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## Press Release

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# Cooperatives Sign On To Help Kentucky's Ronald McDonald Houses

Ronald McDonald House Charities provide a “home away from home” for families attending to a child who is in the hospital.

During 2018, Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives will sponsor Ronald McDonald Houses in Lexington and Louisville, providing funds to support the facilities and also lending a hand to provide that “home” for families during their time of need.

Throughout 2018, cooperative employees and their families will volunteer occasionally to assist with providing meals, restocking supplies, cleaning and decorating at both of Kentucky's Ronald McDonald Houses.

“Ronald McDonald House Charities in Lexington and Louisville provide a priceless service to hundreds of families from throughout Kentucky,” said Sha Phillips, Marketing and Brand Supervisor for Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives. “One of the fundamental principles of our cooperatives is concern for the community, and Ronald McDonald House Charities certainly demonstrate that quality.”

“Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives are proud to sponsor Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Bluegrass and Ronald McDonald House Charities of Kentuckiana,” she said

“We are so grateful for the generosity of Touchstone Energy Cooperatives and the commitment they have shown in their time, talent, and treasure,” said Nate Graham, Executive Director of RMHC of the Bluegrass. “This is a great example of a strategic partnership that will allow both Touchstone Energy Cooperatives and RMHC of the Bluegrass to have a greater impact on the children and families we serve from all over Kentucky. Without the love, passion, and commitment from our community partners and friends we could not serve these children and families when they need us most.”

“On behalf of the families we serve at Ronald McDonald House Charities of Kentuckiana, we thank Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives for your generous support,” said Hal Hedley, Chief Executive Officer of RMHC of Kentuckiana. “We proudly provide a loving, caring “home-away-from-home” for families of seriously ill children, regardless of their ability to pay, and we could not do so without supporters like you.”

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Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Bluegrass in Lexington create and support programs that directly improve the health and well-being of children and to strengthen families by keeping them together in times of medical need. Lexington's Ronald McDonald House is located adjacent to the University of Kentucky's Kroger Field football stadium. Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives will be Best Friend of the House during 2018.

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Kentuckiana in Louisville provide a "home-away-from-home" for families of children receiving healthcare at area medical facilities. Louisville's Ronald McDonald House is located on South First Street. Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives will be Leadership Partner during 2018.

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***About Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives***

*Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives Include 17 not-for-profit, member-owned electric cooperatives that serve more than 1 million Kentucky residents across 87 Kentucky counties.*

*They are:*

- *Big Sandy RECC, Paintsville, Ky.*
- *Blue Grass Energy, Nicholasville, Ky.*
- *Clark Energy Cooperative, Winchester, Ky.*
- *Cumberland Valley Electric, Gray, Ky.*
- *Farmers RECC, Glasgow, Ky.*
- *Fleming-Mason Energy, Flemingsburg, Ky.*
- *Grayson RECC, Grayson, Ky.*
- *Inter-County Energy Cooperative, Danville, Ky.*
- *Jackson Energy Cooperative, McKee, Ky.*
- *Licking Valley RECC, West Liberty, Ky.*
- *Nolin RECC, Elizabethtown, Ky.*
- *Owen Electric Cooperative, Owenton, Ky.*
- *Salt River Electric, Bardstown, Ky.*
- *Shelby Energy Cooperative, Shelbyville, Ky.*
- *South Kentucky RECC, Somerset Ky.*
- *Taylor County RECC, Campbellsville, Ky.*
- *East Kentucky Power Cooperative*