Ronald McDonald Haus®
Deutschland

6,406

families of seriously ill children found a temporary home at the 23 Ronald McDonald Houses in Germany in 2025.

8,729

is the number of families who were able to relax and unwind between appointments at the six Ronald McDonald Family Rooms in Germany in 2025.

As the organization that operates these facilities, the Foundation has always been part of the international Ronald McDonald House Global network, which operates 394 Ronald McDonald Houses and 275 Ronald McDonald Family Rooms in more than 60 countries.

19.7

million euros donations did the foundation earn in 2025. Approximately 9 million euros of that amount came from McDonald's Germany, franchisees, suppliers, and guests at McDonald's restaurants.

766

volunteers spent time in Ronald McDonald Houses and Family Rooms helping the families of seriously ill children in 2025.

22

is the number of years the foundation has now held the coveted DZI Seal of Approval awarded by the German Central Institute for Social Issues, which certifies that donations are used properly for the stated purposes.

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Facts & Figures

Since 1987, the foundation has been supporting families of seriously ill children in Germany. Its mission is to provide families with a temporary home and a place of refuge during their hospital stay.

Under the brand name Ronald McDonald House Germany, the foundation develops, operates, and supports programs dedicated to improving the health and well-being of children. This is accomplished through the Ronald McDonald Houses and the Ronald McDonald Family Rooms.

Ronald McDonald Houses offer families a temporary home so that they can stay in the proximity of a children's hospital where their seriously ill child is undergoing treatment. In such difficult times, having the family there with them helps the child. Ronald McDonald Houses give families a space to build up their strength, which they can then pass on to their sick children at their bedside. A study by the McDonald's Kinderhilfe Stiftung and Kantar Public proves that staying nearby in a Ronald McDonald House improves the well-being of the families, and that the parents are confident that their proximity helps their child to recover sooner. The McDonald's Kinderhilfe Stiftung runs 23 Ronald McDonald Houses in Germany.

Ronald McDonald Family Rooms are oases of calm at the heart of busy children's hospitals for little outpatients and their families. The colorful rooms are places where the whole family can wind down and take their mind off things between treatments. These oases are available to families in children's hospitals in Erlangen, Sankt Augustin, Cologne, Hamburg-Altona, Passau and Berlin-Buch.

Keeping families close

The foundation is supported by a large network. McDonald's Germany, together with its franchisees and suppliers, stands as a strong partner alongside the foundation. In addition, many companies and individuals are committed to helping the families of seriously ill children. In 2025, 766 volunteers demonstrated that community and closeness are possible even when social distancing is in place, and they were there for the families whenever circumstances allowed.

Where families stay together.

As of September 2026