

## Cincinnati Children's Hospital Ronald McDonald House

## **CASE STUDY**

Hilltop Companies Contributes to Building the Largest Ronald McDonald House in the Country Expansion doubles the number of families that can be served

**CHALLENGE:** Ronald McDonald House Charities recently completed a \$42 million expansion of their existing Cincinnati location. The new six-story tower near Cincinnati Children's keeps families close to the medical care they desperately need. The expansion allows the Cincinnati Ronald McDonald House to serve more than double the number of families it did prior to the expansion. Now with 177 bedrooms, it's the largest Ronald McDonald House in the world.

**SOLUTION:** Messer Construction led the project as the general contractor and Jostin Construction provided the pumping, placement and finishing. Hilltop Companies was chosen as the ready-mixed concrete partner.

**APPROACH:** Hilltop provided nearly 10,000 cubic yards of ready-mixed concrete for the project. The building is completely concrete framed with post-tensioned slabs. This type of structure, designed by THP engineering, results in a building that it more resilient, durable, and quieter for the residents and staff. Hilltop Companies used SmartRock Plus maturity sensors for the slabs, allowing for faster stress testing to keep the project on track.

**RESULTS:** The Cincinnati Ronald McDonald House opened the first week in December 2020. This expansion included a renovation of the existing kitchen and first floor, three stories of underground parking, six stories of guest rooms, and a rooftop play place. Brad Slabaugh, Hilltop's Vice President and General Manger, states "We were honored to be a part of such a meaningful project for families needing a place to stay while seeking medical care. Also, because the construction was next to the Cincinnati Children's Hospital, young patients were able to watch the building process through their windows. We are proud to be a part of something that was uplifting for the kids."







## Situation at a Glance

- Ronald McDonald House Charities raised over \$42 million to fund the expansion of their Cincinnati location, adding nearly 100 rooms and making it the largest Ronald McDonald House in the world.
- Messer Construction was selected as general contractor and selected Hilltop Companies as the concrete provider for their experience.
- Hilltop Companies provided nearly 10,000 cubic yards of ready-mixed concrete for the project.
- The expanded Ronald McDonald House opened in December 2020.

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