



AUGUST 2017



ICAN Mission Moment



Over the summer, a group of 3rd-7th grade boys at ICAN participated in "Brain Chase" through Valley of the Sun United Way - each week they were required to complete 4 challenges related to academic or service focused topics. To

finish out our last couple of weeks, two youth - Manuel and Kristian - were tasked with completing a service act in which they must do something for those who are currently experiencing homelessness. They decided (with some help from Mr. Nick!) to donate water bottles to AZCEND, here is their explanation in their own words:

"We donated 120 water bottles to AZCEND. AZCEND is a place where people go for food, shelter, supplies, drinks, and other things. It's for the homeless and for people who need help. We like helping people because not only is it nice it's also the right thing to do. And we like what we did because it feels good to know that you did something good."

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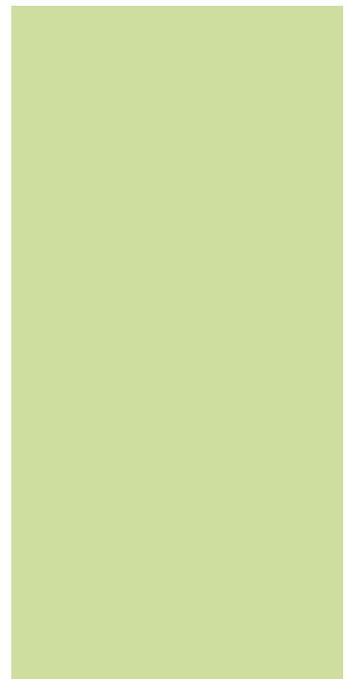
ICAN's Chandler Coalition on Youth Substance Abuse (CCYSA) was part of a group that is being honored with a national award from **SAMHSA** (Substance Abuse Mental Health Service Administration). The group, which included

Valley Hope of Chandler and Chandler PD, coordinated the **“Voices of Hope: Our Families, Our Community, Our Stories and A Focus on Understanding and Hope”** event that took place last September. The application included the following:

“Ted Huntington of Chandler Coalition on Youth Substance Abuse (CCYSA) helped us with the programming strategy by arranging and coordinating the expert speakers. In addition, CCYSA was vital in helping us make a positive impact on our youth.”

Save the Date! 2017 dreamBIG

Mark your calendar for the 2017 dreamBIG - presented by **Big Two Toyota of Chandler** - taking place Friday, December 1st at the Sheraton Grand at Wild Horse Pass.

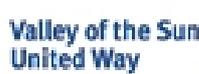


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