



GIVE HOPE A BIGGER HOME





**"You would think this would be the saddest place on earth.  
But it isn't, it's awesome."**

**THE NOLASCO FAMILY**

LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA



## We are Ronald McDonald House Charities® of South Florida.

Since 1982, we have welcomed more than 30,000 families into our House. They come to South Florida from around the world seeking health and hope for their critically ill children.

Whether they stay for just a few nights or many months, we keep families steps away from the hospital. In our House they can share their fears, support one another and focus on what matters most: their children.

But for all the families we have served, there are thousands of others we had to turn away. We simply don't have room for all of the families who need us.

BUT WE COULD...WITH YOUR HELP.





NEWBORN LUKE  
ST. THOMAS, VIRGIN ISLANDS

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For Families Far From Home and Afraid

WE ARE HERE

For Parents Who Are in Need of Hope

WE ARE HERE

For Children Who Are Fighting for Their Lives

WE ARE HERE

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Parents are able to cope better and focus on the needs of the sick child when they have support from their family members and other families.

Nabors et al., *Families, Systems, & Health* (2013)

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## RAISING WALLS AND SPIRITS

Our House is full every night of the year. We always have a wait list.

The demand is so great that for nearly every family that we've welcomed into our House, we must tell another that we don't have space.

Even for the families who are able to eventually get a room, help doesn't come soon enough. Last year, families waited 14 days on average to get a room in our House.

With mounting medical bills, many families do not have the resources to pay for hotels or meals. They sleep in a chair in the hospital or even in their car, hoping that one day they will get a call from our House that says, "We have a room for you."

