



**Ronald McDonald House Charities®
of Greater Chattanooga**

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Dear [Last Name] Family,

There's a famous Mr. Rogers' quote that has been so true during this pandemic, "When I was a boy and would see scary things in the news, my mother would say to me, 'Look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping.'" There have been so many "helpers" and unsung heroes during the past year, but **YOU are one of our helpers.** And we are so grateful for you.

We will remember 2020 as the year the COVID-19 pandemic changed everything. We had to adapt quickly while bearing an unprecedented strain on our resources. All the while, childhood illnesses, injuries and premature babies didn't stop. Families with sick children continued to turn to us for support.



The Hayes Family from Dalton tells the story of their 121-day stay at Erlanger beginning in May and how being able to stay at the Ronald McDonald House was such a blessing despite the restrictions needed to keep everyone safe. I was so touched by their perspective of what we provide, so I hope you'll take a minute and read the entire story on our website - SHAREANIGHTCHATT.COM.

As we kick off the **2021 Share-A-Night Campaign**, thank you for caring about sick kids and their families. Your generosity has kept our programs going during these critical times, and we absolutely couldn't have done it without you. **BUT, our work is far from over.**

With so many people impacted by the health and financial crisis, we know even more families will need our help in the coming months. Will you support our Share-A-Night Fund with your donation? That way, families like the Hayes won't have to worry about anything but their child.

Thank you,

Jane L. Kaylor
President & CEO, RMHC of Greater Chattanooga

P.S. It costs us \$75 per night to provide our services to 1 family. Please consider sharing one or more nights!

▼ Please detach this form and return it along with your contribution in the enclosed envelope. ▼

Your donation to RMHC® helps support families and keep them close to the care their sick child needs.

YES, I would like to be a member of the Caring & Comforting Hearts Monthly Giving Club. Here's my gift of:

- \$30 per month \$60 per month other \$_____

YES, I would like to help families stay close to their sick child. Here's my one-time gift

- \$75 \$150 \$225 \$300 My best gift \$_____

Name _____ Phone () _____

Billing Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

- My check is enclosed charge my: Visa MasterCard AMEX Discover

Card # _____ Exp. _____

CVV _____ Signature _____

Name **(required for monthly giving):** _____

- Bill me: monthly quarterly
 annually during the month of: _____

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- I have included RMHC of Greater Chattanooga in my Estate Plans.
- Please remove my name from your mailing list.

**You may also make a secure donation at
SHAREANIGHTCHATT.COM**

**Thank you for helping keep families close
and giving them hope with your
2021 Share-A-Night gift!**

22 Weeks

On May 19, Annie went to a regularly scheduled appointment at 22 weeks with a specialist in Chattanooga.

"As soon as I got there I knew it was strange because I couldn't see the baby on the ultrasound. After looking at my file they believed I had ruptured around 17 weeks. They had to tell me "if" I was still pregnant in two weeks they would admit me to the hospital for the last term of my pregnancy. They had to tell me there was a significant chance that my baby would not be viable even if I could continue the pregnancy."



Throughout 2020, families with sick children continued to turn to us for support.



John was born July 13 at 30 weeks weighing 3 pounds and 11 ounces. During his time in the NICU his main struggle was tachypnea - abnormally rapid breathing - because of his underdeveloped lungs.

25 NIGHTS AT THE HOUSE

"I just felt so much guilt over not being able to keep my baby safe. I was just hitting that point where I was feeling so defeated. Coming to the House just gave me so much support and love and faith that it was going to be okay. Everyone at the House kind of understood."

SHARE-A-NIGHT 2021



This year we begin our **30th year** of doors open to families in need of a "home away from home" close to their sick or injured child in the hospital. **With so many people impacted by the health and financial crisis in 2020, we know even more families will need our help in the coming months.**

We are asking you to celebrate and help by increasing your monthly gift during 2021. Become a member of the **Caring and Comforting Hearts Club** and increase your gift to \$30 a month this year. You will help 5 families like the Hayes' stay close. It equals out to just \$1 a day! Sign up now at: **SHAREANIGHTCHATT.COM.**



Whether you give one time or join the monthly giving club, your gift will help a family stay close to their child in the hospital. **THANK YOU** for giving families **HOPE** and helping keep them close!

Will you support the Share-A-Night Fund with your donation? Help families like the Hayes' TODAY.