll, Alison Cowzer, Martin Foy (attended by Kevin Keenan, Joe Kenny)
- Hospital Liaison:** Aengus O'Marcaigh
- McDonald's Operator's Liaison:** Bernard Byrne
- McDonald's Company Liaison:** Lisa Berry



**When a child is in hospital it affects the entire family. The Ronald McDonald House Ireland helps by:**

- Keeping families close
- Facilitating peer to peer support
- Having staff on hand to lend a listening ear
- Alleviating stress and anxiety
- Reducing financial burden



## Committees for RMHC Events:

### Cycle - April

Marian Carroll  
Jenny Farrell  
Geraldine Gleeson  
Joe Kenny  
Sharon Keogh  
Joanne Kiely

### Golf - June

Marian Carroll  
Joe Kenny  
Sharon Keogh  
Joanne Kiely  
Richard Boland

### Wear Your Stripes

Marian Carroll  
Joe Kenny  
Sharon Keogh  
Joanne Kiely  
Nicole Nolan  
Families around  
the country

### Ball - November

Marian Carroll  
Joe Kenny  
Sharon Keogh  
Joanne Kiely  
Nicole Nolan  
Patricia Nolan  
Patricia O' Cleary



**'Childhood illness has such a huge impact on a family; By working with RMHC I get to play a tiny part in seeing more focus on the "wellness" of the family unit as a whole'.** Ruth Scott, RMHC Ireland ambassador

## Ambassadors for RMHC Ireland



Brenda  
O'Donohue



Johnie  
Murphy



Shane  
Jennings



Dr. Marc  
O'Griofa



Maurice  
McGeehan



Ruth  
Scott



2019 demonstrated, yet again, the wonderful support Ronald McDonald House Charities, Ireland receives from so many. The generosity of individuals and corporations who donated in 2019 is not only appreciated by the Charity but also by the 296 families who stayed with us during the year.

In 2019 we raised €1,336,408. This incredible support allows us to operate The House, look after our families every day and assists us greatly as we look to fund the building of a New Ronald McDonald House which we intend to open alongside the New Children's Hospital on the St. James's Campus in 2023.

The Ronald McDonald House Charity Ireland is committed to efficiency, transparency and accountability to ensure the funds we receive are used to benefit the families we serve. We have adopted the use of Charities SORP (FRS102) in our financial statements for 2019. Our full Audited Accounts for 2019 are available on our website [www.rmhc.ie](http://www.rmhc.ie)