YOU CAN GIVE THEM  
THE HELP THEY NEED

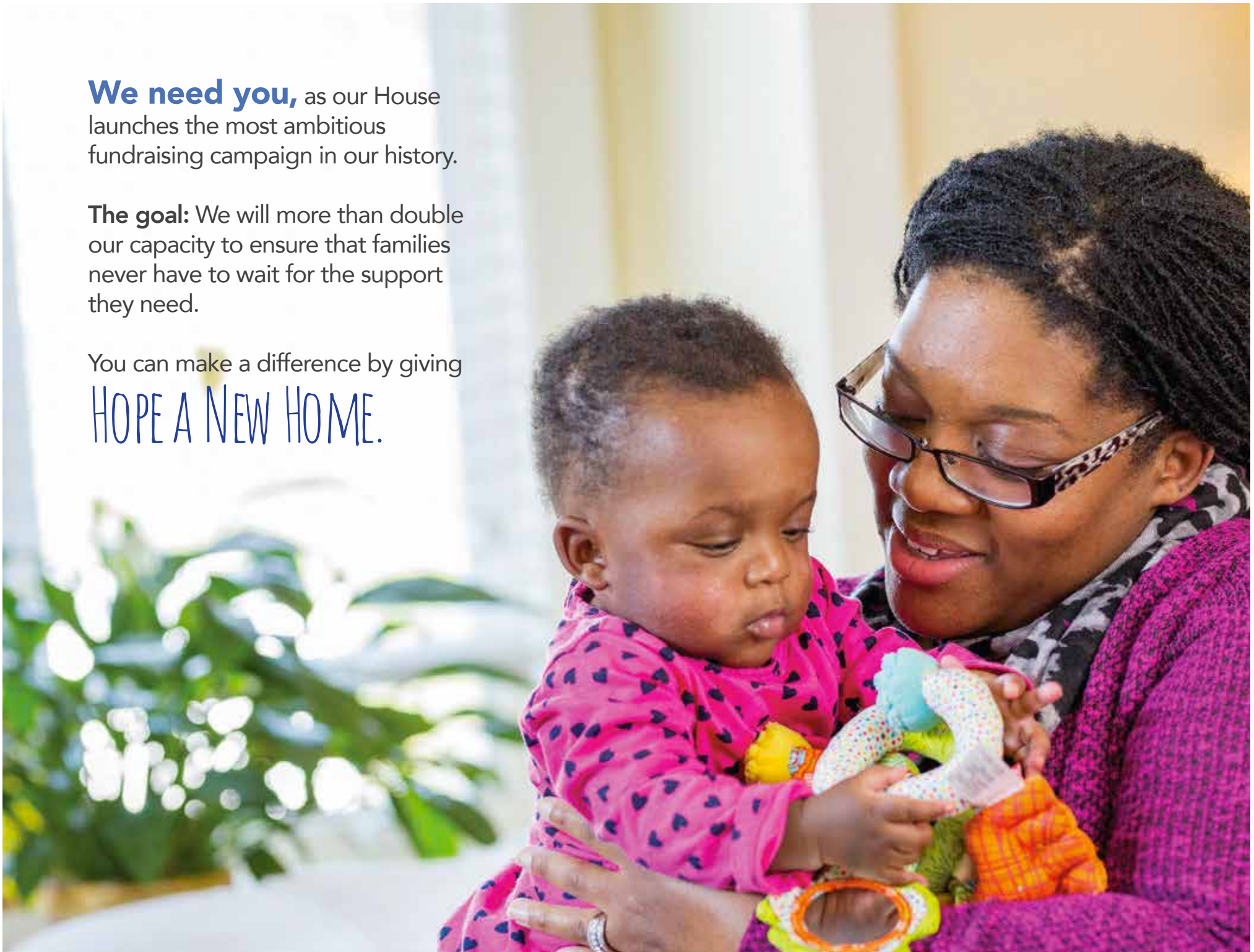


**We need you,** as our House launches the most ambitious fundraising campaign in our history.

**The goal:** We will more than double our capacity to ensure that families never have to wait for the support they need.

You can make a difference by giving

HOPE A NEW HOME.





# ONE GIFT. A LIFETIME OF HOPE.

For years, the biggest wish we've had is that we could serve more families. Having to tell a family that we don't have room for them is heartbreaking, and last year alone we had to turn away over 125 families who desperately needed our help. We have been carefully planning how to address this need and are thrilled that those plans will now become a reality as we expand from 31 to 54 rooms!

Our Hope Has A New Home community campaign offers a unique opportunity to have a life-changing impact on over 400 families and their children every year...not just when our new building opens, but for decades and generations to come. Your gift to our House's future will ease families' worries so they can focus their energy on their hospitalized children. Our Ronald McDonald House® is seen as a leader in providing compassionate hospitality, and our new building was designed with guests' needs front and center.

We all know that when a child is sick, the best medicine is to have their parents close by to love and care for them. Your support will be reflected every day on the faces of the smiling children and the relieved parents who call our House their home.



*Soraya R. Moya*

Soraya Rivera-Moya  
Executive Director



*Alex Rodriguez*

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Board President





RMHC  
South Florida

The Ronald McDonald House provides the comforts of home and gives each family a space to call their own.

# ROOM TO HOPE

**Hope Has A New Home** is the combined campaign that will expand our House from 31 to 54 rooms!

By constructing a modern seven-story facility with 60,000 square feet, at an extraordinary central location just steps from Holtz Children's Hospital, we will keep families close to the medical care their children desperately need and surround them with dedicated staff, caring volunteers and other families to support them through the complex journey of caring for a sick child... a journey that no parent wants to walk, especially alone.

THE HOPE HAS A NEW HOME CAMPAIGN GOAL IS  
**\$33 MILLION.**

We have been quietly planning for over a decade and now have the location, the plans and the will. To make this dream House a reality, we need your help to raise the final \$33 million required to construct our new home!



An architectural rendering of a modern, multi-story hospital building. The building features large glass windows and curved balconies with yellow and green accents. In the foreground, a prominent red archway shaped like a house stands on a paved plaza. Several people, including families with children and a stroller, are walking through the archway. The scene is set in a bright, sunny environment with palm trees and greenery in the background.

