

9th Annual School Food Drive Giving Challenge 2019



Top 10 Needed Items by the Ronald McDonald® Care Mobile Program

The five Ronald McDonald Houses and three Ronald McDonald House Family Rooms in Chicagoland provide a 'home away from home' to keep families together while their child is in the hospital. Every night, 153 families are able to heal together because of the comfort, compassion and community found across our eight locations. The Houses allow families to eat, sleep and find the emotional support they need - just blocks from where their child is being treated. We are collecting items to bring a little comfort to each family staying at the House and to fill backpacks distributed to children seen on the Ronald McDonald Care Mobile. Studies have shown **children heal 31% faster** when their family is by their side. Your help collecting these items helps us provide 43,000 nights of care and comfort for families and health screenings, immunizations and primary care to under-served children in Chicagoland.

- 1. Canned pasta meals and soup
- 2. Unopened boxes of individually wrapped granola bars, Goldfish crackers or other snack
- 3. Snack-pack cups of fruit or applesauce
- 4. Unopened packages of single serve boxed raisins
- 5. Canned tuna or chicken
- 6. Oatmeal or cereal cups
- 7. Unopened boxes of individual oatmeal packets
- 8. Individually wrapped toothbrushes, trial size toothpaste & floss
- 9. New hats, gloves and mittens
- 10.16oz bags of rice