**David Bobbett**  
Treasurer RMHC Ireland



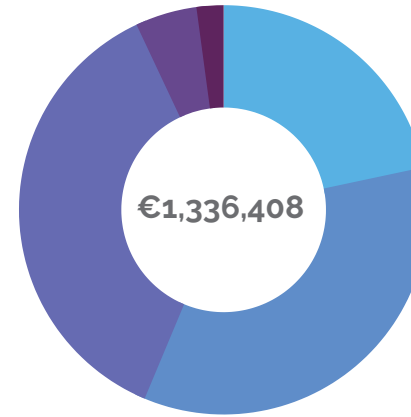
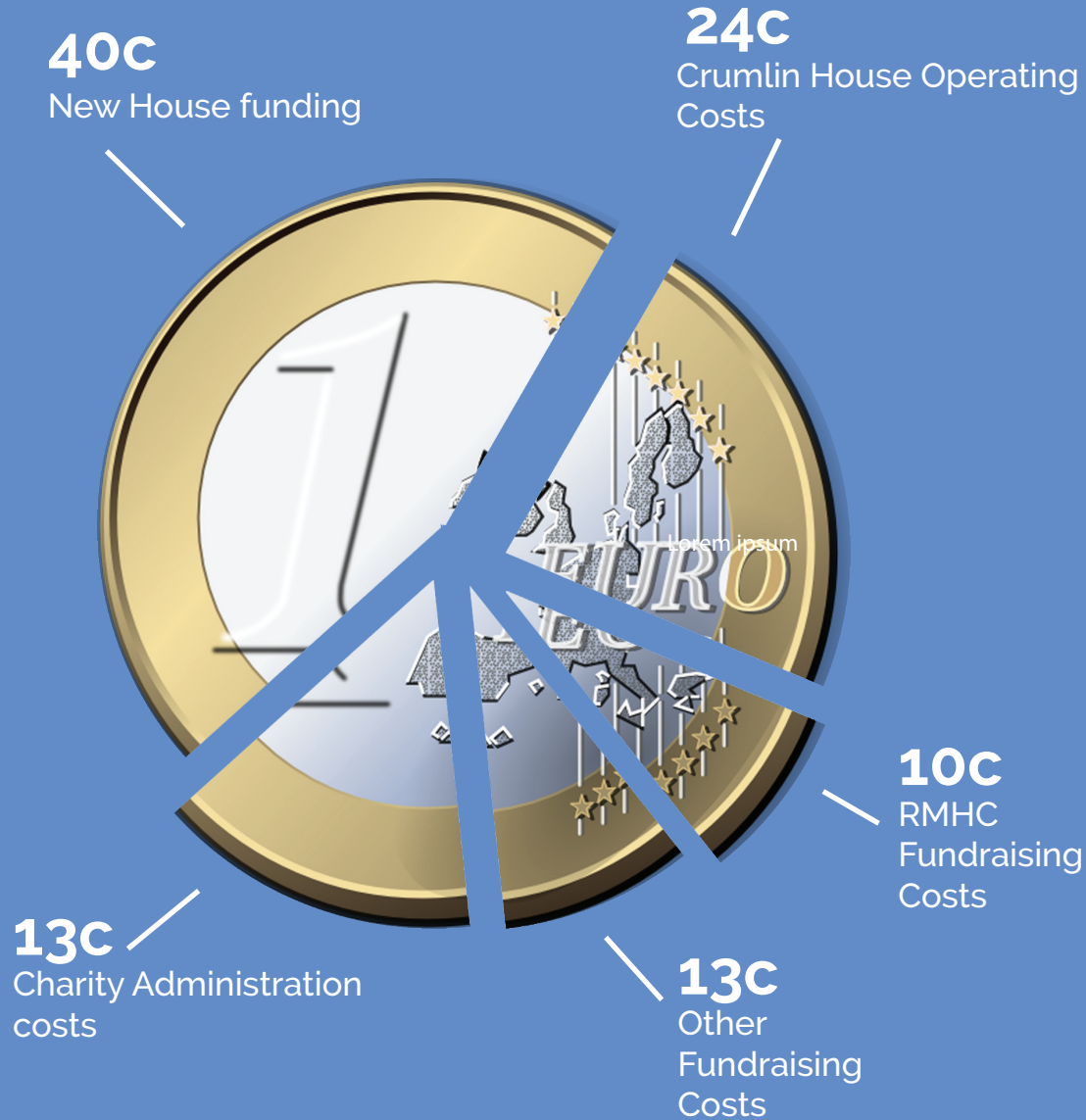
**OVER €700,000 SAVED  
ANNUALLY BY IRISH FAMILIES IN  
OUT OF POCKET ACCOMMODATION,  
MEALS AND PARKING EXPENSES  
BECAUSE OF RMHC IRELAND**  
(WORLDWIDE: \$930 MILLION)



'I never thought I would need charity but when my daughter was gravely ill the Ronald McDonald House was a god send'.



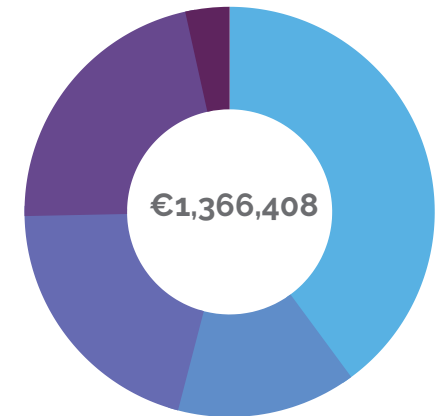
Every €1 you kindly donated in 2019 was spent in the following way in order to help families going through a very difficult time.



