Lizzylu Chooses NAMI Texas for Gift!

NAMI Texas would like to thank Lizzylu, a boutique gift shop located in the Westlake neighborhood of Austin, for choosing us for one of their quarterly contributions.

Lizzylu strives to provide their customers with a wonderfully whimsical and unique shopping experience. In addition, Lizzylu is a shop with a charitable mission. Staffed by roughly 20 volunteers, they choose and direct a donation to a different deserving local charity each quarter. They invite their customers (whom they call their “friends”) to join with them in this charitable mission and feel privileged to be able to give back to the community in a meaningful way!

Owned by father and son duo, Gene and Chris Attal, Lizzylu’s name was conceived by combining the names of Chris’ three young daughters: Lily, Izzy and Gabilu. This May, they will celebrate their second anniversary in their Westlake location. Also, the Westlake Chamber of Commerce recently honored Lizzylu as the 2017 Best New Business of the Year. Congratulations!

Want to partner with NAMI Texas on a fund-raising or friend-raising event? Please email Holly Doggett at executive.director@namitexas.org.
NAMI Texas Welcomes New State Trainers

Congratulations to the following people who will be attending the Training of Trainers 2018 this weekend in Wichita, Kansas, and will join the team of NAMI Texas state trainers!

Basics
NAMI El Paso - Alejandra Valdez
NAMI El Paso - Tirsa Gamez
NAMI Greater Houston - Sergio Aguirre
Family-to-Family
NAMI Austin - Kathy Bentz
NAMI Tarrant County - Pam Cooke
NAMI Tarrant County - Sue Adams
Family Support Group
NAMI Austin - Amy Carrier
NAMI Dallas - Herb Cotner
Connection
NAMI Abilene - Byl Boyd
In Our Own Voice
NAMI Austin - Ilene Gray
NAMI Greater Houston - Cheron Carter

For more information on NAMI signature programs, email Patti Haynes at education.director@namitexas.org.

Putting Policy into Action

As innovations in mental health crisis response roll out, it’s important for NAMI Texas and our network to be informed and engaged about these developments.

One new program that has caught our attention is the Cloud 911 Crisis Intervention Mobile App currently being piloted by law enforcement in the largest county in Texas.

We were quoted in a Houston Chronicle article about it— as you look for solutions in your community, we invite you to consider reaching out to the company that is spearheading this unique approach to crisis response.

Cloud 9 CEO JC Adams aids Harris County Sheriff Deputy Fred Lerma during a training session of a telepsychiatry program Dec. 12 in Houston (Houston Chronicle)
Collaboration, Communication, and Advocacy

Have you registered for our upcoming Empowerment Symposium? You don't want to miss out on this one. We've got a great line-up of speakers and resources to empower you to collaborate, communicate, and advocate! Registration includes breakfast, lunch, and workshops. CEUs available for LMFTs, LMSWs, and LPCs.

Register Today

The view from our host hotel, the Emerald Beach Hotel, Corpus Christi.

NAMI Homefront Available as Online Webinar

NAMI Homefront, a free, 6-session program for family, friends and significant others of military Service Members and Veterans. The class helps families understand what the Service Member/Veteran is experiencing related to trauma, combat stress, civilian life transition, PTSD and other mental health conditions, is now offered via webinar. A new class will be starting the first week in May. To register, click HERE.