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### **Proceeds from Santa Pub Crawl Presented to Network of Victim Assistance**

*\$1,405 raised to support NOVA mission and services*

**(BUCKS COUNTY, Pa.)** Network of Victim Assistance (NOVA) is pleased to announce that it received a donation of \$1,405 from the 2019 Santa Pub Crawl, which took place on December 21, 2019 and was organized by Doylestown resident Brian Compas.

The Pub Crawl was a private event where attendees dressed up in holiday costumes and visited various Doylestown pubs and restaurants. Donations were made prior to the event via a Facebook group that Compas set up and money was also raised at each establishment. Participating pubs and restaurants included, MOM's, The Other Side, Hops/Scotch and Villa Capri.

Compas organizes the Santa Pub Crawl every year as a way for friends and others to enjoy the holiday spirit, spread cheer and attend a wonderful event right before Christmas. With the most recent Pub Crawl, he decided to raise funds for a charitable organization and chose NOVA



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because of their continuous contributions to the community and dedicated support to those in need. At each location, Compas took the opportunity to educate attendees about NOVA's work and share information about the organization's programs and services.

" I have first-hand experience with NOVA, as they assisted my wife years ago when she became aware of childhood sexual abuse she suffered that caused her to suffer from PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder) and panic attacks. NOVA provided her with support and resources that helped her battle her past experiences and get the help she needed. I am forever grateful to NOVA and glad that we were able to raise funds for such a great organization."

"We are so grateful to Brian for this donation from the Santa Pub Crawl," said Penny Ettinger, NOVA Executive Director. "A donation of any amount helps us in our mission to advocate for crime victims and prevent violence through community education."

### **ABOUT NOVA**

Network of Victim Assistance (NOVA) supports, counsels and empowers victims of sexual assault and other serious crimes in Bucks County and works to prevent and eliminate violence in society through advocacy, training, community education and prevention programs. Founded in 1974, NOVA is a non-profit 501(c)(3), community-based organization operating out of three offices in Fairless Hills, Jamison and Perkasie. Services are made possible through the financial support of federal, state and local government grants and contracts, corporations, foundations and private donations. All contributions are tax deductible to the extent provided by law. For more information, visit [www.NOVABucks.org](http://www.NOVABucks.org).

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**Photo caption:**

Network of Victim Assistance staff members accept a check of \$1,405 from Brian Compass, the organizer of the 2019 Santa Pub. They are (left to right): Mary Worthington, NOVA Primary Prevention Coordinator; Penny Ettinger, NOVA Executive Director; Brian Compass, Santa Pub Crawl Organizer; Mandy Mundy, NOVA Senior Director of Programs and Services; and Grace Wheeler, County Coordinator, Safe and Healthy Communities Initiative