Source of Funds

	€
RMHC Fundraising Events	282,684
McDonald's Customer Donations	452,353
Other Donations and Fundraising	510,002
Crumlin House income	63,526
Investment income	27,843
<b>Total income</b>	<b>1,336,408</b>

Use of Funds



	€
Crumlin House Operating Costs	318,893
RMHC Event Fundraising Costs	133,644
Other Fundraising Costs	175,388
RMHC Administration Costs	174,691
New House Funding	533,792
<b>Total use of funds</b>	<b>1,336,408</b>



With only 2 full-time staff member and 11 part time staff a considerable amount of work was done by RMHC Ireland in 2019 by some very special and dedicated people. We could not look after our families without the help and support of our staff and our many wonderful volunteers. I thank each and every one of you for helping our families through very difficult times.

In 2019 we cared for 296 families from 30 different counties. In November 2019 we celebrated 15 years of caring for families. Since 2004 we are proud to say that we have cared for in excess of 4,073 families. Always remember it is not numbers that makes our House a Home. It's the people - the staff, the volunteers, the families and the community. It is the warmth, the sharing of joy and sorrow, the listening ear, the supportive hug, the courage and the love that makes our House a Home.

In addition to our Staff & Volunteers we have so many individuals and companies who make a special effort to help us throughout the year. I would like to say a special Thank You to all of you. Looking after our Families is possible because of your support and generosity. A full list of all our sponsors, donors and supporters can be found at the back of this report.

In March 2019 we heard the sad new of the passing of John Blake, McDonald's Owner Operator in Cork. John was always an incredible supporter of the work of RMHC Ireland. He is sadly missed by all of us here who knew him. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam dilis.

In 2019 we continued to work very closely with Children's Health Ireland, The New Children's Hospital Development Board and the HSE with a view to providing a new 53 bedroom Ronald McDonald House alongside the New Children's Hospital. Raising the necessary €19 million remains a challenge but a challenge we face everyday with determination and enthusiasm knowing that families will need us to provide the care and support they will need when their children will be long term ill in The New Children's Hospital.

Throughout 2020 we will continue to provide accommodation, care and support for 20 families every night whose children will be inpatient in Our Lady's Hospital in Crumlin. We will also continue to raise the funds that are required to provide our service here in Crumlin and help us build our New House alongside the New Children's Hospital.

We are delighted to share our journey with our many friends and supporters and we kindly ask you to continue to support us as you have so generously done for over fifteen years. With your help we will continue to keep families close and together at a very difficult time in their lives.

### **Marian Carroll**

C.E.O Volunteer RMHC Ireland



**'It made a very difficult situation bearable for us, which is a hard thing to achieve considering the situation we were in'.**





Marian Carroll  
CEO (Volunteer)



Kevin Keenan  
Financial Officer



Joe Kenny  
Head of Operations



Sharon Keogh  
Community Fundraising  
& Events Manager



Louise Quail  
Charity & Corporate  
Relationship Manager



Nicole Nolan  
Charity & Corporate  
Relationship Manager



Joanne Kiely  
Digital Media  
& Design



Patricia O'Cleary  
Charity Administrator



Sandra Seery  
Assistant  
House Manager



Jenny Farrell  
Assistant  
House Manager



Ellen Kearney  
Assistant  
House Manager



Joan Power  
House Keeper



Sandra Fogarty  
House Keeper



Catherine Cheng  
House Keeper

our  
Families  
do not  
live in our  
Workplace  
we work in their  
Home

'I cannot express how highly I think of RMHC and it's staff. The kindness shown to us was second to none. Kindness we will always be grateful for and never forget'.





My name is **Celine Langan** and I am a volunteer in the Ronald McDonald House in Crumlin. I have been volunteering there for a little over a year.

The first people I met were Jenny and Sandra and they were very welcoming.

