



*Education Honoree*

**Patricia Jones**

*Founder*

*P.S. I Love You Foundation*

Patricia Jones is the founder of P.S. I Love You Foundation (PSILYF). Founded in 1998, PSILYF is a local grass-roots nonprofit organization that is dedicated to developing and implementing social and emotional learning programs that empower positive attitudes, healthy social connections, well-being, and hope for youth in Los Angeles and surrounding areas. Ms. Jones' inspiration is to bring out the goodness in others and her vision is that every child feels a healthy sense of self, feels loved, and believes they can accomplish great things. She conveys this message in her daily work and has been called upon as a motivational speaker to share her journey.

For over twenty years, she and a team of board members and volunteers provide assistance to approximately 1,500 at-risk youth with programs helping youth live happier and healthier productive lives. Programs include Love4Life, an 18 week social and emotional learning life-skills program for sixth to ninth grade students and Yoga123, a 12-week interactive health and wellness program dedicated to improving the lives of at-risk children through the practice of yoga and the teachings of breathing, physical exercise, emotional strength and mental sharpness.

In addition to her work with PSILYF, Ms. Jones has also worked with Coldwell Banker Forbes/Corrales Real Estate Team in Manhattan Beach for more than 16 years. Ms. Jones was born in Hartford, Connecticut into a tight-knit family of three affectionate sisters and parents that reflected love and taught compassion and trust. She currently is married to her husband of 17 years, Jeff Jones and they are the proud parents of their entertaining, adopted and spirited children Connor, age ten, and Gracie, age eight. Ms. Jones believes that any positive experience for a child, no matter how small, can last a lifetime.

