



Volunteer Services Newsletter

August 2023

Summer Recap at Atlanta RMHC!

Welcome our new President & CEO, Tracey Atwater!



Tracey comes to us from LiveSafe Resources, an organization whose mission is to provide safety and healing with dignity and respect to survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault. Tracey served as its executive director for more than five years. She brings a wealth of experience in nonprofit leadership and fundraising expertise to Atlanta RMHC.

"I have a passion for serving families in crisis and have dedicated my personal and professional life to caring for those in need. I understand how family dynamics change when someone is fighting for their life...I am a fierce advocate for those in crisis, and roll my sleeves up every day to help others..." Tracey says.

[Learn more about Tracey.](#)

Beth is officially retired! Don't worry, we'll still see her and Betty Lou at our Houses. [The Fondest Farewell: Thank You for Your Leadership and Service.](#)

THANKYOU

We give a huge thank you to all of our volunteers for the countless hours you have spent supporting our two Ronald McDonald Houses. **Through July, we have welcomed more than 670 individual Guest Services volunteers, served 500+ meals and coordinated more than 100 activity nights.**

To our VolunTeens,

Thank you to our 20 VolunTeens for making this summer a huge success! We loved celebrating all of you at our [ice cream social](#). Thank you to our amazing volunteer, Allen Stegall, for making homemade ice cream for everyone to enjoy.

We hope to see many of you on [Teen Council](#), and again next summer!



Meals Heroes Needed

Ronald McDonald House near Scottish Rite:

August: 14, 15, 16 and 27

Ronald McDonald House near Eggleston:

August: 7, 12, 14, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29 and 31

Ronald McDonald Family Room:

August: 9, 13, 20, 21 and 27



Urgent Wish List Needs

- Coffee and creamer
- Individual snacks
- Breakfast items
- Paper plates and bowls
- Disposable cups (hot & cold)
- To-go-food containers



Happy Service Anniversaries!

5 years

Angie Brenneman
LuAnn Ardillo
Mayra Mirchandani

6 years

Mildred Savory
Patti Folio
Shannon Warchalowsky

7 years

Alexandra Thim
Susie Sharfman

**Fun Fact!**

You'll be able to see another full moon this month — and it's going to be a doozy!

On Wednesday, August 30, there will be a Blue Moon, which will also be the BIGGEST super moon of the year. Be sure to get out there and check it out!

**QUESTIONS?
CONTACT US!**

[April Clark](#), Director of Family and Volunteer Services

[Sarah Parrish](#), Manager of Volunteer Services

[Jamesse Webb](#), Family Room Manager

INDIVIDUAL GIVING**Happy National Make-A-Will Month!**

Writing a will can be one of the least expensive legal documents to prepare and is usually a straightforward process. The peace of mind you gain by knowing you have a valid will in place is priceless. When you write your will, consider including a future gift to Atlanta Ronald McDonald House Charities. It's a simple and meaningful way to make a lasting investment in keeping families close. Learn more [here](#) or contact Marissa Greider at 678.704.8088 or marissa.greider@armhc.org.

**UPCOMING EVENTS —
VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES****14th Annual Hearts and Hands Gala**

Join us Saturday, October 14, 2023, for our 14th Annual Hearts and Hands Gala, honoring Bob Ward, and presented by The Coca-Cola Company, at The Foundry at Puritan Mill.

Sign up [here](#) to secure your volunteer spot!

**FALL INTERNSHIPS —
still time to apply!****Family and Volunteer Services Intern**

This position is a supportive role to our operations team and assists in all aspects of assisting families staying at our Ronald McDonald Houses, as well as managing, recruiting and training volunteers. Additional responsibilities will include but are not limited to: assisting our House team with family check-ins, attending Special Events, database entry and administrative duties.

Special Events Intern

This role will focus on helping with event planning for the Charity, including guest logistics, vendor and donor communication, website copy and updates, database entry and other administrative duties. The Special Events intern must be detail-oriented, a strong written and verbal communicator and passionate about the Atlanta RMHC mission.

[Learn more about our internships and how to apply!](#)