I love coming in and helping out as much as I can and meeting the families. The place is like a home from home as a lot of the families refer to it. It is a warm, safe haven for all of those who avail of it and the staff are second to none.

*'It's a very rewarding and heart-warming job and I hope to stay for as long as they need me!'*



Gemma O'Connell, Dip, NT, mNTOI



Edelle O'Doherty-Nickels, BSc, PGDip, Teg NT, AFMCP

### ViVace Wellbeing in Mind

Stepping through the doors, that first day, we were struck by the warmth and welcome we received. Crumlin hospital is a place filled with sick children but incredibly the House is an oasis of calm and happiness.

We feel truly privileged to volunteer at The Ronald McDonald House. Meeting the parents and interacting with them in this small way has been so rewarding for us and we can only hope that it has helped the parents too.

**At RMHC Ireland volunteers are the heart of our team.  
Thank you for your continued dedication.**

Áine Clarke, Amanda O Reilly, Amy Burke, Amy Macken, Angela McDonnell, Anne Donegan, Anne Smyth, Arkadiusz Skrzypczyk, Ayesha Shah, Ben Houton, Bernie Carroll, Brendan Carrigan, Caoimhe O Reilly, Ceara Seery, Celine Langan, Christina Ek, Daniel Jackman, Devin Lin, Deborah Byrne, Eileen Mitchell, Emer Dwan, Emer Keating, Enda Lyons, Eoin Jewell, Esther Adanikin, Fionnán Hyland, Ger Gleeson, Hannah Neylin, Ian Carroll, Iris Hilderbrand, Ivy Keohane, Jean Reddy, Mairéad Moran, Maksymillian Frackowiak, Margaret Brogan, Maria O Halloran, Marian Carroll, Martin Knowles, Mary Hurley, Maura Byrne, Mia Kulkarni, Michael Comerford, Michelle Cafferkey, Moira O Flaherty, Niel Eryk De Torres, Paul Hamilton, Rachel Dunne, Rachel Stines, Rory Saunders, Sam Hughes, Sandra Cox, Seán Mahon, Sophie Kulkarni, Susan Radburn, Theresa & Dave Harford, Therese Fagan, Thomas Hamilton, Tom Hayes, Veronica Reid





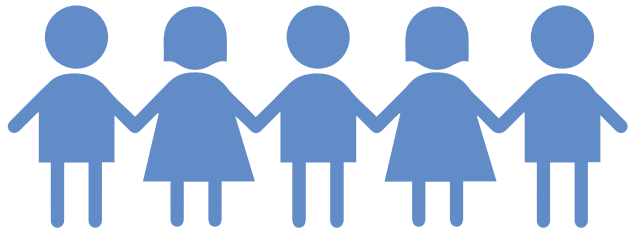
**1,869**  
**VOLUNTEERS**  
**GAVE A TOTAL OF**  
**11,083**  
**HOURS IN 2019**  
**SAVING THE CHARITY**  
**€210,080**



(WORLDWIDE: 536,213)







**OVER 4,073+**  
**FAMILIES SERVED**  
**SINCE 2004**

(WORLDWIDE 3.5 MILLION+)

