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WAYS TO HELP

Extend hope and healing to sick children

When something is valuable, you want to handle it with care, to preserve it so that it lasts. That same instinct also drives many of our supporters to invest in the future of Ronald McDonald House Charities® of Michiana. If our mission has positively impacted your life and you want others to benefit from that same experience, here are **four simple options** to make a meaningful gift with ease.

1 **Include RMHC® Michiana in your will or living trust.** One of the most popular and easiest ways to support our mission is to remember RMHC Michiana in your will. Adding a gift to your will or trust is actually quite easy. Simply ask your attorney to draft a codicil or an amendment to the existing document. If you don't have a will or trust, you will want your attorney to craft a new document that includes your gift.

For sample language that you can share with your attorney to complete a gift in your will or trust, please contact us.

2 **Name RMHC Michiana as a beneficiary of a retirement account.** This arrangement is one of the most tax-smart ways to support RMHC Michiana after your lifetime. If your loved ones are the beneficiaries of your retirement plans, federal income taxes alone can erode a significant percentage of the amount they receive from your plan.

To arrange this gift, contact your plan administrator for a change-of-beneficiary form. Name RMHC Michiana, along with the percentage you would like us to receive, on the beneficiary form. Then return the form to your plan administrator.

3 **Designate RMHC Michiana as a beneficiary of a life insurance policy.** This is a low-cost way to make a large gift. When you first bought a life insurance policy, you most likely wanted to protect the financial stability of your family should anything happen to you. If your circumstances have changed so that the original purpose for the protection no longer applies, we hope you'll consider naming RMHC Michiana as a beneficiary of a policy so we can use your gift after your lifetime to keep families with sick children together.

To complete your future gift, contact your insurance company or agent and request a beneficiary designation form. Then mail it back to the insurance company.

4 **Provide support with your bank and brokerage accounts.** Most states allow you to designate loved ones and favorite causes to benefit from your bank account after your passing. In fact, this is one of the most straightforward ways to extend your support for RMHC Michiana into the future.

For us to benefit from your checking account, savings account or CDs, you must make them payable on death* to RMHC Michiana. To leave us funds from your brokerage or investment accounts, you must place a transfer on death* designation on them. Simply contact your bank representative or broker for instructions on how to complete your gift.



Have a Question?
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Please contact us to learn more about easy ways to leave a legacy of hope.

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* State laws govern payable-on-death accounts and transfer-on-death accounts. Consult with your bank representative or investment advisor to consider these types of gifts.