



HOW YOU CHANGE LIVES WITH UNITED WAY

BRANDON'S FAMILY MOVED TO FAIRVIEW FROM A DIFFERENT STATE WHEN HE WAS IN 7TH GRADE.

The family had been homeless for a time after his mother removed Brandon and his siblings from a living situation where he was being abused. Once the family was in Fairview, his grandmother strongly encouraged Brandon to start going to the Boys & Girls Club. At first reluctant, Brandon was warmly welcomed into the group and began participating in activities. Overtime the club became his second home and he started mentoring other kids. Brandon successfully graduated

from high school- the first in his family to do so. He's attending Columbia State and holds down two jobs - one as a teacher's assistant and the other working for the Boys & Girls Club.