## FAMILIES BY PROVINCE

Munster: 1,922 | Leinster: 901

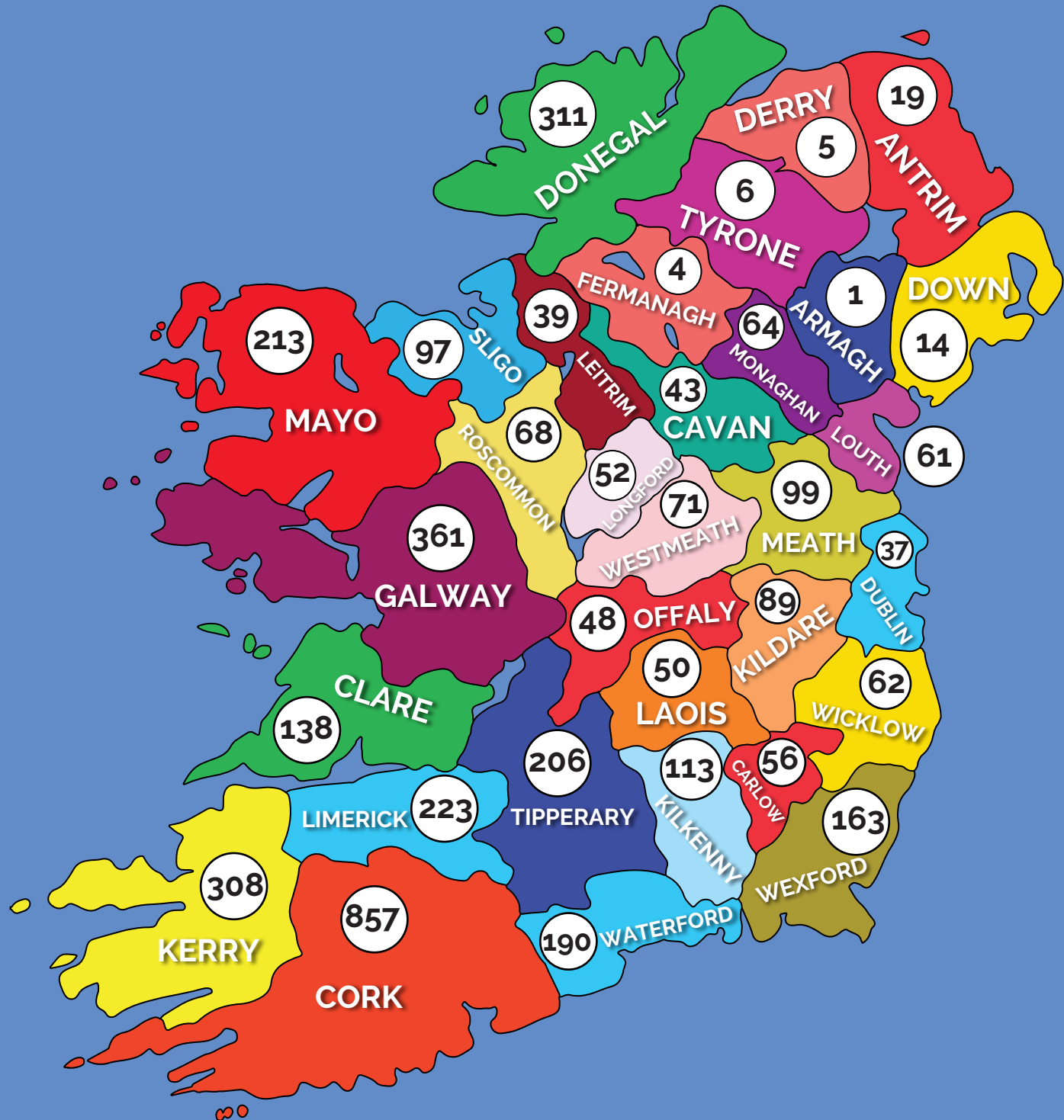
Connacht: 778 | Ulster: 467

**Total Bed Nights: 96,204**

Families Outside Ireland

London: 2 | Netherlands: 1

Morocco: 1 | Slovak Republic: 1





ONE  
RONALD McDONALD  
**HOUSE**  
AT CRUMLIN HOSPITAL  
(20 FAMILIES)  
**NEW HOUSE**  
AT NEW CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL  
(53 FAMILIES)

(WORLDWIDE - 374 +GROWING)

**2019**  
**Impact**

Together we made a difference

Number of  
Families Served

**296**



**95.5%**  
Occupancy



Number of  
Meals Prepared

**11,700+**

'Chefs': 2,080



**24**  
Average Nights  
of stay per Family

Longest Stay

**365**  
Nights



Greatest Distance  
Travelled

**345 km**

West Cork



**11,083**

Number of  
Volunteers Hours



**30**  
Number of  
Counties Served



## The O'Loughlin Family, Co. Wexford

On the 2nd of February 2017, we welcomed our 3rd child in Wexford General Hospital. However 24 hours later Darragh began to show signs that he was not coping well. He was transferred to Our Lady's Hospital Crumlin via ambulance and was admitted to the Children's Heart Centre.

