

## END OF THE YEAR PLEA

As the year ends and the holiday season begins, we hope you will remember folks who may not be able to be home with their families for the festivities. Some of those folks will have children in hospitals being treated for accidents and illnesses. Instead of being home, they will spend their holidays...some of them all year long...at the Ronald McDonald House.

Our House, located at 2415 South 47<sup>th</sup> Street, Temple, TX 76504, provides a safe, comfortable home away from home where families can have a home-like feeling and be together as a family and with families in similar situations. Our staff and volunteers provide meals, treats, gifts, and special activities to lessen the effect of being away from home.

You can help these families by providing meals, snacks, and monetary donations to keep our House running smoothly. Donations to RMHC of Temple are tax deductible under current tax laws. RMHC is a not for profit, 501(c)(3) entity, tax identification number 74-2345274.

Dillard's Department stores are selling SOUTHERN LIVING CHRISTMAS COOKBOOKS with proceeds benefiting local Ronald McDonald Houses. Sales in Temple, Killeen, and Waco Dillard's will benefit the Temple Ronald McDonald House. The cookbooks sell for \$10 each.

Another way you can support our House is through our Light a Light; Share a Night event that will be Tuesday, December 5, 2017, from 5 until 7 p.m. The outside of the House will be decorated with lights by Christmas Décor; the inside will be decorated by volunteers; and the party will be hosted by Ronald McDonald, Santa Claus, and KWTX Meteorologist Brady Taylor. There will be entertainment by students from Scott Elementary School and Temple High School. Lights may be "sponsored" as a memorial or honorarium. The honoree will be notified of the gift, but not the amount of the gift. The suggested donation amount is \$10 per light, which is the amount each family is asked to pay for a night's stay here.

The lights on the House will remain lit nightly through the end of the year. Drive by to see them...it'll brighten your holidays! We're located behind Hobby Lobby.

From our House to yours...best wishes for a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and a happy, healthy, and prosperous new year!