The Bowen Center for the Study of the Family

The Next Step: Initiatives for the Future
Dear Friends of the Bowen Center,

The Bowen Center is beginning a new five-year campaign entitled *The Next Step: Initiatives for the Future*. The campaign encourages you to make a five-year pledge, which helps the Center plan its finances. Or you can choose to make an annual contribution. The Next Step follows our successful Campaign for the Future. Your contributions there helped us add the technology we now use for webcast training and programming and also provided for the renovation of the classroom and other necessary improvements to our condominium office space.

The addition of nine new faculty members in the last five years has invigorated our programming and allows us to expand our initiatives to put Bowen theory into the world.

Like other educational institutions, which use donations to fund expansion, initiatives, and scholarships, the Bowen Center raises most (82%) of its operating funds through programming. Your donations are essential to making up the remaining 18% difference, including support for our sliding scale clinic, scholarships to our training programs and the publication of *Family Systems*. Donations contribute to outreach to the business world, faith communities, and people in the Spanish speaking world and also support the expansion of Bowen theory through the website and social media.

The Bowen Center depends on your dedication to Bowen theory to continue this work. Please read the initiatives described on the next pages and decide which captures your imagination. Your dedication and contribution is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Director of the Bowen Center
MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Center is to lead the development of Bowen family systems theory into a science of human behavior and to assist individuals, families, communities, and organizations in addressing major life challenges through understanding and improving human relationships. The Center carries out its mission locally, nationally, and internationally through training and online programs, conferences, research, clinical services, website, and publications. The Georgetown Family Center is an educational, research, and clinical center incorporated as a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization in the District of Columbia.

GOALS OF THE CENTER

Maintain and develop practices of scientific inquiry through collaboration and interaction with scientists and active participation in scholarly pursuits.

Contribute to the development of Bowen theory as a science of human behavior through promoting research and writing, fostering thoughtful interchange among Bowen theorists, and maintaining viable contact with the natural sciences.

Contribute to the development of leadership of Bowen theorists locally, nationally, and throughout the world through training and collaboration.

Disseminate Bowen theory and its applications as a resource to address major life challenges for individuals, families, organizations, and communities.

Financially sustain and enhance the Bowen Center and its mission.

Engage with the communities in the Washington/Baltimore area through education and service.
To make Bowen theory more available to Spanish speakers for learning, research, and application, the Center has developed a Spanish language website and published Spanish editions of our books. An online Spanish study group was recently initiated. Further exchange with academic and training institutions is planned.

Training programs in Bowen theory encourage the development of clinical work and leadership in Bowen theory. Your contribution helps make training available to promising young professionals who could not otherwise participate.

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Online digital availability, academic indexing, and the publication of the compilation, *From the Editor*, allow the journal, now in its third decade, to broaden readership and continue exploration of Bowen theory’s applications to research, science, and clinical practice.
**Sliding Scale Clinic**

The Bowen Center offers members of the community affordable clinical services. Interns and Bowen Center clinicians utilize clinical work to share and expand their own thinking and research.

**Online Training and Seminars**

Webcast training and seminars allow the Center to introduce theory and foster professional growth regardless of location. Students of our *Introduction to Bowen Theory* class and subscribers to *Conversations with the Faculty* participate from the US and other countries.

**Website & Social Media Outreach**

The Bowen Center is committed to disseminating Bowen theory in innovative ways, through our website, social media, email newsletter, *Family Matters*, and through video content incorporated into our website and social media.

**Ways of Giving**

The Bowen Center can accept your tax-deductible donation by mail, telephone, or on our website. The enclosed donation envelope offers the option to pay by check or credit card and to make your contribution as a single gift or a yearly pledge. We are also able to assist you with making a gift of stocks or mutual funds. For more information, please contact the Center at 202-965-4400 or info@thebowencenter.org.
The Bowen Center Legacy Program

Please consider naming the Bowen Center for a charitable bequest in your will. You may use the enclosed envelope to inform the Center. To discuss the campaign or donation options, please contact the Center at 202-965-4400 or by email at info@thebowencenter.org.

I have had a bequest to the Bowen Center of several thousand dollars in my will for over twenty years. The world would be a better place if more people were informed of what Bowen theory has to offer in understanding emotional process and relationships. —Florence Kamm

I have used Bowen theory through some of the hardest times in my life. I want it to be available for the future. —Alice M. Wald

I have bequeathed the Bowen Center $5,000. Bowen theory, my Catholic faith, my husband, family, and friends are the great gifts of my life. —Kathleen Cotter Cauley

Discovering and learning about life through the use of Bowen theory since the Fall of 1972 has altered my life course incredibly. Giving a bequest to the Bowen Center is an effort to assure that the work and research will continue through the efforts of so many who have made such remarkable efforts to understand, apply, and research the theory for self and for others to benefit well into the future. —Anne Gordon Curran

I am strongly indebted to Murray Bowen and the Georgetown Family Center where I participated in the training program in the 1970s. Bowen theory has played a big part in my becoming a more mature and successful person. —Clement Grote

Bowen theory has made a tremendous difference in my life. Being associated with people knowledgeable about Bowen theory has been very important to me personally and professionally. I did postgraduate training at the Family Center in the late seventies and then participated in a research seminar at Georgetown. I now attend a Bowen theory seminar in Birmingham where I live. —J. Thompson Brown
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I believe man is moving into crises of unparalleled proportions, that the crises will be different than those he has faced before, that they will come with increasing frequency for several decades, that he will go as far as he can in dealing symptomatically with each crisis, and that a final major crisis will come as soon as the middle of the next century. The type of man who survives that will be one who can live in better harmony with nature.

—Murray Bowen, MD