



Ronald McDonald House Charities Northern Alberta Celebrates 30 Years **Since 1985 the organization has been helping families in times of need**

(August 14th, 2015, Edmonton, Alberta – For Immediate Release) RMHCNA is excited to kick off their 30th anniversary celebrations. Since its doors opened on August 15th, 1985, the House has had nearly 19,000 families stay and use the facilities provided.

“We have had so many people come through our doors, we want to take this year to reach out to all of the families who have been a part of the Ronald McDonald House”, says Martin Dugas, CEO of Ronald McDonald House. “We want to hear from our past families, volunteers and partners who have made the House what it is today. We are asking all of those people, and anyone with a connection to the House, to reach out through social media using #DearRMHCNA”, he continues.

To kick off the 30th year celebrations, the Ronald McDonald House is hosting a birthday celebration with families and volunteers and launching the #DearRMHCNA hashtag as well as a website to collect messages and photos from past and current families, volunteers and partners. To see the website you can visit www.dearrmhcna.ca.

“We have had so many incredible people support the families that have stayed here, we want to engage with the community, the volunteers, and the partners and help share their experiences of being a part of the RMHCNA team”, says Suzanne Pescod, Director of Communications with RMHCNA.

Recently the Ronald McDonald House hosted their third annual Block Party in honour of the community which attracted 10,000 people on July 26th, 2015. The fourth annual Block Party is scheduled for June 26th, 2016.

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About Ronald McDonald House Charities® Northern Alberta

All Ronald McDonald Houses are independently owned and operated non-profit organizations. Ronald McDonald House Charities® Northern Alberta (RMHCNA) is the only facility in Edmonton and the surrounding area that provides temporary and affordable accommodation for families whose children are being treated in one of Edmonton’s medical facilities. In 2014, 25% of the families who used RMHCNA were from the Peace Region.

Website: www.rmhcna.org.