Growing up in Nebraska, my childhood took a dramatic turn when my parents relapsed, and the

stability I once knew was replaced with chaos. By high school, my aspirations were

overshadowed by drugs and alcohol, and I soon found myself on a destructive path that led to

legal troubles and isolation. In 2019, after my last arrest, I found myself at the CenterPoint

Campus for Hope, not with the intention of long-term sobriety, but just to pass drug tests and

appease the courts. To my surprise, I began to recover.

Enrolling at the University of Nebraska Omaha (UNO) marked a significant milestone in my

journey. However, the routine of meetings and recovery that had been my backbone began to

falter. That was when I found the Collegiate Recovery Community (CRC) at UNO. The CRC,

with its AA meetings, events, and welcoming space, has been instrumental in sustaining my

recovery and overall well-being. The sense of community and support I receive from both the

CRC and AA has been a cornerstone of my success as a student and in maintaining my

sobriety.

I am profoundly grateful to everyone involved in keeping the CRC alive and thriving. The AA

meetings and events have provided me with the support and accountability necessary to stay on

track, and the quiet space has been my sanctuary during challenging times. The CRC has been

an invaluable resource in my recovery journey, and I cannot thank you all enough for the role

you've played in my success.