Over the next few hours a Cardiologist came to explain that our son had a Complex Heart Defect. At 2 days old, he had his first investigative Cath Lab procedure and was scheduled for Open Heart Surgery at 6 days old. This surgery was an in-term surgery to give him some support to allow to get bigger and stronger before he needed his Repair Surgery.

We got a room in Ronald McDonald House. It is difficult to put into words what a difference this made us. We had 2 children at home, who could only come up for day visits prior to this, and although they wanted to come to visit, a hospital is not a place for healthy, active children. A room in the House meant that we could all stay together, sit down to a meal together, play in the playroom and visit the hospital.

Our children called it the 'Holiday House', they loved to come to visit. It was a place, we could sit with our parents, family or friends who visited and drink a cup of tea, it was a place to come at the end of a long, stressful day in the Hospital and sit down and unwind and try to feel 'normal', a friendly chat, a quiet moment, a place to enjoy a healthy, home-cooked meal, a place to get a good night's sleep to get up next day and go through the same, long hospital day.

We went on to spend a further 7 weeks in ICU recovering surgery, extending our admission to 19 weeks. We have had 2 more admissions in Crumlin Hospital and both times have been lucky to get a room here. I could not have imagined spending all this time in Crumlin Hospital without our room in The Ronald McDonald House.

We continue to support RMHC anytime we can through fundraising efforts. We have returned as a family to cook for current families staying there and have donated monies raised from a coffee morning our family organised. Thank you for your amazing work and I cannot express the difference it has made to our family.



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## The Nee Family, Co. Donegal

Ronald McDonald House was such a blessing to us while our baby Noah received life saving treatment in Crumlin Children's Hospital. We stayed at the house on two separate occasions while Noah underwent open heart surgery for his complex cardiac condition.

When Noah was born he was airlifted from Letterkenny to Crumlin. It was such a stressful and worrying time. You don't really stop to think about the practicalities of being so swiftly uprooted from home to a hospital when you have such a critically ill baby. Ronald McDonald House meant we didn't have to worry about where we would stay and the associated financial burden.

Ronald McDonald House was our home while we couldn't be at home. The staff were so kind and supportive and it was a place where we could get some respite after long draining days in the hospital.

Above everything, the House helped us to stay close together as a family. Not only were we able to be close to Noah, but our other three children were able to stay with us. That really helped to cushion the disruption to family life. Being able to share a meal together and spend some quality time together meant so much. Our children loved the House! They loved the ice-cream fridge and the play room. They made friends and were able to have some fun.

We're very grateful to Ronald McDonald House because they helped to limit the impact on family life for us at that time. And even through a very traumatic time we have some lovely memories!



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Valentine's Day  
Maurice McGeehan & Airbnb



Ardmac - New Play Area



Georga & Conor Wafer  
Christmas Dinner



Ma's on a Mission - Toy Donation

St Patricks, Athletic Football Club  
Toy Donation





**Chefs 4 Families**  
Airbnb HQ

**Guinness World Record**  
Largest Human House | 787 Humans  
Trinity Gaels GAA Club

**Miles for Smiles**  
14 Hospitals | 20 Counties

**Tour De Picnic**  
Dublin to Stradbally

**Athea Wear Your Stripes**  
Athea, Co Limerick

**State Street Fashion Show**  
Dublin Docklands





Dorney Family  
€6,500



Brunton Family  
€5,853



McEntee Family  
€5,609.89



Kevin's Day  
€2,000.00





12 Marathons in 12 Months  
Cliff Browne - €2,940.00



Hell and Back  
Keating Construction - €4,000

Colour Dash  
Loretto Wexford College - €7,168



Edenderry Fireman Run  
€5,901.21





Annual Charity Cycle  
May - €23,404.17



Annual Golf Classic  
June - €28,907.05



Wear your Stripes  
Annual National Fundraiser  
October - €51,516.81



Annual Gala Ball  
November - €128,807.31





Coming home to a Home-Cooked-Meal is essential for our families. We could not run our Cooking4Families Programme without the support all these wonderful companies and individuals who donate product and/or volunteer their time.

