

Raising \$335,000 for Families at Orange County's Walk for Kids

ORANGE, CA, UNITED STATES, June 4, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Ronald McDonald House® Orange County (RMHOC) celebrated its 15th Walk for Kids™ on Saturday, at Championship Soccer Stadium in Irvine, CA. With over 1,000 walkers and nearly 1,000 more donors from the community, over \$335,000 was raised to support families who rely on the services, support and programs provided by RMHOC.

Featured walkers included the family who inspired the founding of Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) - Fred and Fran Hill, Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southern California (RMHCSC) Board Chair Doug Kanner, and RMHOC Board Chair Steve Tomassi.

During the opening ceremony,
Executive Director Noel Burcelis
recognized families in attendance who
have benefited from RMHC saying,
"With each person who came out
today, we're saying to you that we see
you, we see support you, we're here for
you, and we're supporting a charity
that looks to care for you."



Walkers cheering at the start line of the 2024 Walk for Kids



RMHC inspiration family, Fred and Fran Hill, receive the Top Community Award from featured alumni family, the McSherrys

The top McDonald's Owner-Operator Team Award, led by McDonald's Frisbie Management, raised over \$13,000. Team Kim Hill, led by RMHC's inspiration family, took home the Top

Community Team award with over \$31,000 raised. For the second time breaking the six-figure mark, Talonvest Capital won the award for Top Corporate Team, raising over \$110,000.

Over 150 community and corporate volunteers supported the Walk, allowing participating walkers to enjoy music, activities, and food thanks to generous sponsors:

McDonald's

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Orange County Soccer Club

Fred and Fran Hill

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Orange County Parrot Head Club

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Acme Balloon Company

Alpha Delta Pi

Kids Can Cosplay



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Aspire Bakeries
Southern California University of Health Sciences
Ingardia Bros. Produce Inc.
Family Comes First
West Coast University

Donations will continue to be received until June 15 at www.walkforkids.org/orangecounty.

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About Ronald McDonald House® Orange County:

With a mission to provide comfort, care and support, Ronald McDonald House® Orange County (RMHOC) is a program of Ronald McDonald House Charities® of Southern California and serves families with children receiving medical treatment in Orange County hospitals. 2024 is the 35th anniversary of the Orange County House that is expanding from 20 to 44 guest rooms. Services include individual guest rooms and bathrooms, House and volunteer-sponsored meals, 24-hour transportation, emotional support resources, and more. Along with its two Ronald McDonald Family Room® Programs located within children's hospitals, RMHOC will have the capacity to serve over 5,000 guests and family members each year once expansion is complete. For more information, visit RMHCSC.org/OrangeCounty.

About Ronald McDonald House Charities® of Southern California:

For over 45 years, Ronald McDonald House Charities® of Southern California (RMHCSC) has helped families with ill or injured children stay together, and close to the medical care their child needs. Through its six Ronald McDonald House® locations, three Ronald McDonald Family Rooms®, and Camp Ronald McDonald for Good Times, RMHCSC programs not only provide access to quality health care but also enable family-centered care ensuring families are fully supported and actively involved in their children's healing.

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