

Rico Sharp

International Speaker | Leadership Expert | Author | Pastor

"You were born to bring out the best in you, and in others."

With nearly 35 years of transformational experience, I've had the privilege to speak across the world, empowering leaders, students, and organizations to discover their purpose, heal from within, and lead with impact.

BOOK ME TO SPEAK



From Adversity to Authority

My journey began in the most unexpected place, behind prison walls in 1993. Once caught in addiction, incarceration, and homelessness, I experienced a complete rebirth that reshaped my purpose.

Today, I'm a leadership coach to executives, a mentor to NBA and NFL athletes, and a guide to students and educators across the nation.

My life is living proof that redemption, resilience, and faith can transform any story into purpose.

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Author & Curriculum Creator

I've written and developed transformational resources designed to help others grow in purpose and leadership:

Bringing Out the Best in You

A groundbreaking book on leadership and personal growth.

Bringing Out the Best in You: Companion Workbook

A 15-chapter guide with actionable leadership exercises.

Breaking the Silence, Stopping the Violence

Addressing school violence and emotional healing.

Leading with Purpose, Passion, and Impact



Curriculums created

I design and deliver leadership curriculums that empower individuals and organizations to grow from the inside out.

- Leadership for Educators
- HR Leadership Development
- Sales & Customer Service Mastery
- College Leadership & Student Empowerment

Founder of The Best You Leadership Academy

Through The Best You Leadership Academy, I guide emerging leaders in discovering their strengths, defining their purpose, and leading with authenticity.

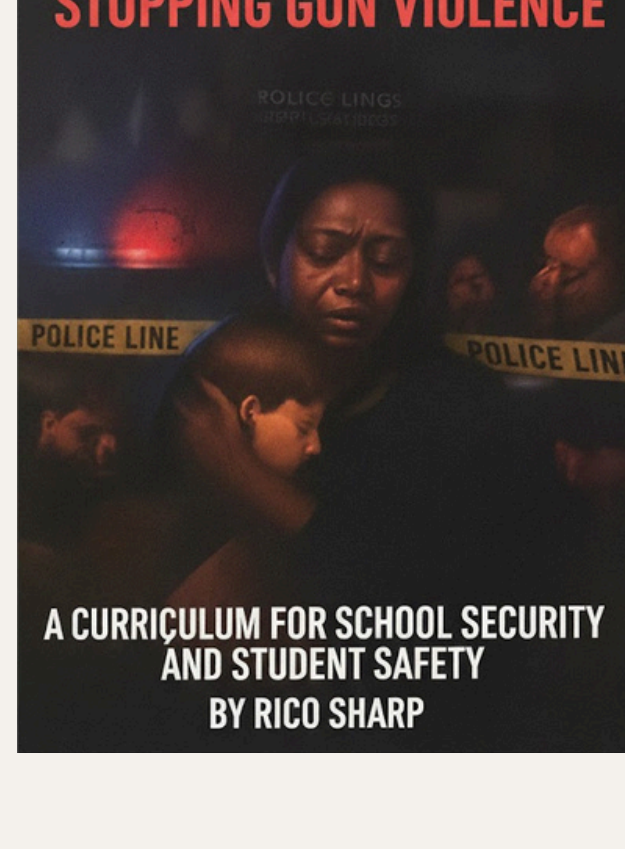
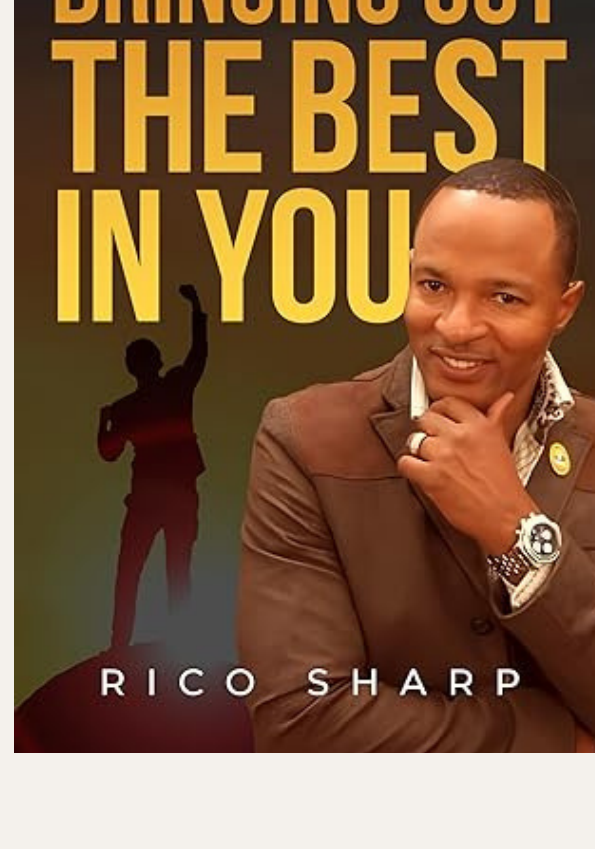
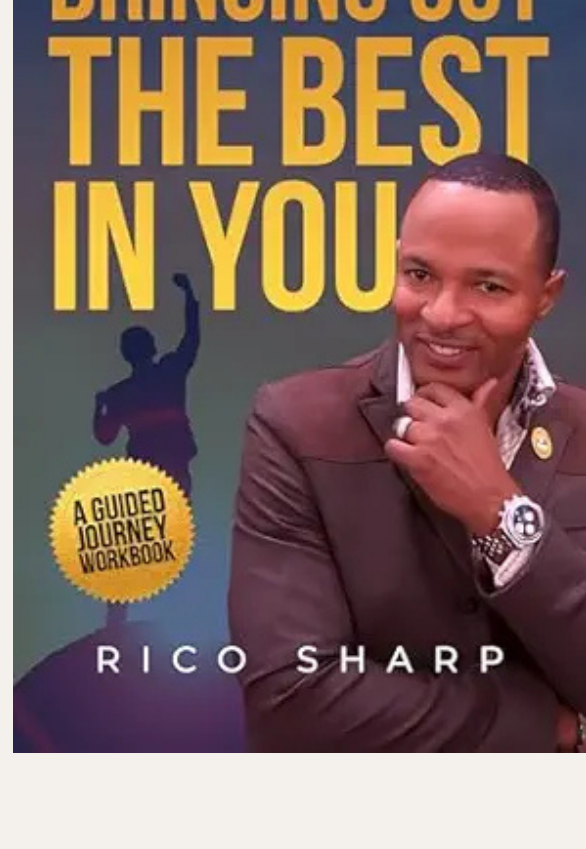
Our programs help professionals and students alike cultivate self-awareness, character, and clarity of direction.