**Our new House will allow more families to stay together and focus on what's important: the health of their child.**



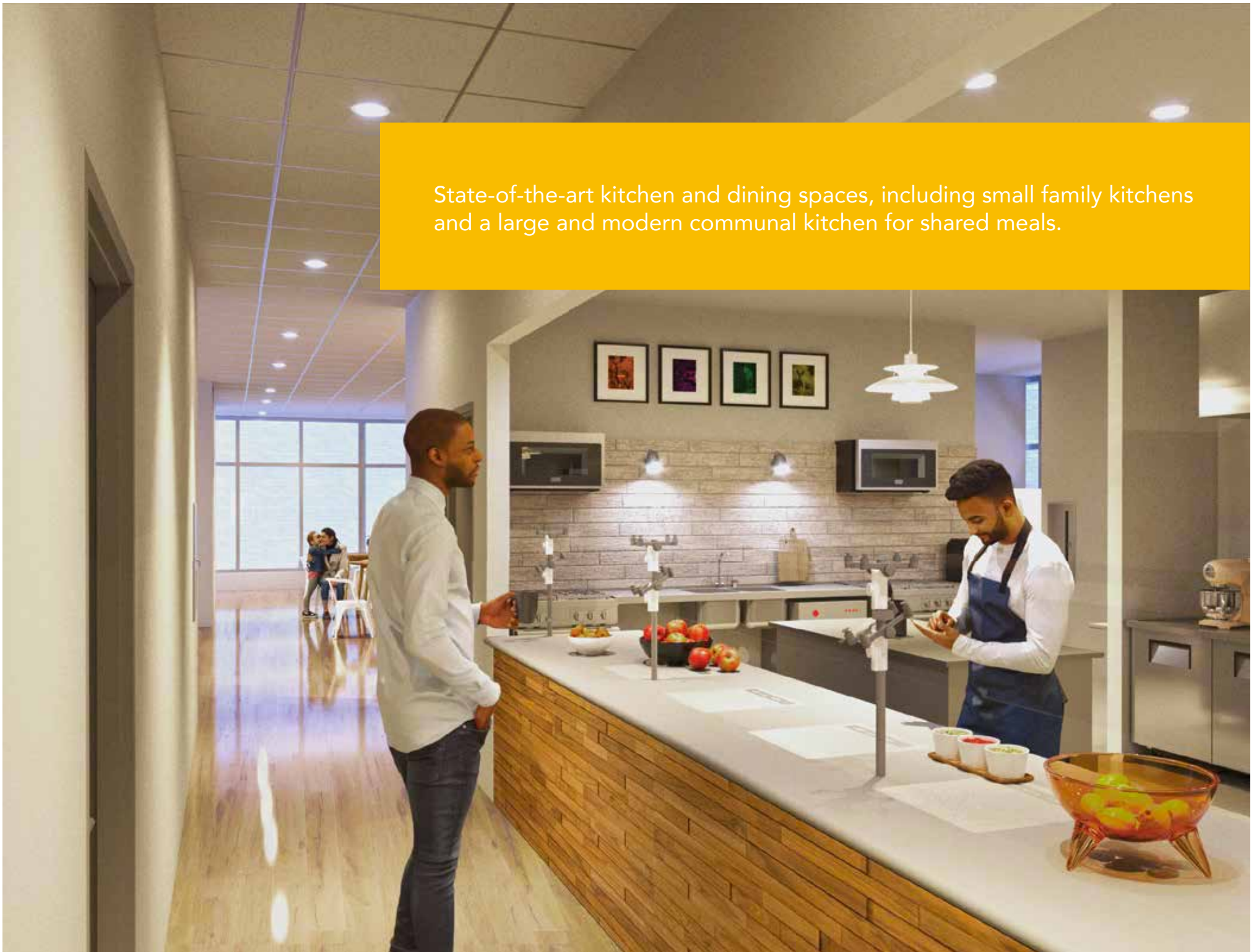
**A warm and comfortable reception area, including private family check-in areas.**

