

# ***YELLOW SHOE CREW***

## ***2025-2026***

The Yellow Shoe Crew is a group of teen volunteers (**high school juniors and seniors**) with the collective goal to help make a difference in the lives of critically ill or injured children and their families.

As stewards of the Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) of the Coastal Empire, the Yellow Shoe Crew works in partnership with Volun-teen members (high school freshmen and sophomores) to advocate, fundraise, and raise community awareness for the programs and services provided by RMHC (the Ronald McDonald House, our Family Rooms in Memorial Hospital and Candler Hospital, and the Care Mobile).

Yellow Shoe Crew membership consists of volunteering at the Ronald McDonald House, volunteering in our Family Rooms in Memorial Hospital and Candler Hospital, monthly membership meetings, fundraising, outreach events, and many other volunteer opportunities.

All candidates must obtain permission from a parent/guardian prior to submitting their application AND prior to accepting membership.

Members will be selected through an application and interview process. **Any applications received after the deadline WILL NOT be considered.**

### Qualifications for the Yellow Shoe Crew:

1. Candidates must begin their junior or senior year of high school in August 2025.
2. Candidates must commit to one year of volunteer service from August 2025-August 2026.
3. Candidates must complete a minimum of 40 service hours within the membership year.



## Application Process

Yellow Shoe Crew applications are **DUE BY Thursday, JUNE 12th, 2025.**

The application must be submitted at one time – incomplete and/or late applications **WILL NOT** be considered.

Candidates selected for an interview will be notified **by Friday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025.**

All Yellow Shoe Crew applicants will be notified of their acceptance status **by Friday, July 25, 2025.**

### Completed application packets must include:

1. Applicant Information Form
2. Short Essays
3. Reference #1 and Reference #2 – all references must (no exceptions):
  - a. Be non-relatives of applicant
  - b. Have known the applicant for 2+ years
  - c. Be 18-years-old or older
4. Applicant Commitment Form
5. Parent/Guardian Commitment Form
6. Resume (academic is accepted)
7. Photo of Applicant (if available)

Completed applications can be

- Mailed to or dropped off at:

Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Coastal Empire  
Attn: Lisa Markel, Yellow Shoe Crew Application  
4710 Waters Avenue  
Savannah, Georgia 31404

- Emailed to:

[lisa@rmhccoastalempire.org](mailto:lisa@rmhccoastalempire.org)

- Faxed to:

912-350-2309

Attn: Lisa Markel, Yellow Shoe Crew Application

**Yellow Shoe Crew Application: Applicant Information (PLEASE TYPE)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Academic Information**

High School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Guidance Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Extracurriculars (band, sports, etc.):

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Academic Recognitions & Honors:

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**Additional Volunteer Information**

Is there any medical information (allergies, medical conditions, etc.) that you would like to share with us in case of an emergency?

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Please list below any scheduling conflicts that you may experience if you are chosen to serve in the 2025-2026 Yellow Shoe Crew.

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Are you related to/acquainted with anyone currently involved with RMHC of the Coastal Empire? (Circle one)      Yes      No

If yes, describe relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about this volunteer opportunity?

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## Yellow Shoe Crew Application: Short Essays

Please **TYPE** your answers to the following questions

1. Why do you feel that you would make a good addition to this group?
2. What previous volunteer experience do you have?
3. Do you have any suggestions for activities/projects for our teen volunteers (fundraisers, activities for families at RMH, etc.)?
4. If you feel comfortable sharing, have you or your family had any experience being a patient in a children's hospital or utilizing the services of a Ronald McDonald House?

**Yellow Shoe Crew Application: Reference Form (#1)**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, recommend \_\_\_\_\_ (applicant name)  
for Yellow Shoe Crew membership at the Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Coastal Empire based  
on the following:

*Provide us with a description (**PLEASE TYPE**) of the qualities/characteristics this candidate will bring to the  
group.*

I attest that I am a non-relative of the applicant, that I have known the applicant for a minimum of two  
years, and that I am 18-years-old or older.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Reference (Please print this form and then sign)*

**Yellow Shoe Crew Application: Reference Form (#2)**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, recommend \_\_\_\_\_ (applicant name)  
for Yellow Shoe Crew membership at the Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Coastal Empire based  
on the following:

*Provide us with a description (**PLEASE TYPE**) of the qualities/characteristics this candidate will bring to the  
group.*

I attest that I am a non-relative of the applicant, that I have known the applicant for a minimum of two  
years, and that I am 18-years-old or older.

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*Signature of Reference (Please print this form and then sign)*

**Yellow Shoe Crew Application: Applicant Commitment Form**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, (applicant name) am applying for 2025-2026 Yellow Shoe Crew membership at the Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Coastal Empire. I have included all required application materials for your review.

I understand that this is a volunteer experience that will require a one-year commitment (August 2025-August 2026). I understand that this commitment will involve volunteering at the Ronald McDonald House, volunteering in the Family Rooms at Memorial Hospital and Candler Hospital, monthly membership meetings, fundraising, outreach events, and other volunteer opportunities.

To ensure a productive experience for myself, my fellow teen volunteers, and the families served by RMHC of the Coastal Empire, I agree to:

- Show respect to RMHC staff, RMHC volunteers, my fellow teen volunteers, and the families utilizing RMHC
- Conduct myself responsibly during all RMHC of the Coastal Empire volunteer opportunities and/or events
- Be an active participant by volunteering regularly, attending meetings, participating in fundraising, planning and coordinating events, and participating in other opportunities
- Complete a minimum of 40 service hours between August 2025-August 2026
- Follow all guidelines and requirements as set forth by RMHC of the Coastal Empire staff

I attest that I have read and understand the responsibilities and requirements of participating in the Yellow Shoe Crew.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Applicant (Please print this form and sign)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

**Yellow Shoe Crew Application: Parent/Guardian Commitment Form**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, (parent/guardian) consent to \_\_\_\_\_ (applicant name) applying for 2025-2026 Yellow Shoe Crew membership at the Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Coastal Empire. I have discussed with them the responsibilities involved and the time commitment required for this volunteer experience.

I understand that verification of any volunteer hours will be provided *only* after completion of these hours.

I understand that RMHC staff will utilize online communication tools (primarily email, Remind.com, and Signup.com). By signing this agreement, I agree to allow my child to participate in these communications.

I agree to provide guidance and assistance during my child's volunteer service, including assisting them in obtaining volunteer clearance to work directly with children and families served by RMHC of the Coastal Empire.

By signing this agreement, I give my permission for \_\_\_\_\_ (applicant name) to join the Yellow Shoe Crew at the Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Coastal Empire should they be selected for 2025-2026 membership.

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*Signature of Parent/Guardian (Please print this form and sign)*                      *Date*