

Ronald McDonald House®

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE OF SNJ

Camden nonprofit looking for concierge drivers and family room assistants

(CAMDEN, NJ) – Ronald McDonald House of Southern New Jersey has always relied on volunteers to help it provide a home-away-from home for seriously ill children and their families. Currently, the House is looking for volunteers to serve as Volunteer Concierge Drivers and Family Room Assistants.

The Volunteer Concierge Driver Program provides transportation for the many families staying at the House who do not have their own vehicle but must travel for specialized treatment throughout the area. Volunteer drivers must be at least 25 years of age, have a good driving record and make a commitment to one day a week for three hours for one year. The shifts are morning, afternoon or evening providing transportation to/from the hospital, pharmacy, personal shopping, activities and events. Training, directions, insurance and the Ronald House vehicle will be provided.

“Our drivers live locally; they know the area and are able to take our guests with care,” said Sonia Mixter Guzman, House Manager. “They get to know the families and are motivated by the appreciation of families and staff. The smiles and friendship will warm your heart.”

Family Room Assistants welcome parents to a friendly, comforting setting while their child is in the pediatric unit of a South Jersey hospital. Each location is unique but all family room volunteers will know the simple pleasure of meeting families and offering a donated snack and beverage. Family Room Assistants must be at least 18 years of age and must serve at least one specific 3-hour shift a week at one of the following locations:

- AtlantiCare - Atlantic City & Pomona
- Shore Memorial - Somers Point
- Kennedy Health - Washington Township
- South Jersey Healthcare - Vineland
- Virtua Health - Voorhees
- Cooper University Hospital - Camden
- Virtua Memorial – Mt. Holly
- Capital Health - Trenton

“The wonderful thing about volunteering is that the time commitment is up to the individual,” said Dawn Ellis, Family Room Manager. “Volunteering is a great opportunity for retirees looking to get out in the community or for those who have a bit of extra time and would like to help a great cause.”

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For more information about the Family Room Volunteer program or the Volunteer Concierge Driver program, contact Dawn Ellis at Ronald McDonald House of SNJ by calling (856) 966-4663 or emailing dawn@ronaldhouse-snj.com.

About the Ronald McDonald House of SNJ

Located in Camden, Ronald McDonald House of Southern New Jersey provides a home-away-from home for seriously ill children and their families. In addition to its residential facility in Camden, Ronald McDonald House operates Ronald McDonald Family Rooms, specially designed waiting areas in pediatric units of nine South Jersey hospitals, to assist families whose children are being treated in those facilities.

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