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**ANNUAL KSHE 95 RONALD McDONALD HOUSE REQUEST-A-THON  
SURPASSED FUNDRAISING GOAL WITH \$15,000 RAISED**

**St. Louis, April 26, 2007** – Over the past four years nearly \$50,000 has been raised for the St. Louis Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) during the annual McDonald's/KSHE 95 Request-A-Thon. This year KSHE 95 listeners helped to raise more than \$15,000 for RMHC by bidding on auction items online, and calling in and requesting every song played on April 13<sup>th</sup>, for a minimum donation of thirty-five dollars.

“We were shooting for \$15,000 this year and thanks to our listeners and the support from Ted Nugent we made it,” said Anthony Busekrus, *KSHE 95 Promotions and Marketing Director*. “Request donations went as high as \$250 and the Ted Nugent autographed Fender guitar went for \$1,350.”

A total of \$7,500 was raised by request donations, and just over \$12,000 from the auction items. The proceeds from the Ted Nugent auction items were split between the Ronald McDonald House Charities and Ted Nugent's charity, Camp For Kids.

“The enormous success of this event will allow us to continue to provide a home-away-from-home for 39 families each night,” said Lindy Eberhardt, *Director of Development for Ronald McDonald House, St. Louis*. “As we expand and begin construction on our Family Room in St. Louis Children's Hospital; this money will also allow us to better serve families in St. Louis that have children in local hospitals.”

The **Ronald McDonald House** of St. Louis serves as a home away from home for families with critically ill children. Since the St. Louis House first opened its doors in 1981, over 20,000 families from all over the U.S. and several foreign countries have benefited from the services and hospitality provided by volunteers and staff of the House. *For more information about the RMHC of Metro St. Louis visit: [www.rmhcstl.com](http://www.rmhcstl.com).*

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