

Pop Tab Collection Guide

Learn how you can make a difference
and help Ronald McDonald House in
Topeka #keepingfamiliesclose



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House Charities®
Northeast Kansas

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When you pull for the House, you expand public awareness, make new friends, raise money, and protect the environment!

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Ronald McDonald House Topeka provides temporary housing for pediatric patients and their families in a strong, supportive and caring environment.



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More about Ronald McDonald House Topeka

Ronald McDonald House Topeka is a 8-room facility that provides temporary housing for parents and loved ones who have children receiving medical care at area hospitals. Our mission is Keeping Families Close



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Organizing Your Pop Tab Collection

It is easy to start collecting, whether you are collecting by yourself or with a group!

- 1 Make your Pop Tab Container** You can use all different materials to make your pop tab container. Some recommendations include large coffee containers or plastic buckets. Use our template to wrap it up or make your own!
- 2 Begin popping your tabs!** Every tab helps and a little can go a long way.

Are you a school representative or Youth group Advisor?

Starting a pop tab program with your group is a great way to make a difference and teach younger generations about the benefits of philanthropy and giving back to the community. You can schedule a tour of the House to learn more about what we do, our programs, and the pop tab program!

Organizing a Collection at the office?

Another great way to collect pop tabs is in the office, placing a container in the breakroom is a perfect spot to grab attention. We suggest informing everyone about recycling their pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House and what we do! Maybe even make it a competition between departments?



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Facts about Pop Tabs

When pulling pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House, you:

- Every penny helps support families staying at RMHCNEKS -- \$25 pays for one family for one night!
- We collect, approximately, \$1000.00/year from pop tabs. This pays for individual families to stay a total of 40 nights at our House!

We do not accept the whole can.

We receive the going rate for aluminum through our partnering recycling company.

1,267 pop tabs = 1 pound

1 pop tab = 1 inch

12 pop tabs = 1 foot

63,360 pop tabs = 1 mile

1 million pop tabs = 800 pounds



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Collection Tips

1

Communication

Be sure to communicate with your friends, family, and co-workers! Let them know why you are collecting and what Ronald McDonald House does.

2

Presentation

Hanging up flyers and decorating your collection containers can help catch peoples eyes! Be clear that its going to help a good cause! You can use our template included in the Collection Guide or make your own!

3

Friendly Competition

Making it a friendly competition within classes at school or departments at work can be another fun way to energize everyone about the collection!



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Pop Tab Program FAQ

Why do you only collect the tabs from cans?

Although the entire aluminum can is valuable, the tab itself is much cleaner and easier to collect in large quantities than whole cans. The tab of a standard soda can is made of high quality, high grade aluminum. By itself, it doesn't mean much, but when we pull together, pop tabs add up and become a valuable donation to Ronald McDonald House.

Who can participate in the pop tab program?

Anyone is welcome and encouraged to participate! They are a common item seen virtually everyday, easy to store and collect- making this a kid friendly community service project as well. A pop tab collection is a terrific program for schools and other youth groups to get involved and make a genuine contribution to their community. Offices, church groups, hospitals, grocery stores, and other clubs also find this program to be ideal and easy to set up.

How do I get started?

Simply start collecting; Collect tabs in coffee cans, boxes, plastic bags or similar containers. We prefer that you don't use plastic bottles or jugs because of the effort involved with cutting the containers to remove the tabs. If participating in a contest, please note that we do not weigh pop tabs at the House. We have labels and a template so that everyone knows that you are collecting.

Where should the tabs be delivered?

You can bring them to RMHCNEKS. If you have a small amount, you can drop them off at the front door (825 SW Buchanan St, Topeka) and leave them with a staff member who will dump them in our collection bin. If you have a large amount, you can arrange to drop them off when a staff member can help you dump them in the collection bin. The collection bin is located in the back of the House off Lincoln St. Pull into the parking lot directly behind the House.



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Want to do more for Ronald McDonald House?

Become a Volunteer

Come be apart of the best volunteer teams in the city! Learn about all of our wonderful opportunities online at: www.rmhcneks.org

Become an Advocate

Follow us on Facebook and share our information with family and friends.

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