Dear Friend,

The past few years have brought on many changes to our lives. In 2022, RMHC of Arkoma faced our own shifts but continued to grow our program operations. With our CEO of 12 years, Stephanie Medford, stepping down to spend more time with her family - a task encompassing the mission of Ronald McDonald House Charities - the RMHC of Arkoma Board of Directors voted me in to continue leading this organization. I have been with RMHC of Arkoma for ten years as Program Director, Chief Operations Officer, and now the new President and CEO. I look forward to leading this compassionate and astounding organization.

This past year we brought exciting growth to our organization, with myself taking the lead, to having our first year of operations in our stand-alone Ronald McDonald House at Mercy Fort Smith. In 2022, we were able to start our first Giving Society, raise \$620,500 in event fundraising alone, increase our overall operations budget and sustain it, gain **795** new donors, and gain two new full-time staff members to help fundraise and promote the mission of RMHC of Arkoma. Each year, even through changes in leadership and staff, RMHC of Arkoma continues to grow and serve families with children in critical care, and the diligent support from our community humbles us.

Because of your support, we can continue serving families during a scary and vulnerable time in their lives. We look forward to an excellent 2023 - thank you for standing with us.

Sincerely,



President and CEO





## **OUR 2022 IMPACT**

RMHC of Arkoma has been able to serve over 17,000 children and families families since 1999 through our Houses, Family Rooms, and Ronald McDonald Care Mobile, saving families \$1,700 per week on average.







**258**kids treated on our
Care Mobile

\$232,267

Provided in dental procedures

2,274

Procedures performed

\$4.2 Million

Provided in services since 2010



**1,311** families served



**5,033** overnight stays



Average Length of Stay

8.5 nights

\$123

Saved **per night** by families on food, lodging, and other expenses



**Top Patient Served:**Neonatal Intensive Care Unit



\$150,000

saved in meal expenses for families





5,056 meals served

3,352
volunteer service
hours



1. Our Director Of Goodness (D.O.G), Archie, turned 1 in 2022! Archie continues to be an exciting and comforting furry friend to families at the Ronald McDonald House, while they are going through a challenging and turbulent time.

2. The Ronald McDonald House at Mercy in Fort Smith celebrated its first year of operation in November 2022! For the first time since opening, our Fort Smith Programs did not turn a single family away. We were able to serve 191 families at the House alone!

3. Share-A-Meal donors continued to bring meals each night for families staying at all four Ronald McDonald Programs. Community members are able to cook or cater in hot meals, relieving a burden from parents during a stressful and uncertain time.