Thank you all for helping us to look after families every day.

### Companies

A&L Goodbody, Accenture (10), Accreate, Adobe, AIB (17), Airbnb (4), Allied World (2), Amgen (2) BAML (8), Bank of Ireland (6), BMO, BMS (3), BNY Mellon, Brosna Educational Centres Clg (2), Brown Thomas (2), CAE (12), Caretua (2), CNP Santander Insurance (2), Datadog, Dell EMC (12) Deloitte (4), Dillon Solicitors (2), DIT, Dublin Outreach (2), Dunboyne Castle Hotel and Spa (2), DWF, Dylan Hotel, East Coast Bake House (2), Elavon (2), Eldron Property Consultants, Eleven, Ely University Centre (2), Equinix, Experian, Genomics Medicine Ireland (2), HarbourVest Partners, Home Instead Senior Care, ICCL, Irish Life (7), Josh's Place Cafe & Bistro, Kerry Group (3), Keys & Strings School of Music, La Rousse, Lewis Silkin, LIA (3), Oracle Ireland, Macquarie Bank, Mallinckrodt Pharmaceuticals (3), Mastercard (8), McDonald's Bangor (2) McDonald's Castlereagh, McDonald's Ilac Centre, McDonald's Kilkenny, McDonald's Naas, McDonalds Westwood, Microsoft, Morgan McKinley, New Relic (3), McDonald's Newbridge, Optum (2), Permanent TSB (15), PJ Hegarty & Sons (3), PwC (3), RBC (2), Sage (2), Salesforce (19), SAP (2), Service Now (3), St. Andrews College, State Street (18), Surmodics, Symantec, TCP Homecare (6), Telefonica (2), The Firm Hospitality Recruitment, UDG Healthcare (2), Ulster Bank (3), VHI, Walkers Global, Wipro, Zendesk.

### Individuals

Adrienne Canavan, Aimee Wetzel (3), Áine Clarke (2), Alpana Delaney (4), Amy McGuire, Anne & Therese (8) Anne Marie Lally (2), Aria Thomas, Ashleigh Mooney, Audrey Keegan, Brendan Carrigan (44), David Harford (2), Derrick Feerick, Duff & Phelps, Eoghan O'Reilly, Eoin O'Connor, Jennifer Morris, Karen Atherfold, Katrina Mooney (4), Lisa Murphy Family, Louise Pim (3), Miriam Chitsa, Niamh O'Shaughnessy, Nicola Dunne, Rose Marie O'Loughlin, Sarah Egan, Sarah Murray (4), Sarah Walsh, Seán Mahon (44), Stuart, Teresa Harford, Vivienne Storan.



#COOKING4FAMILIES  
MEALS PREPARED ANNUALLY  
**11,700+**  
CHEFS - 2,080



'Rosie & Jim have been involved with the Ronald McDonald House Charities in Crumlin Children's Hospital for the last four years, where we have been delighted to provide food for the families of children staying in the hospital.

The charity is close to our hearts along with the people who give up their time to help see the House run smoothly and keep families together while their children are being treated.'



Alliance Mechanical, Ardmac, Ballymaguire Foods, Belling, Bewleys, Bizimply, BM Glass Coatings, Castle Computers, Child's Play Creche, Couverture Desserts, Diamond Furniture, Down2Earth Materials, Doyles Fruit & Veg, Dulux, Dyson, FoodCloud, General Mills, Gerard Byrne, Glenpac, Glory Ireland, GSLS, Higgins & Co, Hugh Jordan, ION Solutions, Irish Papers, James Whelan Butchers, Kaneco, Keelings, Kelsius, KLM Fire, La Rousse Foods, Liam Boland, Lyreco, Ma's on a Mission, Microsoft, Musgraves, Nespresso, O'Meara Camping, Paul & Thomas Hamilton Plumbing, Reckitt Benckiser, REW Electrical, Roschem Ltd., Rosie & Jim, State Street, Take Them a Meal, Terry Daly, Tesco, Thorntons, Three Ireland, Tom Whelan Butcher, Vivace, Watermans Printers, Woodies Naas Rd



'Knowing that we are so close to our baby is important to us and your House provides this, being on the grounds of the hospital. It is also wonderful knowing that our families are welcome to stay with us or visit us.'

