

# Individual Project Report

## Ronald McDonald House Pathway

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### Project Description

1. Describe the project. What was done, when, and where did the project activities take place?

The Ronald McDonald House Charity (RMHC) of Corpus Christi provides a home away from home for families whose children are undergoing medical treatment at Driscoll Children's Hospital. The Rotary Club of Corpus Christi, with the help of Bay, Ltd., installed a decomposed granite trail around the perimeter of the back yard so that adults and children staying there can have a safe area to walk, run and/or ride bikes. The path is approximately 1500 sq. ft. The overall project took place on three (3) Saturdays – 1/28/17, 2/11/17, and 3/11/17. The final date included a ribbon cutting ceremony and a Tuscan Cooking Lesson as part of the RMHC of Corpus Christi's Share-A-Meal program. A meal was also prepared for all residents and workers on 2/11/17 and trikes were purchased for the children to ride.

2. How many people benefited from this project?

The RMHC of Corpus Christi serves over one thousand families annually in Corpus Christi whose children are undergoing medical treatment. 60% of the families are considered low-income. 100% of the families are undergoing a large amount of stress.

3. Who were the beneficiaries, how were they impacted by this project, and what humanitarian need was met?

The beneficiaries are the children undergoing medical treatment and their families who stay at RMHC of Corpus Christi. Due to fragile immune systems it is difficult for families to play at local parks. This trail allows all of them to exercise and play – both of which help reduce stress. On the day the trail was complete and the children were allowed to ride trikes for the first time, one boy was smiling and laughing while he was being pushed around. We later learned it was the first time he had smiled in the two months he had been there while undergoing chemo treatments.

4. How many Rotarians participated in this project?

Over 30 Rotarians, not including their family members, participated in the project. Over 40 other volunteers helped as well over the three (3) work days.

5. What did they do? Please give at least two examples, not including financial support provided to the project.

Rotarians were involved in all aspects of this project from project planning to implementation. For example, a multitude of Rotarians came out and helped spread the decomposed granite using shovels and wheelbarrows. Other Rotarians were involved in the Ronald McDonald House Share-A-Meal program. On one project work day, Rotarians cooked food for everyone staying at the House. On the day of our ribbon cutting ceremony, another Rotarian provided a Tuscan Cooking Lesson for the residents that included preparing crostini, homemade pasta with two separate sauces, salad, and cookies all from scratch.

6. If a cooperating organization was involved, what was its role?

The Ronald McDonald House Charities – Corpus Christi was an excellent partner. They provided public relations and were ready with additional projects for volunteers when some needed to volunteer inside rather than outside.

Bay, Ltd. was another project partner that graciously donated skilled labor and heavy equipment. The donated heavy equipment saved a huge amount of time and volunteer burn out.

Boy Scouts Troop 316 provided some strong backs to help spread the decomposed granite.

## Financial Report

Date	Description	Funding Source	Amount	%		
Jul 22, 2016	Grant Awarded	District Grant	\$4,000.00	23.43 %		
Jun 30, 2016	Rotary Club of Corpus Christi	Club/Other	\$4,069.00	23.84 %		
May 16, 2017	Bay, Ltd.	Club/Other	\$9,000.00	52.73 %		
<b>Total:</b>			<b>\$17,069.00</b>	<b>100.00 %</b>		
Description	Supplier	Local Amount	Currency	Tax	Total	Amount
In Kind Heavy Equipment & Skilled Labor	Bay, Ltd.	\$9,000.00	USD	\$0.00	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00
Professional Services	Gill Landscape Nursery	\$4,270.00	USD	\$0.00	\$4,270.00	\$4,270.00
Decomposed Granite Material	Collier Materials	\$2,880.00	USD	\$0.00	\$2,880.00	\$2,880.00
Trikes	various	\$521.00	USD	\$0.00	\$521.00	\$521.00
Misc Supplies	Various	\$398.00	USD	\$0.00	\$398.00	\$398.00
<b>Total:</b>					<b>\$17,069.00</b>	