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Lend a Helping Hand at the CNY Ronald McDonald House *Local nonprofit organization seeks summer volunteers*

SYRACUSE, N.Y. – Ronald McDonald House Charities® of Central New York is encouraging community-minded individuals to sign up to volunteer this summer at the CNY Ronald McDonald House. The local nonprofit organization relies heavily on volunteers to assist with preparing home-cooked meals, providing office support and participating in general housekeeping duties. The generosity and support of volunteers helps the organization save approximately \$100,700 annually in service hours.

“Volunteers are truly the heart of our home,” said Beth Trunfio, executive director, Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central New York. “Without their support, we would not be able to provide the services that we offer at the CNY Ronald McDonald House and continue to make it a comfortable place to stay for families that are going through the unthinkable.”

The House serves as a temporary home for families who travel to Syracuse from across New York state and northern Pennsylvania, and in some cases, foreign countries. The House provides the convenience of a private room and warm bed, a home-cooked meal and supportive environment, all while keeping families whose children are seriously ill or injured close to Syracuse-area hospitals and medical centers.

Interested adults and students over the age of 18 are invited to apply to become volunteers. For more information or to fill out an online volunteer application visit www.rmhcny.org or email volunteer@rmhcny.org.

About Ronald McDonald House Charities® of Central New York: Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central New York operates the CNY Ronald McDonald House 24 hours a day, year-round for families whose children are hospitalized with serious illnesses or injuries. For just \$25 a night per family, the House provides the convenience of a comfortable room and warm bed, a home-cooked meal, and support and compassion. The fully accessible CNY Ronald McDonald House allows the organization to help keep even more families with seriously ill children together. In 2017, the nonprofit organization celebrated its 35th anniversary.

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