RMHC Ireland can only continue our work thanks to our many wonderful and generous supporters. The people and companies that support RMHC Events. The people who organise fundraising events for us. The people who run marathons for us. The people who donate their loose change into our collection boxes. We are grateful to each and everyone of you.

### Main Donors 2019

Adobe Foundation | McDonald's UK & Ireland | Royal Bank of Canada | Airbnb  
Marcon Fit-Out | Permanent TSB | Dawn Meats Group | SA Coca-Cola Services  
Apple | Keating Construction | Martin Brower Ireland Ltd | Kerry Group

### McDonald's Owner Operators, Staff and \*Customers

We very much appreciate the support and commitment we receive every year from the Irish McDonald's Owner Operators, their staff and their customers.

Aaron Byrne, Amir Afsar, Bernard Byrne, Brenda O'Loughlin, Christopher Pim, Chris Pocock, Elaine Sterio, Gerry Hayden, James Perry, Jim Ronayne, Jimmy Edwards, Joe Byrne, John Gallagher, Kieran McDermott, Mark O'Halloran, Martin Hoban, Morgan McStay, Phil Danaher, Rhoda Cramp, Richard McNamara, Séamus Rawle and Seán Quirke.

\*In 2019 McDonald's Customers kindly donated €452,356



Noah & Connor Langan stayed in The Ronald McDonald House with their Mum & Dad, Louise & Damien, this year while Noah was a patient in Our Lady's Children's Hospital.

The Langan family from Belmullet, Co. Mayo would like to thank you for helping to provide The Ronald McDonald House and for keeping their family close.



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**Thank you for keeping  
my family close to me.**





### The New Children's Hospital

A New Children's Hospital is currently under construction on the grounds of St James's Hospital in Dublin. The hospital will be built on a 6.3 hectare site on the campus of the south inner city hospital and will be opened by Q1 2023.

The New Children's Hospital is the most significant capital investment project ever undertaken in healthcare in Ireland. It will merge the three current children's hospitals - Temple Street, Crumlin and Tallaght at a single site.

### New Ronald McDonald House

RMHC Ireland continue to work closely with the CHI Board, the New Hospital Development Board and the HSE in order to build and operate a new 53 bedroom Ronald McDonald House alongside the new hospital.

Raising the €19 million required to build the new House is a serious challenge but one we face with enthusiasm and determination as we know families whose children will be inpatient at the new hospital will need the first class care and comfort only a Ronald McDonald House can provide.

### New Ronald McDonald House Sponsorship Opportunities

Many Thanks to all who have already pledged to sponsor a room at our New House. Sponsorship opportunities still available.



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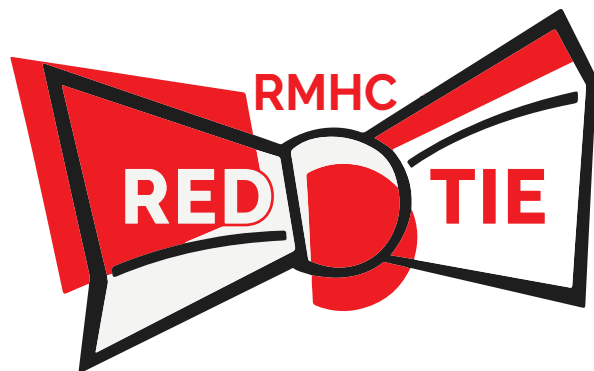
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