

# Join The Family Institute at Northwestern University's Legacy Circle

The mission of The Family Institute at Northwestern University is to strengthen and heal children and adolescents, couples, families, and individuals from all walks of life through clinical service, education, and research. Since 1968, The Family Institute has advanced the field of behavioral health through the integration of therapy, education, and research. Recognized internationally as a leader in comprehensive, systemically oriented psychotherapy, The Family Institute provides high-quality care in Chicago, Evanston, and surrounding suburbs, as well as through virtual services.

The Family Institute also teaches and trains the next generation of clinicians through inclusive, research-informed education. Its nationally recognized graduate programs in Marriage and Family Therapy and Counseling combine rigorous academic coursework with hands-on clinical training in relationship-centered behavioral health care.

As an affiliate of Northwestern University, The Family Institute is a distinguished nonprofit organization governed by an independent Board of Directors and committed to advancing the future of the field through excellence in care, education, and research.



**YOUR LEGACY.  
OUR FUTURE.**

## **MAKE AN IMPACT WITH A PLANNED GIFT**

A legacy gift to The Family Institute ensures lasting change. Your generosity expands access to care, equips the next generation of clinicians, and fuels research that shapes the future of therapy.

Lifelong friends of The Family Institute have joined our **Legacy Circle** by making a gift through their estate plan, demonstrating their lasting commitment to The Family Institute at Northwestern University. These gifts provide vital financial support for our mission.

### **Your Planned Gift Will Help Ensure That The Family Institute Can Continue to Provide:**

#### **General Support -**

Help us adapt and grow with unrestricted support.

#### **Bette D. Harris Family & Child Clinic -**

A legacy gift to our Clinic provides essential mental health support to children and adolescents, couples, families and individuals who might not otherwise have access to a therapist.

#### **Scholarship Support -**

We teach and train more than 1,000 students each year in 46 states through our two master's degree programs—Master of Science in Marriage and Family Therapy (MFT) and Master of Arts in Counseling. Northwestern University is a top-tier, private research university that offers a world-class educational and clinical training experience. A gift of a scholarship of any size alleviates the financial burden of our graduates.

- Gift of any size to offset the cost of tuition for our scholars.
- Scholarship Naming Opportunity: A scholarship in the donor's name is available at a minimum of \$150,000.

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## WAYS TO GIVE

**Bequests** - You can include The Family Institute in your will or living trust. This can be a specific gift, a percentage of your estate, or even a particular asset.

**Beneficiary Designations** - You can name The Family Institute as a beneficiary of your retirement plan, life insurance policy or financial accounts. This is a simple way to make a big impact without changing your will.

**Charitable Trusts & Annuities** - Establish a charitable trust or annuity that provides income for you or your loved ones, with the remainder supporting The Family Institute.

**General Support** - Allow us to allocate your gift where it's needed most, giving us the flexibility to respond to changing needs and opportunities within our organization.

## MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Benefits of membership in our Legacy Circle include:

- A dedicated staff member of The Family Institute to keep you informed and answer your questions
- Invitations to an annual gathering with the President & CEO or senior leadership
- Exclusive access to select in-person events and virtual workshops
- Recognition as a Legacy Circle member across select print and digital platforms
- Access to the Legacy Circle Annual Impact Report, highlighting the impact of your future gift
- Concierge access to leading clinicians and thought leaders in the field
- A lasting partnership with The Family Institute to strengthen and heal children and adolescents, couples, families and individuals through clinical service, education, and research



Have you already included  
The Family Institute at Northwestern  
University in your plans?

If so, thank you for your incredible generosity and vision. We would be delighted to welcome you to our Legacy Circle, a community of thoughtful supporters shaping the future of behavioral health. Simply fill out our Legacy Circle membership form or reach out to us at [Advancement@family-institute.org](mailto:Advancement@family-institute.org). If you wish, you may also join anonymously.



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