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Andy Hightower has been employed with the Alton Housing Authority since 1999 and is the agency's Executive Director. He also serves on the Alton Branch NAACP's Executive Committee, Madison County Urban League Board of Directors and Parliamentarian for the 100 Black Men of Alton. Andy has received many awards for his service to various communities throughout the years. He is a product of the Alton Public School System. He continued his education at Illinois State University, Normal, Illinois and Minneapolis Community College, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

After moving back to the Alton area, he has continued to have a positive impact on the lives of community youth by collaborating with a variety of agencies/organizations to develop and implement several youth programs. These programs include the Youth Equals Success (Y.E.S.), Future All-stars, Girls Learning and Developing (G.L.A.D.), Camera Club, Alton Housing Authority After School Tutorial, AHA Boy/Cub Scout Troops and the AHA Computer Technology Center. Andy is most proud of the AHA After School Tutorial Program which is a collaborative effort between the Alton School District, Madison County Urban League and Alton Housing Authority, because he knows that the key to success starts in the classroom, and we must put forth the extra effort to afford every child an equal opportunity in life.

Andy and his beautiful wife Charlotte reside in Alton with their two children, Karonja and Jeanen. He is the proud son of Tom and Dasie Robinson who instilled in all eight of their children that the foundation of prayer, hard work and a good education will lead to success.