

Amber Smith is the president and CEO of the Tucson Metro Chamber. In her role, she leads the Tucson Metro Chamber in implementing the goals and visions of the Chamber's Board of Directors to champion an environment where business thrives and the Tucson community prospers. Focusing on growing business through workforce development, talent attraction, and public policy, the Tucson Metro Chamber is a strong community partner focused on making Tucson the ideal destination for business success. Amber's goal is to lower the amount of poverty in Tucson by growing businesses.

A government relations professional by trade, Amber's strength is building relationships between the public and private sector, while identifying ways to collaborate and partner to achieve mutually beneficial goals. Amber began her career working for Senator McCain where she became adept at retaining professionalism and decorum while navigating difficult and controversial policy matters.

Amber represented the real estate and land use industry on policy matters first as a lobbyist for homebuilders and developers and then for Metropolitan Pima Alliance (MPA). MPA's foundation is creating balanced land use policies that stimulate economic development and reasonably preserves our natural environment. Amber has continued that philosophy of finding common ground through her work at the Tucson Metro Chamber.

A Texas native, Amber moved to Tucson to attend the University of Arizona and graduated with a degree in Political Science and a Masters in Public Administration from Eller College. Married to a second-generation Tucsonan, Amber's husband Robert is a Tucson Fire Department Captain, who also owns a small business. Amber and Robert have three young sons, 11 goats, four dogs, three donkeys and some chickens and they enjoy the quiet life on their small ranch.