



Ted Huntington

**CEO, EMPOWERING
BREAKTHROUGH
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PROGRAMS MANAGER,
ICAN/CCYSA**

Ted Huntington's career path was shaped by his childhood experiences and the people who supported him. There were mental health and substance abuse challenges in his family, that led to him into the foster care system for a period in his life.

"It was faith, family, friends, teachers, coaches, etc. that provided me support tools and compassion," he says.

Huntington has made a career of helping people. He's worked as a police officer and a pastor, while leading multiple task forces and coalitions. He serves as the community programs manager for ICAN: Positive Programs for Youth, where he empowers

teens, parents, and community members with hope, resiliency, and success tools.

He is married to his wife, Maria, and they have four biological adult children, one grandson, and a number of spiritual adult children from a result of pastoring at Sunshine Acres Children's Home in Mesa.

Huntington also serves on Governor Doug Ducey's Youth Prevention Sub-Committee, and the Chandler I Am Project.

Additionally, he and his wife recently launched Empowering Breakthrough, a new business/ministry, of which he is CEO.

"I believe our true character is demonstrated by how we live and others experience us. That is what I would like to be known for," he says.