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Hoffmann to Receive Emerging Leader Award

BISMARCK, ND – Jakelle Hoffmann, who is the Development Director for Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Red River Valley, is this year's recipient of the North Dakota Association of Nonprofit Organizations' (NDANO) Emerging Leader Award.

NDANO will present the 2025 North Dakota Nonprofits Awards during a luncheon at 12:30 p.m. CT on June 5 at the Holiday Inn in Fargo. The luncheon is the closing event for the North Dakota Nonprofit Leadership Conference. Tickets for the Awards Luncheon are available at www.ndano.org.

The Emerging Leader Award is given to a nonprofit professional who has made a significant impact in strengthening the North Dakota nonprofit sector in a short amount of time within the field through his/her commitment to leadership, volunteerism, and/or philanthropy. This award is presented to early to mid-career leaders, those with less than 10 years of experience in the nonprofit sector.

Jakelle Hoffmann is a standout leader whose transformational style is defined by vision, collaboration and heart. As Development Director for Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Red River Valley, she has expanded fundraising and facility space to serve over 900 families each year. She is a connector at her core, bringing together partners across sectors to grow community impact. Jakelle is admired not just for what she accomplishes but for the humility with which she does it, always crediting the teams and volunteers beside her.

"Jakelle has made a significant impact for nonprofits and the community in the Fargo area," says NDANO Executive Director Shawn McKenna. "NDANO is pleased to recognize her for his initiative and leadership."

All 2025 award recipients will be recognized at the North Dakota Nonprofit Leadership Conference, which brings together leaders from across the state to participate in educational sessions, network, and exchange ideas. To register, visit www.ndano.org.

NDANO is the statewide membership association for the North Dakota nonprofit sector. Its mission is to educate, advocate and connect to strengthen nonprofits.