



Michael Giordano: Overcoming hardships to achieve success and give back to the community

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After losing his father in an industrial accident at age four, Michael Giordano struggled through school until he dropped out at 17.

He volunteered his time with the local Neighbourhood Watch program, and opened a new snack bar in the Roding Community Centre, providing food and beverages to local sports teams. Giordano enrolled to continue his education at Monsignor Fraser College Alternative and Adult Secondary School, where he graduated as valedictorian in grade 12. After passing the LSAT he obtained a law degree from the University of Ottawa, and after working for a law firm for eight years, opened his own personal injury practice in September 2015. Not one to forget his roots, Giordano established an award for selected grade 12 students at Monsignor Fraser College Alternative and Adult Secondary School for post-secondary education. Giordano exemplifies how a young child from a struggling single-parent family with no financial assistance can overcome and achieve success.



Michael Giordano have been selected as a Urban Hero in the sports category.