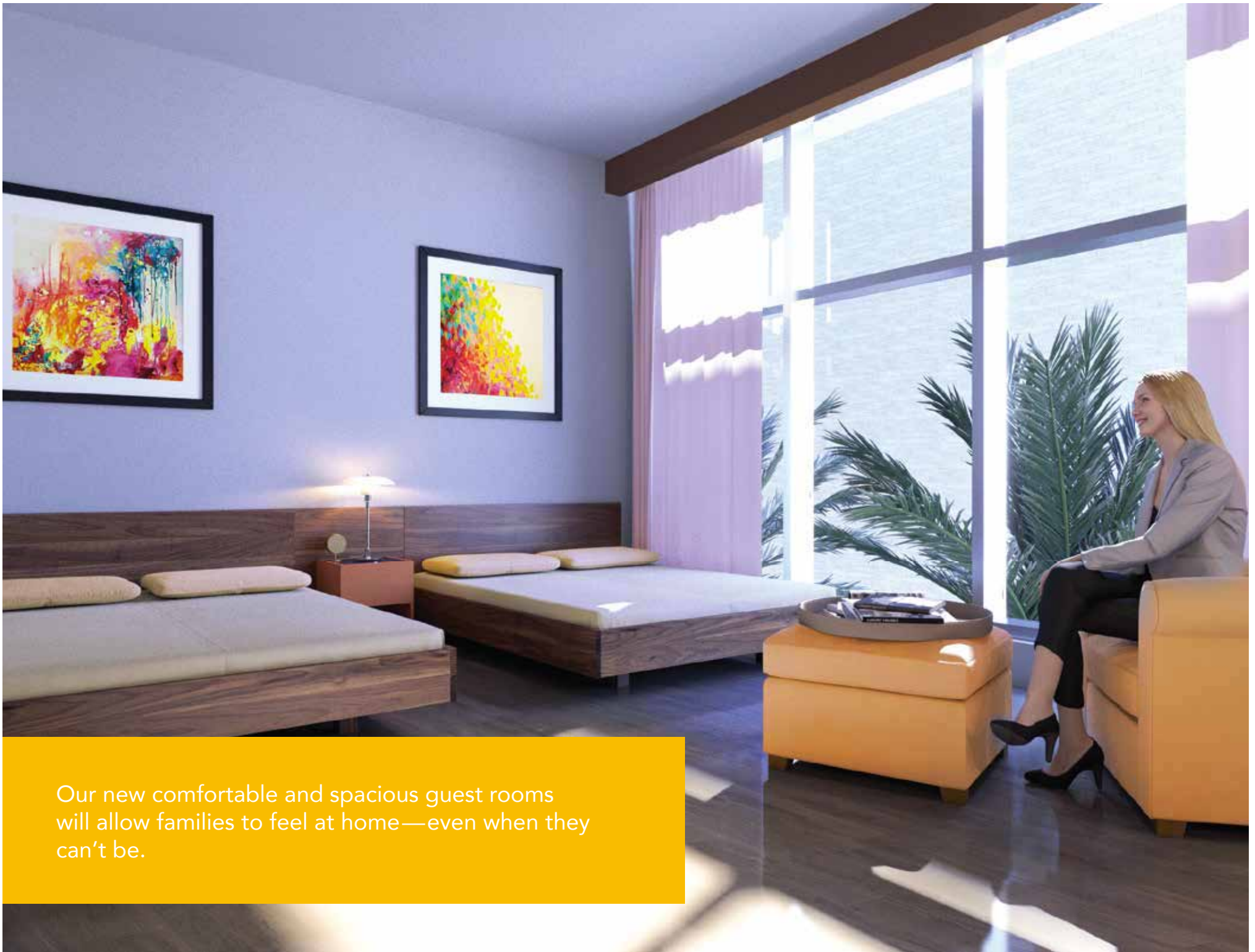




Strategically designed gathering spaces that promote interaction among all guests—children can have fun while parents bond over their shared hopes and concerns.

State-of-the-art kitchen and dining spaces, including small family kitchens and a large and modern communal kitchen for shared meals.





Our new comfortable and spacious guest rooms will allow families to feel at home—even when they can't be.



# FAMILIES ARE BETTER TOGETHER

This expansion will be life-changing for the families seeking treatment at Miami's Holtz Children's Hospital. It will:

- + INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF FAMILIES WE SERVE EACH YEAR
- + INCREASE THE NIGHTS OF CARE WE PROVIDE EACH YEAR
- + INCREASE THE LEVEL OF COMFORT AND HOSPITALITY FOR FAMILIES
- ELIMINATE OUR CURRENT WAIT LIST

## CURRENTLY

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We serve close to

225  
families

## WE OFFER

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31  
rooms for  
families

## AFTER EXPANSION

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We will serve about

410  
families

## WE WILL OFFER

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54  
rooms for  
families

Instead of worrying about where they will live, where their next meal will come from or how they will afford it all, families can focus on what matters most: their critically ill children.



**"The hospital is treating our daughters' conditions, but the Ronald McDonald House® is caring for their hearts and souls."**

PARENTS OF WIDEBERIA, TRINITY AND DESTINY



## HOPE BEGINS WITH YOU

Your support will make a lasting impact on children like Trinity, who are on a journey they didn't choose. You will be the reason we can stop telling families that it may take weeks to get a room in our House. For thousands of families with sick children.

Trinity Parker was born prematurely at 25 weeks in February 2015 in Belle Glade, Florida. Along with the already daunting medical challenges faced by premature babies, Trinity was diagnosed with a rare blood disorder and radioulnar synostosis. By six months, it was determined Trinity would need a bone marrow transplant as soon as possible. Living over 100 miles from Holtz Children's Hospital, the Ronald McDonald House allowed Trinity's mother Kimberly to stay near her daughter during her multiple, often months-long stays in the hospital from 2015 to 2020. After a final eight-month stay from August 2019 to April 2020, Trinity received her transplant and could go home for good.

**"Without the House, we would not have been able to do her two to three times a week procedure. If it wasn't for the House, her transplant and procedures would not have been possible, nor would the lifetime friendships we have made."**

THE PARKER FAMILY

BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA

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“Words cannot begin to justify how grateful I am to the hospitality and loving gestures that made our stay here so pleasant. Ronald McDonald House always puts families first and makes sure they are well loved. Your kindness will never be forgotten!”

THE PANDOHIE FAMILY  
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

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