

**Monique B. Jones, LCSW**  
**President & CEO**  
**Evanston Community Foundation**



**Monique B. Jones** is a visionary leader with an extensive background in mental health, philanthropy, community building and systems change. Monique was appointed President & CEO of Evanston Community Foundation in 2015, making her the second president since its founding in 1986 and the first African American. Early in her career Monique started a conversation about families being intentional with their legacy building. Focused on healing after loss Monique encourages early and often conversations about life assets and planning for the future.

With over 20 years of experience her career and civic interests span the intersections where the lives of those most vulnerable fall victim to structural oppression and inequality. Monique is an influencer in the nonprofit and business sector presenting at conferences on topics focused on organizational management, diversity, equity and inclusion, financial sustainability, and fundraising. As such she is an adjunct instructor in the Kapnick School for Business Institutions at Northwestern University. Locally Monique serves on the board of the Evanston Chamber of Commerce. She also serves on the board of See Chicago Dance and Beacon Academy. Regionally she serves on the Alliance for Illinois Community Foundations board leading efforts to support the advocacy work of foundations. Nationally she serves on the Community Foundations National Standards Board assuring best practice accreditation for community foundations across the United States and Career Girls, Inc.

Monique is a graduate of The University of Arkansas at Fayetteville with a B.A in Social Work and The University of Texas at Austin with a M.S. in Social Work. In her self-care time she enjoys producing her family's podcast: *Creating the Intentional Legacy*, designing jewelry and hanging out with her husband, daughter and yorkie in Chicago, playing golf, reading and jogging.