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Dear Friends:

NAMI Orange County is a proud supporter of Club Nova, and we invite you to join us by donating to Club Nova.

Club Nova's positive impact in our community cannot be overstated.

Club Nova demonstrates every day that with the support of community, meaningful recovery is possible for anyone who lives with a serious and persistent mental illness.

Club Nova is not about treatment of illness – it's about caring and support for the whole person. And that empowers the person to build a future.

At Club Nova, there is no such thing as stigma, only warm welcomes.

Together, club members, staff, and volunteers work side by side to provide every member with meaningful social connections, work opportunities, nutritious meals, the support and help needed to manage a crisis if one should occur, assistance to find appropriate housing, and the structure needed for club members to build on success.

Too often, psychiatric patients are discharged from the hospital with a piece of paper telling them to go to an outpatient appointment. There are no day treatment programs in our area for people with serious mental illness, no intensive outpatient programs to help patients transition from the hospital environment to successfully navigating life in the community.

We are fortunate to have Club Nova to fill this void.

Sincerely,

Joanna Bowen

President, NAMI Orange County NC