



VOL. IV

MAKING A *Commitment*

As a member of Nova, the Campaign Team invites you to join with us in making a commitment to the Open Campaign! Meeting our core vision goal of **\$1.1 million** — or our stretch goal of **\$1.5 million** — will require sacrificial giving from the people of Nova. As we give sacrificially according to the measure that God has blessed us, our collective gifts to the Lord over the next three years will add up quickly and be deployed towards God's purposes here at Nova!

The giving chart to the side illustrates how even modest recurring gifts become significant over the course of a three year campaign. For many, the reality is their commitment will probably vary from year to year, which is why we have multiple lines on the commitment form. You could commit one amount for the first year and a different amount for each of the next two years. The important thing to remember is that it all adds up. Your participation, along with those from the rest of the Nova family, is vitally important to helping us reach our campaign goal.

"Over and Above" GIVING CHART

Weekly	Monthly	Annually
\$ 6	\$ 25	\$ 300
\$ 12	\$ 50	\$ 600
\$ 23	\$ 100	\$ 1,200
\$ 35	\$ 150	\$ 1,800
\$ 46	\$ 200	\$ 2,400
\$ 69	\$ 300	\$ 3,600
\$ 92	\$ 400	\$ 4,800
\$ 115	\$ 500	\$ 6,000
\$ 138	\$ 600	\$ 7,200
\$ 162	\$ 700	\$ 8,400
\$ 185	\$ 800	\$ 9,600
\$ 208	\$ 900	\$ 10,800
\$ 231	\$ 1,000	\$ 12,000
\$ 462	\$ 2,000	\$ 24,000
\$ 692	\$ 3,000	\$ 36,000

We invite you to:

- 1) **Pray** — If you are married, pray with your spouse. Ask the Lord for guidance and wisdom as you consider your participation and commitment.
- 2) **Determine Your Commitment** — Consider and determine how you can give sacrificially to the Open vision from today through the next three years. Remember, these gifts need to be over and above your regular tithes and offerings so that Nova can continue to support its Staff, ministries, and missions partners.
- 3) **Record Your Commitment** — Record your commitment using the enclosed Commitment Card, seal in the provided envelope and **return by mail or in the offering plate no later than Sunday, November 19th.** (Communication Cards will also be given out during the worship service on November 5th.) This commitment is between you and the Lord and will be handled with the same confidentiality as all other giving records.

- 4) **Celebrate!** — After collecting all commitments, the grand total will be announced to the congregation on **"Reveal Sunday," November 26th.** What an exciting day that will be!

PLEASE *pray for...*

Week of November 5: Pray for us all as we consider our financial commitments for the next three years. That we would seek the Holy Spirit's guidance and wisdom as we budget our resources.

Week of November 12: Pray for joy in coming together to support the vision and mission God has given Nova – that joy and the accompanying peace would fill our minds, hearts and whole being.

Week of November 19: Pray for peace in our commitments. The enemy often attacks us with doubts and discouragement when we first make a decision; let's support one another with prayer and encouragement, and remember all the reasons we have for making a financial contribution.

Week of November 26: Pray for continued focus and anticipation as we look toward the future of Nova. Pray for those who will come to know Jesus and those who will be welcomed into our fellowship because of the changes we are making to our campus and our way of approaching ministry.

STRATEGIES FOR *giving*

As you consider ways to give sacrificially, there are three primary sources you may choose to give from:

- **Cash** — Recurring gifts out of monthly income.
- **Assets** — Sale of stock, property; gifts out of various types of savings accounts.
- **Future** — Anticipated change in income due to change in circumstances (i.e. paying off house, child graduating college...).

Depending on many factors, some givers will be able to give large annual gifts, and others will give smaller weekly gifts. What you can give is between you and the Lord!

The Open Campaign Team has brainstormed some ways to cut expenses that can be redirected toward Open (see below). In fact, many of these strategies are being employed by Nova leaders as they commit to giving!

Current:	Savings:	Item:
\$ _____	\$ _____	Cable TV — Cut back or turn off
\$ _____	\$ _____	Dining Out — Cut back on frequency; pack a lunch
\$ _____	\$ _____	Specialty Coffee — What!?
\$ _____	\$ _____	Vacation — Take a 4 day trip instead of a 7 day trip
\$ _____	\$ _____	Refinance Mortgage — Lower interest rate and redirect monthly savings
\$ _____	\$ _____	Sell an old collection (coins, stamps, dolls)
\$ _____	\$ _____	Make your hobby profitable — knitting, photography, painting...
\$ _____	\$ _____	Delay home improvement project for a year (or three!)
\$ _____	\$ _____	Set aside tax refunds, or refunds from health savings accounts
	\$ _____	TOTAL POTENTIAL SAVINGS

Whatever you give, and however you give, trust that God will provide for you. **"But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."** — Matthew 6:33

BUILDING & LAND *update*

We have officially kicked off the Open Project! We have chosen and hired both the landscaping and building/structural architects and we have had our first design meetings with each firm. We expect the first iteration of the schematic (3D) design drawings to be delivered in the next several weeks. We also have obtained the services of Denn Engineering to perform the site survey that is required prior to breaking ground. The playground team has selected equipment and the Board approved its purchase.

To support a relatively smooth process as we progress into and through the Open Project, the Board has identified five critical roles that have been filled by members of the congregation. These liaisons will provide guidance and oversight for the specific area to which they are assigned and will partner with the designated Nova Board member on critical decisions and input. The liaison roles and current team are outlined below:

Area of Responsibility	Congregation Liaison	Board Member Partner
Landscape	Alesia Giampaoli	Rick D'Amico
Structural/Building	Jackie Austel	John McGady
Financial Analysis	Dan Newkirk	Lee Atkins
On-site Supervision	Mike Shurley	Dean Mayeda
Congregational Projects	Norm Lenders	Butch Paredes

Overall guidelines for Liaisons include the following:

- Act as the primary liaison/contact with the architects and/or contractors in their respective area.
- Ensure general compliance with the overall project vision.
- Provide guidance to our architects and contractors to ensure proper design with cost and maintenance in mind.
- Identify issues, particularly with scope, and communicate them back to the Board members.
- Provide feedback/status to the Board partner.

Celebration Sunday NOVEMBER 5th

Please plan to join us for a luncheon to celebrate God's work at Nova through the Open Campaign on Sunday, November 5th, immediately following the 9:30 AM worship service.

VIDEO *Spotlight*



Many people are excited about the Open Campaign! Their stories have been debuting before messages in the Open sermon series. Watch these videos and more at novachurch.org/open.