



RMHC®  
Greater Washington, DC

## Fundraising Event Ideas to Benefit Ronald McDonald House Charities® of Greater Washington, DC (RMHCDC)

To get you started, here are a few ideas for some successful event ideas. For more information, contact Kristen Claus at [Kristen@rmhcdc.org](mailto:Kristen@rmhcdc.org) or 202-529-8204.

♥ **An "a-Thon"**: Any event can be turned into an a-Thon by making it an endurance event. You can do a rock- a-thon with a rocking chair, a read-a-thon, a dance-a-thon, a hula hoop-a-thon – use your imagination!

♥ **Fore a Good Cause**: Everyone loves a golf tournament, especially when they know it is for charity. Many of our friends have held golf tournaments and raised thousands of dollars while having fun.

♥ **Wine & Cheese Evening**: Host a wine tasting (perhaps with the help of local suppliers to provide the wine and cheese.) Sell tickets in advance (checks made payable to RMHC) and donate proceeds to RMHC. Each table could have a theme such as a particular country or wine-growing or cheese producing area.

♥ **Change Drive**: Create boxes for your friends and family to place on their dressers. At the end of the day they can drop their spare change in the box. Before the pledge deadline, gather the boxes and count the \$\$\$. Small Change makes a Big Difference.

♥ **Pop Tabs**: Collecting pop tabs is a great way to teach kids about philanthropy and the importance of recycling, and raise funds to help children and their families at the same time. Some of our Chapters raise thousands of dollars with their pop tab collections. Contact Rachel for more information: [Rachel@rmhcdc.org](mailto:Rachel@rmhcdc.org) or 703-698-7080.

### Workplace Ideas

♥ **Casual/Jeans Friday**: See if you can charge your co-workers a donation to RMHC for the privilege of coming to work in jeans.

♥ **Chili Cook-off** - Which is voted best - Texas, Cincinnati, or your original style?

### Ideas for Kids

♥ **Lemonade stand**: Especially great for the summer.

♥ **Neighborhood Flea-market**: Get neighborhood families to gather their old books, used clothes and household items to sell. Donate the proceeds to RMHC to help other kids.

♥ **Birthday Donations**: For their birthdays, kids can ask parents, friends and grand-parents to make a donation to Ronald McDonald House Charities of Greater Washington D.C. instead of buying a gift. Kids can do the same for other people's birthdays. Make up a card for the birthday person explaining that a donation was made in honor of his/her birthday.

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Thank You Very Much!