Creator – Student Lives Matter & Teachers Lives Matter

These two nonprofit movements were founded to protect, empower, and uplift the voices of students and educators nationwide.

Together, we continue to drive transformation and create safer, more compassionate schools and communities.

Published Works



Partnerships & Notable Work

- Mentor to NBA & NFL athletes
- Leadership training for federal government departments
- Keynote speaker for school districts nationwide

- Content creator across major social platforms
- Former TV Host on The Word Network & Good Life 45
- Orlando Magic Partnership — Student Lives Matter Magic Night

Areas of Expertise

- Leadership Development
- Teacher Wellness & Educational Leadership
- Trauma-Informed Leadership
- Public Speaking & Professional Communication
- Emotional Wellness & Mental Health Support

- Corporate Communication & Culture Change
- Personal Growth & Purpose Discovery
- Student Motivation & Behavior Transformation
- High-Performance Coaching
- Community Engagement & School Safety

Movements & Organizations Founded

Student Lives Matter

A national movement dedicated to school safety, student empowerment, trauma awareness, and violence prevention.

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The Best Speaker Agency

A global speaker development and representation agency created to elevate impactful communicators.

The Best You Leadership Academy

A 35-module leadership pathway helping individuals grow in purpose, discipline, character, communication, and emotional intelligence.

"The Best In You" Speakers Academy

A premier communication training program for emerging and established speakers.

Signature Speaking Topics

- Bringing Out the Best in You — Purpose & Leadership
- Resilience, Redemption & Personal Transformation
- Breaking the Silence, Stopping the Violence
- Trauma-Informed Leadership for Schools & Organizations
- Emotional Intelligence for High-Impact Leaders
- Communication Mastery for Professionals
- Student Motivation & Behavior Transformation

Speaking Experience & Videos



View Rico's speaking engagements, school assemblies, leadership trainings, and motivational clips:

YouTube: @ricosharpmotivations

Let's Bring Out the Best in You

Whether you're an educator, executive, student, or community leader, I'm here to help you discover your power and purpose.

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