During the 57th Annual IPTA School Transportation Conference and Tradeshow, the IPTA held a silent auction on July 19, 2021, during the Hoglund Evening Banquet.

The former IPTA Executive Director, Terry Voy, donated the 5 different models of wooden school buses to be auctioned off for charity.

The IPTA board of directors voted in January to donate the proceeds raised to the Ronald McDonald House here in Des Moines, Iowa.

The silent auction winners were: Bob Kirschbaun, Spirit Lake CSD, Jason Sampson, Nevada CSD, Jeff Wellik, Roland-Story CSD, Kim Ensminger, Central Lee CSD, and Dave Hansen, Spencer CSD. This was a fun and worth while activity during the evening banquet that raised $960.00 from the silent auction, and Terry and his wife Sherry provided an additional $500.00 to the fund raising effort. We were pleased to present $1,460.00 to the Des Moines Ronald McDonald House. However, just before the presentation Terry Voy gave us an additional check for $40.00 to make the donation an even $1,500.00.

Present for the presentation (Pictured Left) were, Carlos Guerra, IPTA Board President, Chris Darling IPTA Executive Director, Board members, David Johnson, and Betty Golay. Thank you to Terry and Sherry Voy, (Pictured Above Right) and Thank you to everyone that made this donation possible.

At the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Iowa, they offer a place to call home at little to no cost, so that families can stay together. At the two House locations, one inside Mercy One Children's Hospital, and one near Blank Children's Hospital families are only steps away from their critically ill children.

The Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Iowa provides a home-away-from-home for families traveling to Des Moines to seek medical care for their child. They offer a comprehensive meal program, comfortable community spaces, laundry facilities, playrooms and more. A team of over 70 volunteers, and a small dedicated team of staff are always ready to do whatever it takes to make a family’s stay a little easier.

Since opening their doors in 1981, RMHC Central Iowa has been keeping families closer by providing more than 3,900 overnight stays a year. These families have come from 93 Iowa counties, 15 states and 6 countries around the world whose children are receiving medical care at Blank Children’s Hospital, Mercy One Children’s Hospital, Child Serve, Orchard Place, Iowa ENT, or other area medical facilities.

Then IPTA would like to encourage all of our IPTA Members, Sustaining Member Companies, and others to donate to the Ronald McDonald House Charities.

Help them to make sure that no family is turned away for their inability to pay, and to continue to keep families with sick children together, and near the care and the important resources they need. Consider a donation today!