



Abandoned in a NYC apartment by a teenage mother on drugs, **Shane Salter** was thrust into parenting his infant brother at the age of four. Attempting to overcome the cycle of neglect, becoming a single teen parent exacerbated by growing up in foster care, compelled Salter to dedicate his life to family advocacy, youth justice, community engagement and school support. Today, he continues to build on his experience as an educator, national advocate, consultant, lecturer and public servant, to foster hope for children and families wherever possible. Salter served as former Chief of Staff for Health and Human Services under Mayor Anthony Williams in DC and is the founder of CASA for Children of DC. He's been inducted into the National Fatherhood Hall of Fame, is an Olympic Torchbearer and received an EMMY Award for his contribution to "Keeping Kids Healthy."

As an acclaimed speaker and author, **Shane Salter** addresses topics related to living through and rising beyond, adversity. He also shares his inspirational journey from abandonment to hope and from forgiveness to achievement in his riveting memoir, *Fostering Hope*.

Salter is a veteran of both the US Navy and the US Air Force Reserves. He holds undergraduate degrees in healthcare management and human services from Elmira College and Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, as well as a master's degree in leadership and management from Webster University. Salter currently teaches Business and Computer Technology in Charlotte where he now resides.

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