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HOPE AWAY FROM Home

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OUR MISSION

The mission of Ronald McDonald House Charities of Ann Arbor is to provide a "home away from home" for families of children experiencing a serious illness or injury requiring hospitalization or treatment on an outpatient basis.

OUR FAMILY STORY



The West Family

As first time parents, Heather and I thought we were as prepared as we could be for the arrival of our baby girl as we headed to the hospital with our 'birth plan.' We were expecting a healthy baby girl, a normal delivery, and a short stay... then home. Adalyn was born on September 21, 2016, and we shortly discovered that we were not prepared at all for what lay before us.

The next eight months were nothing at all what our concept of 'normal' would be. Adalyn was born with several congenital heart defects. In addition, we learned that she would also struggle with severe pulmonary issues. Our world came crashing down around us; we were not prepared for the subsequent journey. The first couple

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