

**UNITED WAY OF BROOME COUNTY**



Agency Name: Boys & Girls Club of Western Broome, Inc.

Program Name: Drop-in Care Program

Program Success Story:

There are three brothers who began coming to our program about a year and a half ago. Their family is originally from Armenia, so English is their second language. Attending our program has given these boys a safe place to practice their second language other than just at school. Over the past year we have also seen great improvement in the social skills and sociability of these boys. Their interactions with their peers, as well as staff, have improved in a tremendous way. At first, the youngest brother had a very difficult time adapting to the rules of our program, to the point of a week's suspension from the program. But his behavior has progressively improved as time passed and as staff members have developed relationships with these boys. The boys have now begun to share their Kurdish culture with our staff members by teaching them some of the Kurdish language. We are thrilled to have these brothers in our program.