Dave Stafford

Nominated by NAMI Greenville (SC)

Nominator Narrative

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NAMI Board service demands experience, knowledge, commitment, and time to help others. Board members must be passionate about NAMI's goals, values, and beliefs. This year, the NAMI Board is highlighting specific skills that they are seeking in candidates to strengthen the current skill sets on the board. You can review the 2025 Open Letter from the NAMI Board President for more information on the call for candidates.

Please list the skill areas identified in the Open Letter in which this candidate excels.

Dave had a successful career where he was the CHRO and CTO of Michelin North America. He has a unique mix of corporate and non-profit leadership skills. He previously served on the NAMI National Board and served as both Board Secretary and Treasurer. He is active in the faith community and serves on the lay leadership team at his church. Under his board leadership NAMI Greenville hired a new Executive Director in late 2023 and in 2025 NAMI Greenville will almost double its budget and development dollars, allowing us to increase program reach and impact in our community. Dave has served on the Greenville Technical College Board (20K +

Explain any additional skill areas in which this candidate excels not identified in the Open Letter that you believe would be an asset to the NAMI Board.

Dave is strongly committed to building partnerships that benefit all members of community. He is the co-founder and current Chair of the Well-Being Partnership of Greenville County. The Well-Being Partnership is made up of 85 organizations that serve community members who are dealing with challenges of well-being, mental health and substance use disorders. The WBP incorporates organizations that serve distinct and diverse communities like adolescents, veterans, disabled, black, hispanic, asian, faith, and LGBTQ communities. The WBP also successfully advocated for increased SC state funding for the 988 call center. Having served as a CHRO Dave has experience improving workplace mental health and well-being and understands well the important role that businesses have in providing health and well-being care to more than half of the US population.

This individual has helped advance the NAMI mission in my community by...

Dave has served on the NAMI Greenville board since 2009, and he is currently the President of the NAMI Greenville Board. He has focused NAMI Greenville on expanding its reach and impact across our community, including expanding to diverse communities and geographies.

This individual works well in coordination with other leaders to accomplish goals as evidenced by...

Dave is an innovator and willing to challenge the status quo to deliver game-changing breakthroughs. He listens and learns before he speaks and acts. He believes that the collective power of many is a key asset for progress. Dave co-founded the Well Being Partnership of Greenville County.