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Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative Donates Money for New Televisions

Austin, TX – (September 17, 2012) – Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative donated \$2,100 to Ronald McDonald House Charities of Austin and Central Texas (RMHC Austin) for the Fifth Birthday Room Refresh Project that kicked off in early September. With this donation, RMHC Austin will purchase new flat screens televisions for each of its 30 guest rooms.

Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative is committed to their members and to community service. With community being one of their foundation values, Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative is dedicated to serving the needs of their members and the local area. Since 2009, Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative has donated more than \$11,100 to RMHC Austin.

When asked to comment on their commitment to RMHC Austin, Will Holford, Manager of Public Affairs at Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative, said "RMHC Austin provides a place for members of Bluebonnet's larger community to be a part of the community of families with children in the hospital. RMHC Austin provides a service that many Bluebonnet members and employees who live outside the Austin area have used in the past. It's a clean, convenient and safe place for Bluebonnet families to stay, and a place where families can share their experiences and encourage one another. The Ronald McDonald House is invaluable to the families who need it."

In addition to their donation, Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative will update the furniture, rugs and room accessories in the Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative room at the Ronald McDonald House in October.

About Ronald McDonald House Charities of Austin & Central Texas

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Austin and Central Texas creates, finds and supports programs that directly improve the health and well-being of children. For over twenty-seven years, Austin's Ronald McDonald House has addressed very simple but profound needs: most importantly, the need for parents to be near their child when that child is in medical crisis and the need for children to have the comfort of their parents in frightening times.

The Ronald McDonald House, with its 30 guest rooms for families, provides lodging and support services in a nurturing, home-like environment where families stay together while caring for their critically ill or injured children receiving treatment in Austin-area hospitals.

Austin's three Ronald McDonald Family Rooms are places of rest and support within the walls of the hospitals for families with hospitalized children.

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